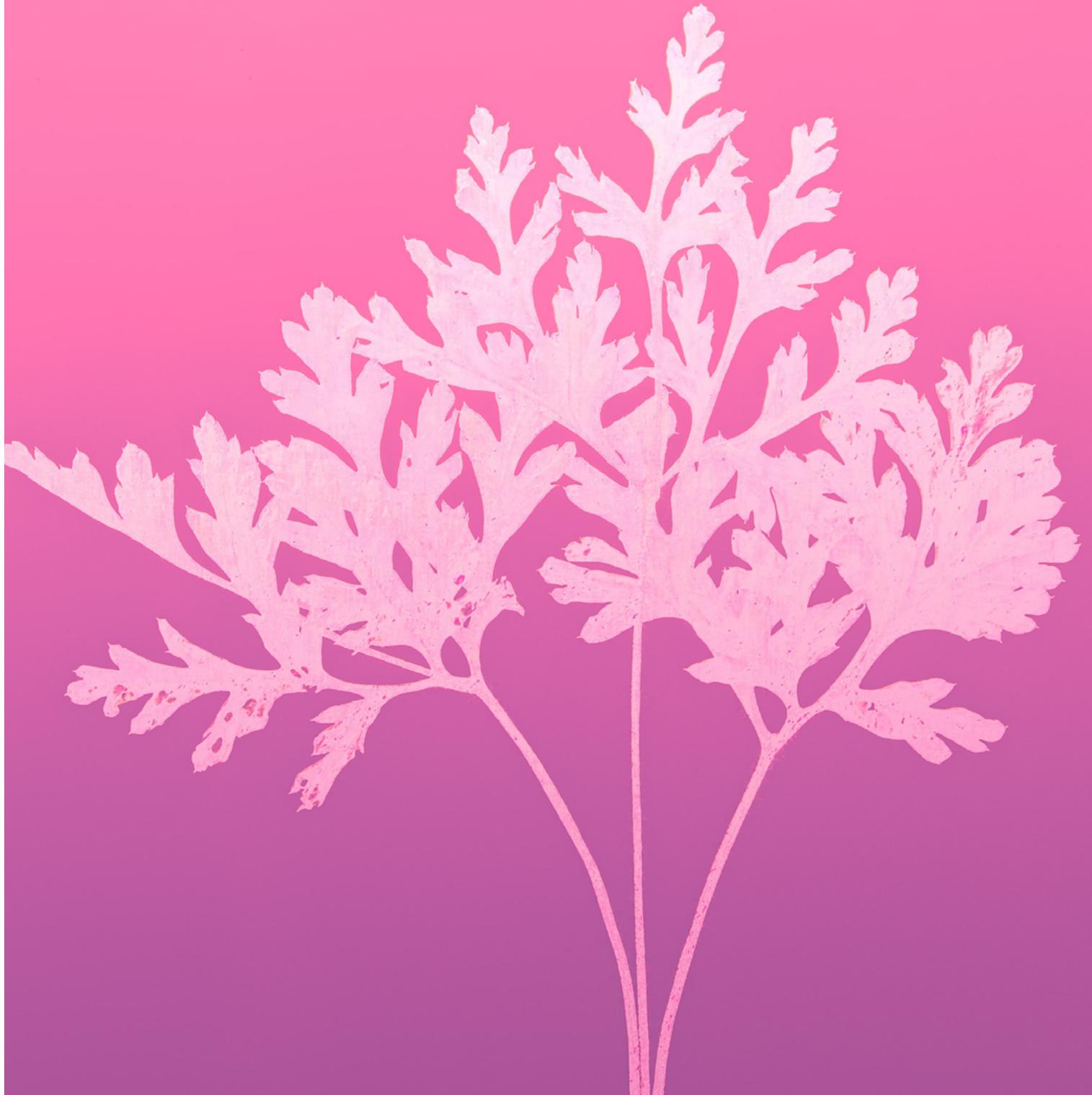


"What Need One?"

Sunday, March 26, 10:50 AM, 2023

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco





Order of Service
Sunday March 26, 2023
10:50 AM - 12:15 PM

Livestreamed at bit.ly/uusfmedia

New to UUSF? Complete Our Connections form at <https://bit.ly/uuconnections2023>

Welcome to the Worship!

Please stay masked during the Worship Service and maintain social distance.

After service we invite you to convene for coffee hour in the Courtyard or Gallery.

Please be mindful of social distance and wear your mask when you are not eating or drinking.
Choir members who sing without masks as well as anyone who speaks during the worship service on the Chancel have already been tested for Covid-19.

Prelude *Sinfonia* from Cantata 156
 Andante Cantabile

Johann Sebastian Bach
Cesar Franck
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

Welcome and Announcements

Daniel Jackoway, Worship Associate

Unison Chalice Lighting

We light this chalice for the light of truth,
the warmth of love,
and the fire of commitment.
We light this symbol of our faith
as we gather together.

*Hymn 360

Here We Have Gathered

OLD 124th

[\(CLICK HERE OR TURN TO PAGE 6 TO VIEW HYMN\)](#)

Congregation

We will! We not only welcome you, but also promise to nurture you and support your journey, providing our friendship, sharing our life experiences, inviting your questions and stepping into what life together and the world will ask of us. With eagerness and expectation, we look forward to working alongside you and building our beloved community together. Welcome home!

New Members

Eagerly and with enthusiasm we bring to this place our gifts and talents, life experience and wisdom, questions and challenges. We look forward to being co-creators of this beloved community and serving its mission with joy.

Greeting One Another

Unison Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.

****Doxology**

TALLIS' CANON

From all that dwell be - low the skies; let songs of hope and
De to - dos ba - jo el gran sol; sur - ja, es - pe - ran - za

5
faith a - rise; Let peace, good - will on earth be sung through
fé, a - mor; ver - dad, y be - lle - za can - tan - do, de

8
ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.
ca - da tie - rra, ca - da voz. A - men.

Reflection

Jordan Ong

PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leaders

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister
Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life
Daniel Jackoway, Worship Associate
Jordan Ong, Canvass Testimony

Sunday Support

Shulee Ong; Eric Shackelford; Jackson Munn,
Livestream Cameras
Jonathan Silk, Communications Director

Joe Chapot, Live Chat Moderator
Athena Papadacos, Flowers
Linda Messner, Head Usher

Musicians

Reiko Oda Lane, Organist
Mark Sumner, Music Director
UUSF Choir
Bill Ganz, Pianist



We're Having A Coffee Hour To Celebrate, And We Want You To Join Us!

"Welcome. Thank you. Blessings." This is the theme of today's coffee hour. We are welcoming our new members. We are thanking all of you who pledged -- for all you do. And we are thanking and giving our blessings to Joe Chapot on this next chapter of his life. Joe served UUSF in various capacities, coordinating our Young Adult programming, later being the administrative support for our programs and ministers and now he is moving on to the next adventure. This is a time to celebrate together so come join us after worship today!

OFFERTORY

Center for Farmworker Families.

Our offering this week is for those farmworkers who were hurt in many ways by the flooding recently in Pajaro, California. Ann Lopez, longtime friend of member Bruce Neuburger, leads the organization which is based in Watsonville. Ann has been doing work among farmworkers for decades. As of last week thousands of farmworkers had been displaced by the floods. Most of those who are being affected by the flooding are strawberry and vegetable workers. They suffered damage to their homes and cars and are also suffering from lack of work (and income) due to the unusually cold weather, heavy rains and flooding in the fields. You can go to the website (<https://farmworkerfamily.org/>) for more information or to donate directly or give through UUSF and we will offer a gift from the community here. There are other agencies in the area helping with housing, food, and so on. But there are still plenty of needs that are not being met which is where we step in. Thank you for your contribution to help these families in need. Help us help the good people who help put food on our tables!

360 Here We Have Gathered

$\text{♩} = 76$

1. Here we have gath - ered, gath - ered side by side;
 2. Here we have gath - ered, called to cel - e - brate
 3. Life has its bat - tles, sor - rows, and re - gret:

cir - cle of kin - ship, come and step in - side!
 days of our life - time, mat - ters small and great:
 but in the shad - ows, let us not for - get:

May all who seek here find a kind - ly
 we of all a - ges, wom - en, chil - dren,
 we who now gath - er know each oth - er's

word; may all who speak here
 men, in - fants and sa - ges,
 pain; kind - ness can heal us:

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 Music: Genevan psalter, 1543

OLD 124TH
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ENTRANCE SONGS

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Lean on Me

$\text{♩} = 88$

F B \flat F

1. Some - times in our lives _____ we all have pain, _
 2. Please swal - low your pride _____ if I have things. _
 3. If there is a load _____ you have to bear _

C7

— we all have sor - row. _
 — you need to bor - row, _
 — that you can't car - ry, _

F B \flat F

But if we are wise _____ we know that there's. _
 For no one can fill _____ those of your needs. _
 I'm right up the road, _ I'll share your load. _

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Lean on Me - 2

C F

al - ways to - mor - row.
that you won't let show. Lean on me
if you just call me.

Gm Am7 B \flat C F

when you're not strong - and I'll be your friend,

C

I'll help you car - ry - on,

Lean on Me - 3

F Gm Am7 Bb C F

For it won't be long — 'til I'm gon-na need —

C7 1, 2 F

— some-bod - y to lean — on. —

No chords Clap on the off beat simile

3 F

on. — Just call on me broth - er when

Lean on Me - 4

you need a hand. — We all — need some-bod-y to lean —

— on. I just might have a prob-lem that

you'd un-der-stand. — We all — need some-bod-y to lean — on. —

UUSF Annual Operating Fund Pledge Drive for 2023-24

It's Pledge Season! All March is the UUSF Annual Operating Fund Pledge Drive for 2023-24. Members, friends, and visitors alike make financial commitments to our community, enabling our ministry to flourish. Learn more about the drive at the Pledge Table in the gallery, after worship. To make your pledge go to <https://bit.ly/pledgeuusf2023>



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MAKE IT A
BANNER YEAR!

UUSF ANNUAL CANVASS 2023-24



Events, Meetings & Volunteer Opportunities (www.uusf.org/news)

TODAY

Forum - Sunday, March 26, 9:00 am TSK Room/Zoom (<https://bit.ly/forum-3-26-23>)

UUSF Sunday Forum is pleased to host Gregory Stevens' workshop, Solutions are Already Here: Hope for Ecological Renewal. Gregory Stevens is a one of our newest members at UUSE, and works for California Interfaith Power and Light, helping inter-religious groups across California engage in ecologically resilient technology for their facilities. He is committed to provide practical solutions to our daily problems but realizes that climate change is a powerful reality.

Art Goes to Sunday School!

Today during Sunday School, Andrei Glase, the curator of our art show, is teaching a chalk drawing workshop in the Art Room. Andrei promises to add this workshop's chalk drawings to the Art at Your Feet exhibit currently on display in the Kings' rooms.

UPCOMING

White Allies Meeting - Thursday, March 30 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Fireside Room

Our gathering after church on Sunday, February 26 was a very fruitful conversation. Thank you to all who came. In general we imagine that Sundays after church will be easier for folks to show up for. However, late March and early April after service are spoken for -- welcome to post-pandemic times! So, rather than go too long, we thought we'd schedule a meeting for a weeknight evening. We'll have some light dinner fare available so folks can know their blood sugar will be maintained at a fruitful level. We'll publish more details in the weeks ahead. Bring yourself and your questions and thoughts, hopes and ideas.

Passover Seder - Friday, April 7 @ 6:30 pm, TSK Room - SIGN UP: <https://bit.ly/uusfseder2023>

Join us in celebrating freedom, exploring the connection between ancient ritual and modern liberation struggles, singing, and enjoying a delicious potluck dinner. All ages are welcome! We will provide chicken, wine, and traditional Passover food, including matzo and matzo ball soup. Please bring a dish to share if you are able. Suggested donation is \$10 per person, but no one will be turned away for lack of funds. If you are willing to lend a hand, please contact **Eric Shackelford** at eshack@gmail.com or stop by the Seder table in the Gallery after service on Sunday or you can sign up online at <https://bit.ly/uusfseder2023>

Adult Spiritual Growth Classes (www.uusf.org/are)

Ups and Downs for UUs in San Francisco

Economic and cultural high points and valleys with lessons for resilience and the future.

Led by Rev. Dr. John A. Buehrens - Register Now at <https://bit.ly/jbuuclass2023>

John recently published "A Religious Center with a Civic Circumference: Unitarians in San Francisco Since 1850," a book about the history of the first liberal church on the Pacific Coast, its influential members, ministers, and civic impact which is now available for purchase at <https://bit.ly/uusfbook>.

This is a six-part class for UUSF members and friends will be offered on Zoom on Mondays from 7pm-8:30pm beginning Apr 3 and running through May 8. Register at <https://bit.ly/jbuuclass2023>



April Minister's Book Poetry Group - A Celebration of Poetry: What's Fresh?!

Led by Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister - Register at <https://bit.ly/MBG2023>

In April we will have two sessions in which we gather to celebrate poetry. Vanessa encourages you to find and bring a poem you love by a poet whose voice you think feels fresh and new. You can look online to the poetry foundation, see who is a poet laureate in our nation (or another) or of our state (or another), or head to your local bookstore for a recommendation. Bring one to share. Feel free to come both days for this month's book group!

Wednesday, April 26, 6:30-8 pm or Thursday, April 27, noon-1:30 pm



Morning Meditation

Tuesdays & Thursday, 8-8:30 am (<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75735734442#success>)

A simple, centering loving kindness meditation practice which is appropriate for all religious backgrounds and levels of meditation

Equanimity Practice

Fridays, 8-8:30 am (<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75735734442#success>)

A meditation practice on cultivating equanimity—that is, accepting the reality of life's highs and lows and developing an attitude of peaceful calm abiding throughout the inevitable changes.

Livin' Out Loud: Faithful Fools 25th Anniversary Celebration - Sat, Apr. 1 at 6:00 pm at UUSF/Livestream

TICKETS & INFO: <https://www.faithfulfools.org/livin-out-loud> / LIVESTREAM: <https://bit.ly/april23fools>

We came to the Tenderloin 25 years ago to LIVE OUT LOUD!!! And we've been doing that ever since. Through hard times and good times, with friends and neighbors, we've been livin' out loud and it's time to celebrate all those years and all of you. Decades of social and political struggles are visible in the streets and in the lives of people all around us and all around you, too. And just as brilliantly visible is the light, courage, strength, creativity and deep actions of the people we encounter who share this commitment to life in all its messy, glorious color. So, put April 1st on your calendar right away, let us know you are coming, and get ready to raise the roof with song, dance, poetry, and all manner of performance. The show begins at 7:00 pm, but the doors will open to welcome you at 6:00 pm. We'll be at the Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco and we hope you will be too. Questions? Stop by our table after church in the Gallery.

You're invited to the ordination of Meg McGuire! - Sunday, April 16 at 2:00, Sanctuary/Livestream

INFO: <https://bit.ly/meg23ord> / LIVESTREAM: <https://bit.ly/uusfmeg2023>



On Sunday April 16 at 2:00 pm, our former ministerial intern Meg McGuire will be jointly ordained into the Unitarian Universalist ministry by UUSF and her home congregation in Columbus.

The ordination will be held at UUSF, with a reception to follow, as well as available by livestream.

RSVPs are appreciated, but not required (<https://bit.ly/meg23ord>)

Welcome to the First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco

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OUR SOCIETY'S VISION

We, The First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco, delight in our authentic, inclusive congregation that reaches across generations, ethnicities, and differences. We take care of one another, building spiritual community, knowing that we are stronger and accomplish more together. Guided by our responsibility to future generations, we take leadership in shaping a compassionate, sustainable world. Inspired by our courageous heritage and compelled by conscience, we hold one another accountable to work for racial, environmental, and economic justice and the dignity and rights of all.

OUR SOCIETY'S MISSION

As a vibrant, joyous, caring, inclusive community of diverse people, we create a nurturing space for spiritual growth and learning. Based on our shared values, we work together courageously and publicly for human rights, economic justice, and environmental salvation.

UUSF MEDIA

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Visit <https://bit.ly/ServicesUUSF> to listen to our complete service podcasts

Watch our videos at <http://www.youtube.com/c/UUSFMedia>

Go to our website at <https://www.uusf.org/>

From Special Creation to Kin: How Scientific and Indigenous Understandings Call Us to a New Relationship with Nature

Sunday, March 19, 10:50 am

WATCH LAST WEEKS SERVICE: <https://bit.ly/03-19-23-UUSF>