



Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis (UUCD)
Summer Journal – July & August

Summer Sunday Worship, 10am Only

July 3, 10am, *“To Creed or Not to Creed, That is the Question” With apologies to Shakespeare!* John Ashby; Amanda Caudle, Worship Associate. UU famously does not have a formal Creed, or do we? Most denominations have (or had) a specific creed one has to agree with. The range of theologies acceptable in UU has waxed and waned over time. How did this vary, where are we now, and why does it matter so much? *Hint: it does!*

July 10, 10am, *Life Lessons Not Learned at School, Church, or the Dinner Table;* Milt Hildebrand, Founding Member; Karen Klussendorf, Worship Associate. Milt delivers the seventh of his eight annual sermons. Milt has learned his most vital lessons through silence, observation, and discernment. Karen will nudge him to share his most poignant stories via interview and reflection. Milt’s wit and wisdom are not to be missed! *Milt intends to retire from the lecture/sermon sector on his 100th birthday.*

July 17, 10am, *Dumbledore’s Army;* Rev. Dr. Leisa Huyck. In the face of catastrophic climate change, mass extinction, and vicious hatred of anyone deemed to be “other,” how do we awaken the courageous love that can save life on Earth? How can we be effective instead of utterly overwhelmed?

Rev. Dr. Leisa Huyck was an ecologist for 20 years before becoming a minister. She is called to help our culture make the spiritual transformation we need to live on Earth sustainably, with love and justice for all.

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July 24, 10am, *Beloved Conversations—Developing Tools to Heal the Wounds of Racism;* Class Participants: Barbara Clutter, Sharon Hale, Donna Sachs, Julie Schoeber, Mari Perla, Alexandra Lee-Jobe, Emily Burstein, Tim Burkhardt, Stefan Harvey, Robin Dattel. From January-May, congregants from our church and the UU Society of Sacramento participated in the Beloved Conversations program, which was facilitated by Tim Burkhardt, Rev. Beth, and the USS ministers. This curriculum enabled us to create space in which we could trust and be trusted. In this protected space, we reflected on past and present manifestations of racism and ethnic prejudice, focusing on our own examined and unexamined cultural biases. We are eager to communicate some of our learnings. After the service, we invite you to share your response with us in the Senghas Room. (Bring a sandwich or snack if you like.) Quilt Blessing for Progress Ranch resident.

July 31, 10am, *The Red Thread of Desire*; Kirk Ridgeway; Carlana Wike, Worship Associate. We are creatures of desire. Its fire is a blessing and a curse. And the hoped for satisfaction of our desires drives our lives. Do we really know what our deepest desires are? How do we use desire in the service of a wholesome life, a life of love and compassion?

11:15am Goodbye Party for Interim Lifespan Learning Director, Adrean Dills.

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August 7, 10am, *Justice, Equity, and Compassion are Verbs*; John Ashby; Alexandra Lee –Jobe, Worship Associate. "Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations" is our 2nd principle. Theories, thoughts, and theologies about the sources of "ethical" behavior are all over the map. Might there be an Ethical "Muscle" and—if so—how do we exercise it?

August 14, 10am; *The Periodic Table of Character*; Rev. Beth Banks; Stacie Frerichs, Worship Associate. Do you wonder what we can do to maintain balance in this high anxiety election year? We have superpowers to affect ourselves and an ever-widening circle of people and institutions around us. How is it that we are infused with such power? Come find out. After the worship service, you're invited to reserve 45 minutes for an interactive activity and discussion.

August 21, 10am, *And . . . We're Off!* Revs. Beth Banks & Morgan McLean; Autumn Labbé-Renault, Worship Associate. Beth and Morgan have been working together 21 days and will share some of what they've discovered. The homilies might draw from the rich resources of the national UU General Assembly conference, or their experiences so far together as clergy, or hopes for the future.

Special Collection – Nominate a Non-Profit! – 3rd Sunday Special Collections Nominations for 2016-17 are now being collected and are due by July 31. For an application, contact office@uudavis.org or print one from our website: http://www.uudavis.org/PDFs/Give_SpecialCollectionNominationForm.pdf

Welcome Rev. Morgan McLean: All-church gathering. 4pm, Social Hall.

August 28, 10am, *Our World Turns on This Question*; Ben Bazor, Ellie Norris, Tamara Range, Bob Hathaway, Stacie Frerichs, Merri Lee. It can take a year for a congregation to get to know a team of Worship Associates (WA), OR you can come to this service: held right after an intensive WA Training weekend. This will give you the opportunity to look through a window into the hearts and minds of WA on a particular subject. The focus will be revealed to them in the course of the training. Their reflections will be hot off the press.

Fun fact: Approximately 55 people have been Worship Associates in our congregation.

September 4, 10am, *See a Penny, Pick it Up, All the Day You'll Have Good Luck!* John Ashby; Bob Hathaway; Worship Associate. Our US Treasury keeps threatening to stop making pennies as they cost MORE than a penny to make. A penny can't make a difference, can it? This Labor Day we look at pennies: sometimes every penny counts, even if it isn't a lucky penny; we look at the minimum wage and California's aim at \$15. I still pick up pennies. Do you?

September 11: Return to TWO SERVICES 9:30 & 11:15am

(second service is All Ages)

Ingathering Water Communion

Please bring water representing
the place you found sustenance in the summer months.
Every year we use this Sunday to pause and ask ourselves,
"How have I changed?"

We then take the water we've gathered and bless our thirsty grounds.

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