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Suzey, Nancy, Mary Mary, and Deb in waiting room at adoption finalization hearing 2/1

“Your Six Words on Race”:

Sharing Our Contributions to

First Unitarian’s “Race Card Project”

by the Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones

Author-journalist Michele Norris created The Race Card Project in 2010 to “help foster a candid dialogue about race.” Repurposing what is usually a negative term—“race card”—the project’s website now includes thousands of moving entries. You can take a look at theracecard-project.com.

Inspired by The Race Card Project and by our Unitarian Universalist kin in Davis who also took up the challenge, in January we here at the First Unitarian Church of San José hung flipchart sheets in the Ramsden Fireside Room and invited members, friends, and guests to post index cards with their own “six words on race.” We asked, “What are your experiences, questions, hopes, dreams, laments, or observations about race and identity? And how would you distill those thoughts into a sentence with just six words?”

As you read through the 57 offerings listed here, imagine the human stories behind each one. How do your thoughts and experiences about race expand through engaging in this Beloved Conversation?

- *America’s original sin, Racism, lives on*
- *Little Spanish. Immigrant Father. Really Hispanic?*
- *Trapped in the old racial hierarchy*
- *Do I have a funny name?*
- *My sons are precious, not threats.*
- *Assimilating apparently means becoming WHITE.*
- *not just skin color, also culture*

- *I benefited from voluntary desegregation, 1967-1971.*
- *Not taught native tongue: pain inherited. My parents didn’t teach me Spanish because of the pain they faced as kids, but I feel alienated.*
- *pink & brown like everyone else*
- *raised with protection/prejudice*
- *now aware how I’ve benefited from systemic white privilege*
- *Straight, white male allies are awesome! ... and we are lucky to have many here at FUCSJ*
- *I worry about my Black cousins’ safety.*
- *Mexican-American. The bridge? The chasm?*
- *Struggling with my natural born privilege.*
- *Whatever the shade, EVERYBODY LIKES PIE.*
- *“You don’t look Mexican.” I mean that as a compliment.*
- *surprising people: “No God but Allah”*
- *Nature’s Palette: my beautiful RAINBOW family*
- *Addressing Race must also include heart to heart connections with those who are not intellectual middle persons. We also need to appreciate the gifts the folks can offer UUs.*
- *I understand why you’d be afraid of me #brownpeople*
- *judging all based on some = FALLACY*
- *I remember that “Black Is Beautiful.”*
- *Race—As in race-way: a narrowing down or channeling.*
- *I claim my identities as infinite ∞.*
- *I have experienced “Driving While Black”*
- *Don’t treat me like a freak. It’s OK to be curious, but don’t act like I’m a talking octopus.*
- *Mainstreamed but bullied, not fully included.*
- *Racial profiling happening to stranger in my neighborhood.*
- *We speak English ... learning Spanish.*
- *My white privilege clouds my perceptions.*
- *Natural dislike – difference*
- *Overcoming – Humanity/God*
- *Race is only skin deep ... you!*
- *Accentuate similarities, Tolerate differences, Stimulate understanding*
- *My white skin colors my thinking.*
- *Live the truth: race doesn’t matter. (Be radical. Make it so!)*
- *Once I learned I wasn’t white ...*
- *WE ARE ONE IN GOD’S EYES.*
- *Why does this still have to be an issue? I know the answer—I just don’t like the reason.*
- *Living spirits all, embodied by chance. (we are all the same inside, and we do not get to choose our ancestors)*
- *Daughter never mentioned he’s black. Growth. :-)*
- *Transgender black women still face lynchings :-)*
- *“I will make my solidarity visible”*
- *Black lives morphing into all lives*
- *The Golden Rule Does Not Discriminate*
- *Ignorance feeds fear, feeds racism, feeds ...*
- *Learning to listen. Listening to learn.*
- *Why don’t THEY pull up their pants. Victim Blaming*
- *White skin, but not Northern European.*
- *In this context blindness is healthy*
- *Such a diverse community, so lucky!*
- *We are All the HUMAN RACE*
- *A Human invention causing much grief.*
- *“We the people”: Inalienable Rights – Unity*
- *I tanned easily as a child.*
- *Why is race so overwhelmingly important?*
- *WAKING UP! Going to STAY WOKE!*



March Theme: Refilling the Well

We Are Enough: How Healing Begins

by the Reverend Nancy Palmer Jones

Please: Stop for a moment.

Breathe.

Rest.

For these few minutes, watching the words scroll across your screen or holding this journal in your hand, you do not need to “do” anything more than open yourself to this instant. Let the words roll or tumble or stroll into your mind and heart. If something interests or inspires you, that’s lovely. If not, that’s OK, too.

These moments of rest are yours. A time to remember that we—all of us—already are enough. Sure, we all want to continue to grow—at least, I hope we do! Yet who we are right now, just as we are—that’s good. That’s enough.

No need to beat ourselves up for mistakes we have made or for what we have yet to do.

No reason at all to believe the great lie that you may have heard someplace—that you are not as beautiful, loving, and lovable as you truly are.

Right here and now, see yourself as a sponge, soaking up these words, these true words:

You, I, we are enough.

We are enough.

Breathe.

Rest.

Let a smile play across your lips.

Or not.

We are enough.

We humans—especially we humans living in this valley—harm ourselves when we absorb the messages of our larger society, messages that say we are not

enough. Sometimes we ourselves double-down on the harm of not-enoughness—by working ourselves into the ground, or by pumping up our ego in compensation, or by hurting our relationships through lack of care, understanding, and simple presence. Sometimes it’s our situation that double-downs on the harm, such as when a lack of resources or unjust and oppressive systems make it impossible for us to rest if we hope to keep ourselves and our loved ones housed and fed.

We need to understand these harms and their sources in order to reconnect with our deepest, most abiding sources of replenishment.

Our congregants’ range of responses to this month’s theme of “Refilling the

Well” offer suggestions for healing. You can see many of these responses in “In Our Own Voices” in this issue. I confess: I’m the one who writes, “I know all too well those moments when my spiritual and emotional well runs dry. Would it

be possible to keep my water jugs fairly full all the time, or am I destined to lurch from oasis to oasis, gulping thirstily at the things that replenish me?” Would my stores of spiritual water run low if I really had the assurance—which Unitarian Universalism offers—that I am already enough?

Some congregants’ responses refer to literal water. In our drought-stricken state

(multiple meanings intended), the longing for cool, refreshing, clean water in abundant quantities lies just below the surface of our conscious thoughts and feelings—except when it bubbles over into active anxiety.

We are afraid that there isn’t enough.

“It’s interesting to think of the literal meaning of ‘refilling the well,’” one congregant writes. “A well is not like a glass or a reservoir that needs to be refilled. A well is presumably refilled by the Earth if humans haven’t drawn too much from the aquifer. Following that view of the phrase, you could talk about stopping whatever harmful things we’re doing and then allowing the well to refill (or heal) naturally. Would it help if we used that as a meta-

“We need to understand these harms and their sources in order to reconnect with our deepest, most abiding sources of replenishment.”

phor for other aspects of our life?”

This month at First Unitarian we offer abundant spiritual offerings for refilling the well, from the range of worship services and small groups, to the all-church party on March 13, to Easter’s

Flower Communion featuring the folk duo emma’s revolution! This month, may our natural healing begin, as we take in this assurance of our faith:

We are enough.

We are enough.

We are enough!

With love and faith,

Rev. Nancy



Tema de Marzo: Rellenando el Pozo

Nosotros Somos Suficientes: Como Inicia la Curación

por la Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones

Por favor: Paren por un momento.

Respiren.

Descansen

Durante estos pocos minutos, viendo las palabras desplazarse a través de su pantalla o con esta revista en su mano, no necesita “hacer” nada más abrirse a sí mismo en este instante. Deje que las palabras rueden o caigan o rueden en su mente y corazón. Si algo les interesa o les inspira, es precioso. Si no, eso está BIEN, también.

Estos momentos de descanso son suyos. Un tiempo para recordar que nosotros—todos nosotros—ya somos suficientes. Sin duda, todos queremos seguir creciendo—por lo menos, ¡Yo espero que lo hagamos! Pero quienes somos ahora, como somos, eso es bueno. Eso es suficiente.

No necesitamos golpearnos a nosotros mismos por los errores que hemos cometido o por los que tenemos todavía que hacer.

No hay razón para creer la gran mentira que ustedes puede haber oído en un lugar—que ustedes no son tan hermosos, amorosos y adorables como realmente son.

Justo aquí y ahora, véanse como una esponja, empapándose de estas palabras, estas palabras verdaderas:

Ustedes, Yo, nosotros somos suficientes.

Nosotros somos suficientes.

Respiren.

Descansen.

Dejen que una sonrisa aparezca en tus labios.

O no.

Nosotros somos suficientes.

Los seres humanos—especialmente nosotros, humanos viviendo en este valle—dañándonos a nosotros mismos cu-

ando absorbemos los mensajes de nuestra sociedad, mensajes que dicen que no somos suficientes. A veces nosotros mismos nos ponemos en riesgo en el daño de insuficiencia—por trabajar nosotros mismos en la tierra, o por inflar nuestro ego en compensación o por lastimar nuestras relaciones por falta de atención, la comprensión y la simple presencia. A veces es nuestra situación que se arriesga por el daño, como cuando por la falta de recursos o sistemas injustos y opresores hacen imposible descansar si queremos mantenernos a nosotros mismos y a nuestros seres queridos alojados y alimentados.

Tenemos que entender estos daños y sus fuentes para volver a conectarnos con nuestras fuentes más profundas, más durables fuentes de reposición.

Una gama de respuestas de nuestros congregantes al tema de este mes de “Rellenar el pozo” ofrecen sugerencias para la curación en nuestra congregación. Pueden ver muchas de estas respuestas en “En Nuestras Propias Voces” en este tema. Yo confieso: soy una de los que escriben, “sé muy bien de todos esos momentos cuando mi espiritual y emocional pozo está seco. ¿Sería posible mantener mis jarras de agua bastante llenas todo el tiempo, o estoy yo destinada a dar tumbos de oasis a oasis, tragando saliva sedienta en las cosas que me llenan?” ¿Podría mi almacén de agua espiritual bajar despacio si realmente tuviera la certeza— que ofrece el Unitario Universalismo, que soy ya suficiente?

Las respuestas de algunos congregantes se refieren a literalmente al agua.

En nuestro estado afectado por la sequía (múltiples significados previstos), el anhelo de fresco y refrescante, el agua potable en cantidades abundantes se encuentra justo debajo de la superficie de nuestros pensamientos conscientes y sentimientos—excepto cuando hay burbujas en ansiedad activa.

Nosotros estamos temerosos de que no haya suficiente.

“Es interesante pensar en el significado literal de ‘rellenar el pozo’”, escribe un congregante. “Un pozo no es como un vaso o un depósito que deba ser relleno. Un pozo probablemente es relleno por la tierra si los seres humanos no han extraído demasiado del acuífero. Siguiendo esa visión de la frase, podrían hablar acerca de dejar cosas perjudiciales que estamos haciendo y entonces permitir que el pozo se rellene (o cure) naturalmente. ¿Ayudaría a si utilizamos como metáfora para otros aspectos de nuestra vida?”

Este mes en la Primera Iglesia Unitaria ofrecemos abundantes ofrendas espirituales para relleno del pozo, de la gama de servicios religiosos y de pequeños grupos, a la fiesta para toda la iglesia el 13 de marzo, a la Comunión de las Flores de Pascua con el dúo Folk de revolución de emma! Nuestra sanación natural puede empezar este mes, mientras nosotros tomamos esta certidumbre de nuestra fe:

¡Nosotros somos suficientes.

Nosotros somos suficientes.

Nosotros somos suficientes!

Con amor y fe,

Rev. Nancy



In Our Own Voices: Refilling the Well

“In Our Own Voices” shares congregants’ free-flowing responses to the theme of the month. We draw these responses from on-line surveys.

This month’s theme strikes a chord with many congregants. Most of us know what it feels like to be “running on empty.” How

do we restore and maintain our spiritual, emotional, and physical resources? You’ll find both familiar questions and practical suggestions here.

In drought-ridden California, it’s natural that some folks hear “refilling the well” and think of water, both literally and metaphori-

cally. These responses spur us to examine all our practices for their sustainability. They urge us to engage with the most pressing issues of our times.

All of your responses inspire me. I hope you find inspiration here, too!

Gratefully,
Rev. Nancy

What Empties Our Well—and How Can We Refill It?

Giving too much, needing time for self-care vs. remembering what matters most, connecting with deepest self

How do you recharge—refill—when you are close to empty? Do you recognize when you are near empty? How?

Giving, forfeiting, putting yourself second. When are you angry? After you realize close ones take care of themselves by never putting themselves second? What stops you from putting your needs first? Must you get angry first? Unitarian Universalists serve, work for others, put the greater good first. Do you ever ask for support so you can receive from this community?

What specific actions do people take, or can they take, to refill the well? What if the well is empty in the first place? Maybe this topic should be titled “Filling the Well” (without the “Re-”). This theme is important because it’s difficult to work for the benefit of others, such as the social justice work our church does, when you’re coming from a place of depletion. The topic relates to burnout and how to maintain a balance between caring for yourself and caring for others. “If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? If not now, when?”

Not certain what this means. Maybe something about revitalizing a common resource or an interpersonal generosity practice? I am concerned about the apparent political popularity of “it should all be about Me” and how to

turn that tide. Maybe by example and skillful use of public media?

I think March is an appropriate month to have this theme—a traditional time to celebrate rebirth and renewal of the earth. We have so many things draining our well right now: political strife, social and economic injustice, climate change. This theme will, hopefully, give us a chance to stop and appreciate what we’ve accomplished and heal a bit.

This makes me think of two things: self-care, and refilling the well of our own creativity. Julia Cameron wrote about this in The Artist’s Way. She believes that all of us are playful and creative at heart, whether or not we call ourselves artists. One of her many inspiring suggestions is to go on an Artist’s Date alone every week, in which you choose something to do that delights your inner creator. Go to an art exhibit or a performance, shop for something fun at a craft store, bake or cook something exotic, go to a library or bookstore and learn a few phrases in a foreign language. As we tend our own inner flame, we have more light to share with the world.

I am so tired these days that refilling the well means sleep . . .

I strongly believe in the importance of Refilling the Well. My challenge comes in work situations when I have seven positive results and two negative, and I keep focusing and worrying about the two negative ones instead of enjoying the seven positive results. So my question is: How to avoid focusing on the

few negatives and open up to the positive “majority”?

I would like concrete practices for refilling my well. I wonder: What is the source of my water for refilling? I think of times when I run out of steam, inspiration, emotional or spiritual energy as times when my well is empty. How do I recognize that my well is empty and needs refilling?

This theme of refilling the well strikes a chord with me because there have been a couple significant times in the last 10 years when I really needed to “refill my well”—first after a contentious divorce and custody case, and most recently after the diagnosis of a serious illness. I turned to this church as part of the answer for spiritual support. I did get some support along the way, but it was not an easy journey. Our faith doesn’t give “easy answers,” and I get that. Church members are well meaning and will offer to help, and then several were not willing to help or listen when an answer about how to help was given. How can we effectively ask others to help us refill the well? How can we best respond when asked?

My well gets refilled by accomplishment. Most days I’ve got dozens of deadlines and incomplete projects hanging over me, draining my spirit. When it gets really bad, I choose one or two to focus on and finish.

Time for meditation.

Steps we take to understand our real genuine identity.

Replenishment is a better word for me. Sleeping is a way we are replenished.

To me, the phrase could refer either to: (1) the encouragement we all need at some time in our lives to persist in the face of adversity, to be patient, and expect that things will work out for us; or (2) the times we need to step back, perhaps with a vacation at the beach, lake, or mountain, to rest and recover from our daily grind, to reflect on where we've been and where we would like to go. The first is externally applied solace and comfort, the second is internal and personal. Both these types of "refilling" are relevant to my life and to accepting the challenges we face most every day. Being offered comfort, and accepting it, are not so common in daily life. Living our Unitarian Universalist principles is relevant to both the outer and inner solace.

Oh, boy, I have about a zillion spiritual practices designed to help me refill the well on a daily,

weekly, monthly, or annual basis. But ... I'm not so good at keeping at them steadily—because Life. Which is so full, so busy, so to-do'd. I know all too well those moments when my spiritual and emotional well runs dry. Would it be possible to keep my water jugs fairly full all the time, or am I destined to lurch from oasis to oasis, gulping thirstily at the things that replenish me? OR maybe I am missing something subtler and simpler yet profoundly true: that my daily life—my meetings, my ponderings, my small breaks and big conversations—already has so much "water" in it! I am refilled daily by my encounters with people and other creatures. Maybe I need to be more mindful of what is already working so well. Sounds like a gratitude practice to me!

Water: The Metaphor and the Reality of Refilling the Well

Hmmm ... It's interesting to think of the literal meaning of "refilling the well." A well is not like a glass or a reservoir that needs to be refilled. A well is presumably refilled by the

Earth if humans haven't drawn too much from the aquifer. Following that view of the phrase, you could talk about stopping whatever harmful things we're doing and then allowing the well to refill (or heal) naturally. Would it help if we used that as a metaphor for other aspects of our life? Reducing our footprint—not just with carbon or water but also with the space our egos take up. How can we connect our unconscious unearned privilege with our profligate use of water or other resources?

The first thing that comes to my mind is literally restoring our ground water, which has been depleted due to drought, and finding better ways to store water when we do get it, so we'll have it when the next drought comes—which could be sooner rather than later, with the increasing unpredictability of weather due to climate change.

Immediate and long-term solutions to water crises like Flint

Should we refill the well with recycled or fresh water?

Memories from The Jean vonKaenel Tea — Feb. 6

On February 6 the Jean von Kaenel Tea was hosted by the Partner Church Committee to raise funds for bringing villagers to visit San Jose in 2017.

The Tea was a great success organized by Mary Mary Feldman. Performances were given by: **Bev Clifford, Frank Farris with Dianne Saichek, Monty Low & Maggie Morris, Sally Cooperrider, Guitars Aloud, Dana Spinney with Dianne Saichek, Alexander Castro Young, Federico Madden, Rick Merritt & Linda Maki, and Tracy Avent.** Tea and food were served featuring home made Hungarian strudel by **Jenny Redfern.** The Partner Church Committee wishes to thank the many other volunteers for making this wonderful annual event possible.



Emma Bowman serving

Right, Mary Mary Feldman serving. Below left, Dana Spinny. Below right, Bev Clifford



Dancers Monty Low and Magnolia Morris



Frank Farris, accompanied by Dianne Saichek



Sunday Services / Servicios Domingo

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 11 AM



“Keep on Moving Forward”: Launching Our Next 150 Years of Making Love Visible

Yes! On this Sunday, we launch our next 150 years of Making Love Visible, and we start with a month of “refilling the well”! Like a drought-stricken water table, are we running low on spiritual and emotional resources? Do we feel like we are merely lurching from oasis to oasis, gulping thirstily at whatever replenishes us for a moment? What harmful practices deplete us, and what practices keep our water jugs jauntily filled? With an original story by Worship Associate Jim Rumbaugh and more, we dive into this theme—and we kick off this year’s unique Stewardship Campaign! Join us for a refreshing Sunday!

Worship Leader: the Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones; **Worship Associate:** Jim Rumbaugh



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6 DE MARZO 11 AM

“Seguir Avanzando”: Lanzamiento de los Próximos 150 Años de Hacer Visible el Amor

¡Sí! Este domingo lanzamos nuestros próximos 150 años de Hacer Visible el Amor, y comenzamos con un mes de “relenando el pozo”! ¿Como una meseta de agua afectada por la sequía, nosotros estamos agotando los recursos espirituales y emocionales? ¿Sentimos que simplemente estamos dando tumbos de oasis en oasis, tragando saliva sedientos de todo lo que nos llena por un momento? ¿Qué prácticas perjudiciales nos agotan, y qué prácticas mantienen nuestras jarras de agua alegremente llenas? Con una historia original por el asociado de culto Jim Rumbaugh y mucho más, nos sumergimos en este tema—y ponemos en marcha la única campaña de recaudación de fondos de este año! ¡Únanse a nosotros para un refrescante domingo!

Dirige: la Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones;
Asociado de Culto: Jim Rumbaugh

ALBANZAS EN ESPAÑOL 10:15 AM

Venga a unirse a nosotros para este servicio simple de oración-meditación de media hora (sin sermón) a las 10:15 am en una mezcla de inglés y español en la biblioteca de la iglesia.

Come join us for this simple prayer-meditation service (without sermon) at 10:15 am, held in a mixture of English and Spanish in the Church Library.

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 11 AM



Young Adult Group Worship Service

Our new Young Adult Group shows us how it’s done! Come be inspired and engaged as our young leaders reflect on the issues of our times with fresh perspectives.

Pledge Fest!

Then join us for the Pledge Fest after worship: a festive all-congregation party with lunch, games, raffle prizes, a stewardship presentation, and the chance to help build our spiritual cooperative with your pledge—all in one day! Come enjoy the fun, friendship, and meaning making, and help us turn this fresh way of offering our mutual Stewardship into a success!

Worship Leaders: Young Adult Group

DOMINGO 13 DE MARZO 11 AM

Servicio de los Jóvenes Adultos

¡Nuestro nuevo Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos nos muestran de que están hechos! Vengan a ser inspirados y comprometerse mientras nuestros jóvenes líderes reflexionan sobre los problemas de nuestro tiempo con perspectivas frescas.

Entonces únase a nosotros para la fiesta de compromiso después del servicio: una fiesta de toda la congregación con almuerzo, juegos, rifas, una presentación de las donaciones y la oportunidad de ayudar a construir nuestra cooperativa espiritual con su promesa—!todo en un día! Vengan a disfrutar de la diversión, la amistad y el significado que hace y nos ayudan a convertir esta nueva forma de ofrecer nuestra corresponsabilidad mutua en un éxito!

Dirigen: Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 11 AM



“To Dance with the Mystery: This Is Enough!”

When we find ourselves exhausted or burned out, we need to ask not just “Has my spiritual/emotional/physical well run dry?” but “Which well needs replenishing, and how best can I refill it—without turning self-care into one more demanding task?” This spirited service promises both rest and uplift, as we relish the Alegría Singers offering of “Dai Lanu”—a Nick Page anthem in Hebrew that will have you up and dancing—and we honor the Pesach stories of freedom.

Worship Leader: the Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones; **Worship Associate:** Moria Merriweather

DOMINGO, 20 DE MARZO 11 AM

“Danza con el Misterio: ¡Esto es Suficiente!”

Quando nos encontramos agotados o exhaustos, tenemos que preguntarnos no sólo “¿Tiene mi espiritual/emocional/físico pozo que funcionar en seco?” pero “¿Cual pozo necesita de reposición, y la mejor manera que yo puedo rellenarlo—sin convertir el autocuidado en una tarea más exigente?” Este animado servicio promete descanso y elevación, mientras nos deleitamos del ofrecimiento de los Alegría Singers de “Dai Lanu”—un himno de Nick Page en hebreo que le hará levantarse y bailar—y honremos el Pesaj historias de la libertad.

Dirige: la Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones; **Asociada de Culto:** Moria Merriweather

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 11 AM



Coming Home: We Are ALL a Blessing!

Easter Sunday – Flower Communion – and Emma’s Revolution!

An extraordinary Easter Sunday celebration with special musical guests, folk-singing duo emma’s revolution, a story about Flower Communion that embraces all of us, and the sharing of beauties in Flower Communion itself.

Please bring a flower (no thorns, please!) to the tables outside the church before worship. Invite all the children you know to take part in the Parade of Flowers that opens worship, and ask them to help pass the baskets during our annual ritual. Enjoy a visit from our Floppy-Eared Friend, and the NEW and more meaningful Easter canned-goods hunt in St. James Park after worship!

Not to be missed! Listen to emma’s revolution at <http://emmasrevolution.com/listen/album/sing-people-sing/> and discover why they are beloved by Unitarian Universalists and more everywhere!

Worship Leaders: the Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones, with emma’s revolution — Pat Humphries and Sandy O;
Worship Associate: Bev Clifford



DOMINGO, 27 DE MARZO 11 AM

Regresando a Casa: ¡Todos Nosotros Somos una Bendición!

Domingo de Pascua – Comunión de las Flores- y Revolución de Emma!

Un celebración extraordinaria de Domingo de Pascua con invitados musicales especiales, el dúo de cantantes folk revolución de emma, una historia sobre la Comunión de las Flores que abraza a todos nosotros y el compartir de las bellezas en la Comunión de las Flores en sí misma.

Por favor, traiga una flor (¡sin espinas, por favor!) a las mesas que están afuera de la iglesia antes del servicio. Inviten a todos los niños que conozca a participar en el desfile de las flores con el que se abre el servicio y pídeles que ayuden a pasar las canastas durante el ritual anual. Disfruten de la visita de nuestro Amigo de Orejas Largas y Suaves, y ¡los NUEVOS y más significativos productos enlatados de Pascua para cazar en St. James Park después del servicio!

¡No se lo pueden perder! Escuchen a la revolución de emma en <http://emmasrevolution.com/listen/album/sing-people-sing/> ¡y descubran por qué son amadas por los Unitarios Universalistas y más en todas partes!

Dirigen: la Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones, con emma’s revolution — Pat Humphries y Sandy O;
Asociada de Culto: Bev Clifford

Children and Youth Classes



For a full description of our 2015-2016 curriculum, please refer to the September 2015 Church Circular.

SUNDAY MARCH 6

1st -4th grades -- No Ruz
 5th-8th grades -- Personal Justice
 9th-12th -- A safe place for youth to share their lives and find friendship

SUNDAY MARCH 13

1st -4th grades -- St. Patrick's Day
 5th-8th grades -- No class – Senior High Youth Sunday
 9th-12th -- Senior High lead worship service in sanctuary!

SUNDAY MARCH 20

1st -4th grades -- Easter
 5th-8th grades -- The UU Approach to Justice
 9th-12th -- A safe place for youth to share their lives and find friendship

SUNDAY MARCH 27

All Children and Youth join the Intergenerational Flower Communion Service.

Unitarian Universalist Parents Meetup Group

The Meetup group is a safe venue for parents and children who embrace a Unitarian Universalist philosophy to connect. The group was formed by parents at First Unitarian Church of San José <http://sanjoseuu.org> who wanted an easy way to get to know like-minded parents. You do not have to attend any church or consider yourself religious to be part of this group. Just go to our Meetup site, <http://www.meetup.com/UUParents/> and fill out a few profile questions, which are meant to verify you are a parent with some interest in this group, and an organizer will approve you.



TUESDAY, MARCH 8 & 29 7-9 PM
 SUNDAY, MARCH 20 1:30-3:30 PM

Spiritual Discussion Group for Young Adults

Youth Room

New spiritual discussion group for young adults! We use the Unitarian Universalist curriculum "Finding Your Path" by Michael Tino to explore who we are and where our passion and the needs of the world intersect in order to live a more meaningful life.

It's a time to pause from the busyness of the day, reflect on what matters most,

and connect with other young adults! Co-facilitated by members. Meets biweekly on alternating Tuesdays and Sundays. March sessions include Tuesday, March 8 and 29 from 7-9 pm, and Sunday, March 20 from 1:30-3:30 pm. Questions? Contact Emily faithlovegratitude@gmail.com. Also join Facebook group: First Unitarian Church of San Jose Young Adult group.



Easter Canned Food Drive

Calling all congregants: please join the Easter Canned Food Drive! Based on a vote by families, instead of plastic eggs filled with candy, we will hunt for cans of food on Easter!

The cans will be labeled with colorful shapes and kids will work in teams to collect the cans only of their team color. All of the cans will be donated to Second Harvest food bank, and each child participating will receive a special Easter treat! Please bring small cans (to make it easier for small arms to gather) and deposit them in the large basket in the Narthex on Sundays. We appreciate your help!

Democratic Governance

Board Meeting Report from February:

by Rob Strong, Board Secretary

Working towards our Vision 2020 was the prominent theme of the January Board meeting -- by actively working towards racial justice through the discussions around Black Lives Matter, performing oversight by receiving the Audit Committee Report, and by advancing our Vision into the year 2020.

Our Treasurer, Bill Shepard, brought representatives of the Audit Committee, Bob Howd and Joyce Miller, to present their report. After some discussion, the Board accepted the report, thanked Bob, Joyce and Bev Harrison for their excellent work, and referred the report to the Program and Operations Council (POC) and the Financial Committee for action and response.

Bill also reported that there will be a "Pledge Fest" on March 13.

In a discussion of Black Lives Matter (BLM), Kathleen Bardin joined the conversation about how to go forward. The Bread

& Soup & Conversation for BLM was extremely successful with 106 people fed and more than 80 people staying for the conversation. The conversation was very productive resulting with general sentiment that the Church must be involved.

A "Moral Position" concerning racial

“The Board has completed a DRAFT of “Vision 2020”, and has released it for consideration by the congregation.”

justice could be drafted that the congregation can vote upon. This voting is required by our bylaws to enable further public social engagement. Kathleen will be guiding the drafting effort.

The Board produced a draft of Vision 2020 for congregational comment. A

town-hall meeting February 14 after the service was planned to learn what the congregation likes in the Vision, and what the congregation yet longs for that is not addressed. A Bread & Soup & Conversation sponsored by the Board was planned to encourage folks to participate. [Update: This conversation occurred with 80+ people fed and more than 30 people engaged in the conversation.]

In Rev. Nancy's minister's report, she is starting the "Thanks" parties, for people who managed to up their pledge by \$150 in this, our Church's 150th, year. And we learned that the musical group Emma's Revolution will be included in the worship service for Easter's Flower Communion.

The Board's meetings are open. They occur on the first Thursday of each month at 7 pm in the Board Room downstairs. The next meeting is March 3. Join us and observe how this part of our church governance functions!

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

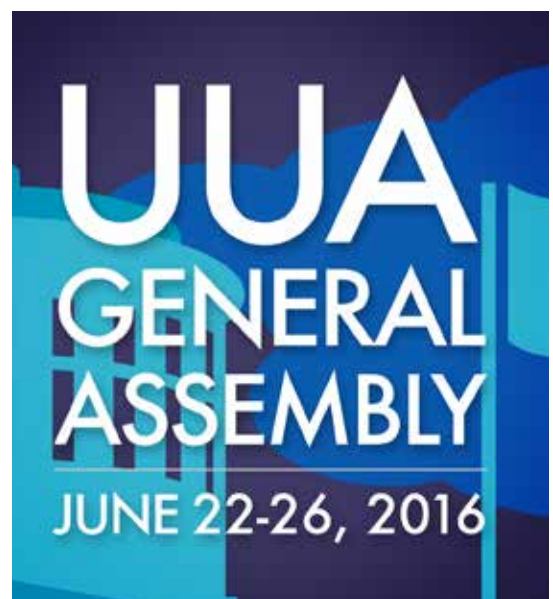


Sisters Eleanor and Emma Strong hugging at young adult group 1/31

General Assembly Registration Opens

Registration for General Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, this June opens on March 1.

General Assembly, is the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Thousands of Unitarian Universalists from across the country participate. Co-authors Karin Lin and Rev. Nancy will lead a workshop titled "The Joy of the Journey: The Road to Multiculturalism." For more information about General Assembly, click this link www.uua.org/ga.





Circling Around

by Torchy Hunter

We talked about gratitude in church on Sunday, and while I was thinking about just having taken our dogs to the dog beach in Carmel, bucket lists came to mind.

So I asked what people had on their list, and even 10-year-old Nathan Hoppe had one: to watch every Star Wars movie consecutively. Yeah. **Nathan Piechotka** wants to live through “the white nights” in northern climes when the sun doesn’t set. Similarly, **Alec MacLean** wants to see the

northern lights, then added hearing wolf song in the wild and Petra. Cool. **Steve Saunders** wants to move back into his house. **Rita Reed** wants to be with grandkids. **John Burk** wants to see London. **Bob Redfern** hopes not to see hospitals any more. He’s taking up everybody’s allotment of stents. Sometimes what people say and then retract when they think of something better is revealing. **Carol Greene** first said conducting an orchestra, then called that back in favor of seeing Joshua Tree.

Marnie Singer is going to her 50th High School Reunion in Wilmington, Delaware. When I went to mine (in Riverside), I was amused that the homecoming queen wouldn’t come because she had gained too much weight. When the student body president said I would have been a better one, it was very hard not to stand up and say “D...n right.” But those were different days. **Frank Bosche** hopes not to kick said bucket. **Mary Martin** wants to see Machu Picchu. I’d go. **Jay Porter** wants to

go to Europe. **Maggie Norris** wants to belly dance. **Dena Dickinson** wants to keep working with Partners in Health. **Emily Carroll** wants to hike up to water (I didn’t ask). **Dan Zulevic**, now enjoying the balmy Texas weather for a few months, would do anything to see Bruce. You are supposed to know which Bruce, and if you have tickets or know anybody who does, please tell him: 408-307-0623. **Barbara Grover** would like to do stand-up. I was caught flatfooted by that one. Can you picture it: empty stage and Barb comes in and gets the microphone, and begins.... **Joy-Ellen Lipsky** wants to see the pyramids. This is beginning to sound like a trip we should all do: London, Oslo, Egypt, Jordan...

Is it just so cool that we all have bucket lists? To quote Robert Browning: *A man’s reach should exceed his grasp. Or what’s a heaven for?*

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

2:30-5:30 PM

A ‘Year to Live’ Seminar

Based on the Work of Stephen Levine

Youth Room

This is an invitation to experience “the gift of a whole year to examine your life consciously in the context of your approaching death.” What if you had only one year left to live? How would you choose to spend it? This is an opportunity to resolve our denial of death as well as our denial of life in a year-long experiment in healing, joy, and revitalization.



Meets on the second Thursdays of every month from 2:30-5:30 pm in the Youth Room for 12 months starting March 10. Open to anyone able to make the commitment and willing to undertake this important journey. This is not a drop-in group; we need people who are committed to attending the full year because you may undertake some of the most important spiritual and personal work of your life.

About the guest teacher: Steve Kurtagh has been actively involved in the Personal Growth Movement for the last 50 years, beginning when he worked at Esalen Institute in Big Sur. For the last 25 years he has been a passionate supporter and participant in the Men’s Support Group Movement including being a member of the UU Men’s groups at this church.

Offered by donation, though participants need to buy the book *A Year to Live* by Stephen Levine. To learn more contact me, the instructor, Steve Kurtagh 831-477-1014 or skurtagh@hotmail.com. Space is limited.



Get-Acquainted Light Lunches 2016

On certain Sundays, newcomers gather with a small group of members and friends for a potluck light lunch (bread, soup, salad, etc.) after the worship service.

The host asks everyone in the circle to share their names and a little bit about the journey that has led them to First Unitarian. Like a small-group ministry session, the conversation invites people into FUCSJ’s practice of deep listening.

Longer-term members then share the church activities that enliven them. “Let us help you get connected.”

Email **Ed Gardner** ednatsj@sbcglobal.net to attend or to volunteer to help.

All lunches take place in the church library from 12:15 – 1:15 pm. Coming up:

- Sunday, March 6
- Sunday, May 1

Announcements

MONDAYS

6-7 PM

Weekly Meditation Group

First Unitarian Church Sanctuary

We meditate starting at 6 pm for 30 minutes. We begin with the ringing of the meditation bell and setting the timer for 30 minutes. Come in the door at the end of the ramp and quietly enter the sanctuary. You are welcome, no matter what time you

arrive, to sit in a chair or on the labyrinth. You can bring a cushion to meditate on. You can leave after the meditation but all are welcome to stay from 6:30 until 7:00 pm for a check-in about our meditation experience, practice and discussion of Rev. Doug Kraft's book, *Buddha's Map*. The discussion will be accessible to all! To be put on the meditation group email list contact meditation group convener, **Emily Carroll** faithlovegratitude@gmail.com, sabbatical Director of Lifespan Religious Education.

INSPIRE
YOUNG
MINDS!



MARCH 12, 2016

6-9 PM

Inspire Young Minds

Hattie Porter Hall

In 2016, we celebrate 18 years of opening doors of opportunity for children in San José. Be a part of our work and join us as we celebrate another year!

Inspire Young Minds will feature a reception with California wines, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, a silent auction, and a brief program. Plus, you have an opportunity to mingle and meet others in our community who value children's education. We will be offering tours of our classroom and computer lab. Third Street staff and children will be present to share their experiences of our programs.

Each year, we rely on the generosity of individuals and businesses to keep our own doors open. If you are not yet familiar with our work, please visit our website at www.3street.org and view our latest video highlighting the impact of our work in our community.

Your attendance at this event will support our work to bridge the achievement gap, promote STEM education, and create a college going culture for disadvantaged children in San José. Proceeds raised from this event will provide 550 hours of educational, enrichment, and mentoring opportunities to over 130 children in one school year.

Information: rosemary@3street.org

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/inspire-young-minds-2016-tickets-20739674926>

1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS 2:30-5 PM



San Jose Community Dances

Hattie Porter Hall

Great exercise, great LIVE music, great fun! All dances taught — beginners welcome.

You can find detailed information at bacds.org/series/community/san_jose or facebook.com/groups/SanJoseCommunityDance

April 19: After-dance jam session using The Portland Collection (contra) and The Barnes Books (English Country Dance), 5-7 pm. Contact Susan Torngren, storgren@comcast.net, for more information.

2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS 12:45 PM

Uuthful Spirits Lunch

Hattie Porter Hall by Newcomer's Table

Join our young adult/young-at-heart fellowship group for Lunch! Meet in Hattie Porter Hall near the Newcomer's table at about 12:45 pm. Questions? Contact uuthful_spirits-owner@yahoo.com

WEDNESDAYS 7-9 PM



Alegria Singers Choir Practice

Sanctuary

Join the FUCSJ choir in singing at Sunday services, special events such as solstice celebrations, Coffeehouses and other activities. Questions? **Liz Owen** lowen@data-time.com

THURSDAY MARCH 3 1-3 PM

Women's Alliance

Ramsden Fireside Room

We are discussing *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie Ch. 27-33 (pp. 317-380), as well as *Belief & Unbelief: Womanhood Beyond Religion* by Barbara Walker (Essay #15, Religion & War and #16, Animalia).

Please contact **Nancy Coleman** at 408-985-5778 or nbc Coleman@gmail.com for further information. All are welcome.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 8 PM



Dances of Universal Peace

Sanctuary

The Dances of Universal Peace are a spiritual practice honoring the inherent worth and dignity of every human being, celebrating the interconnected web of all existence, and using sacred phrases from the world's religions.

Come join us on the labyrinth under the dome of our church. **Beginners and experienced dancers join together in these moving meditations. The words of the sacred phrases, as well as the melodies and the movements, are taught each time.**

If you have questions you can email **Patrick Smiley** at patrick.smiley@sbc-global.net or telephone and leave a message at 650.596.8829.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 10-11 AM

HUUMANATI Sunday Forum

Hattie Porter Hall

We gather, socialize, check in, read aloud, write haiku, play games, or whatever. Come by to tarry awhile, share your thoughts, or just listen. It's fun, and interesting talk always happens.

We meet at the table nearest the cof-

fee. For more information, contact **Amy Baldwin** at 408-730-9622.

MONDAY, MARCH 7 DEADLINE SAT/SUN, MARCH 19-20 SUPPERS

Circle Suppers

Circle Suppers offer an opportunity for members of the church community to get to know one another at casual pot luck suppers.

Small groups come together in members' homes to share food and conversation. Singles and couples, long-time church members or new to this church community, all are welcome. Contact **Barbara Derbyshire** at CircleSuppers@AOL.com.

MONDAY, MARCH 7 6:30 PM



Renters' Rights Now! Join us for the PACT Community Action

Are you paying too much for rent? Are you worried about eviction? Does your landlord resist fixing broken things? Come to the Renters' Rights Action to fight for renters protections! We need you to join us on Monday, March 7 at 6:30 pm at Overfelt High School at 1835 Cunningham Ave, San Jose (near King) when we ask Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers Carrasco and Peralez to commit to supporting renters in San Jose. Everyone deserves a safe and stable place to live! More information: contact Carol at 408-893-7550.

EL LUNES 7 DE MARZO 6:30 PM

Derechos para los Inquilinos Ahora! Únase a nosotros para la Acción Comunitaria de PACT

¿Está pagando demasiado para la renta? ¿Está preocupado acerca de ser desalojado? ¿Su propietario resistir arreglar cosas rotas? Venga a la Acción para los Derechos de los Inquilinos y luchar por los

protecciones para los renteros! Únete a nosotros el Lunes 7 de marzo a las 6:30 pm en Escuela Secundaria Overfelt en 1835 Cunningham Ave, San Jose (cerca de King) cuando pedimos al Alcalde Liccardo y Concejales Carrasco y Peralez se comprometan a apoyar a los inquilinos en San José. ¡Todos nosotros merecemos un lugar seguro y estable para vivir! Para más información: contacte a Carol al 408-893-7550

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 12:15 PM

Pledge Fest is the Fun!

"Keep on Moving Forward: Launching Our Next 150 Years of Making Love Visible" is the theme of a festive all-congregation party on March 13 following the always inspirational Senior Youth worship service.

Join your friends in Hattie Porter Hall after church to enjoy games and a delicious lunch and to hear a stewardship presentation about your important role in building our ministries and nurturing our spiritual cooperative. Your attendance and pledge at the party — or your pledge beforehand — will help streamline the drive. And, if you fill out your pledge forms on or before that day, you'll be eligible for great raffle prizes! Childcare will be provided.

Stay tuned for more information, but meanwhile, mark your calendar (March 13!) so you can be part of this new, exciting way of launching our annual pledge drive. And meanwhile, be thinking about what this church means to you and how your financial support will make love visible in 2016-2017 and in the next 150 years to come!

MONDAY, MARCH 14 7-9 PM

Social Justice Council: Topic Is Homelessness

Conference Room

We will be planning presentations on homelessness with the Homelessness Concerns Group. To weigh in on these issues, join the Social Justice Council meeting. If you have questions or plan to attend the meeting, please call or text **John Burk** at 408-259-3781.

MONDAY, MARCH 15 7:30-9 PM



HUUMANATI Monday Meeting

Library (to the left in the front lobby)

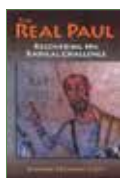
Come join us, rest your feet, check in, and chat about what's on your mind. There may be board games and other easy activities, also. Questions? Contact **Amy Baldwin**, 408-730-9622.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17 6-8 PM

Christian Origins Book Study

**Conference Room, or by Video/
Teleconference wherever you are**

**The Real Paul: Recovering
His Radical Challenge by
Bernard Brandon Scott**



On March 16 we continue our 5-month study of a historic shift in perspectives on Paul of the New Testament. This month we'll discuss pages 91-147 (Chapters 8-10), in which Scott describes what he thinks Paul means when he uses words like "faith" (or "faithfulness"), "father of us all," and "in the Anointed." As we read and discuss, we will continue to form our own perspectives, and consider whether Scott's re-interpretation makes sense, and if so, whether Paul's radical challenge has something to say to us in our time. Questions? Contact **Bob Miess**, Bob@Bob-Miess.com, 925-392-5901.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 1-6 PM

Interactive Workshop: "Living at the Level of Community"

Sanctuary

You are invited to join the workshop facilitators **Joe Chapot**, Young Adult Coordinator at the First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco and **Michael Tank**.

"Living at the Level of Community" is a workshop where participants dive deep

into that special magic of community. Why do some communities thrive, while others die? Why do some places feel like home, while others are just where we sleep? And how can I get more of the special something in my life?

Participants of this workshop will come to understand the power of community and have an opportunity to create more of it in their lives. For more information or to RSVP, contact joechapot@gmail.com or alternate contact kathlenbardin@yahoo.com.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 12:30 PM

Annual Election Meeting

Sanctuary

We will hold our annual congregational meeting to elect officers after the service

on Sunday, March 20, in accord with our bylaws and the 6th Unitarian Universalist Principle on "the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large." All members of the congregation can and are urged to vote. Anyone can attend and speak. Your attendance at this meeting honors those who have volunteered as candidates to keep our congregation moving forward. We will also be voting on Vision 2020.

The slate of candidates from the nominating committee will be announced through all-church e-mail, our Sunday order of service and on the FUCSJ website. Nominations may be made from the floor. Absentee ballots will be available in the church office.

Hiking Schedule (March 2016)

Dear Hikers, Please call or email me if you plan to hike so I know that you are joining us and can tell you if plans have changed: home phone 408-730-1052 or cell 408-769-0534; j408miller@sbcglobal.net. -**Joyce Miller**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 8:30 AM

Rancho Canada del Oro, 6 miles, moderate. Meet at Bed, Bath, & Beyond parking lot at Almaden Plaza Shopping Center. We will do the loop clockwise, which is not so steep.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 8:30 AM

Wunderlich Park, 5 miles, moderate. Meet at 280/Page Mill Park & Ride or at the trailhead at 8:45 am.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 8:30 AM

Castle Rock State Park, 6 miles, moderate. Meet at what used to be the US Bank parking lot in Saratoga. Turn right just past the Union 76 gas station on Big Basin Way and drive to the back of the parking area.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12 8:30 AM

Almaden Quicksilver County Park, moderate, 5 miles. McAbee entrance. Meet at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16 8:30 AM

Coyote Ridge Open Space, 5-6 miles. Alice will lead this hike. Here is her description: "I would love to take our group to the new Coyote Ridge property on a private wildflower hike on March 16th. It would be in the new property adjacent to where I took the group last year. I think the route is slightly less steep and it looks like the flowers will be great!" Meet at Bed, Bath & Beyond to carpool.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 8:30 AM

Let's try to do Big Basin again. I have put this on the schedule twice and each time we have canceled and done closer hikes. We will go to Berry Falls and back. It is about 8 miles. Plan for a longer day. We should be back around 3:30 pm. Meet at parking lot behind what used to be US Bank in Saratoga.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 8:30 AM

Pichetti Ranch Open Space, 5 miles, moderate. Hike, wine tasting, and picnic. Meet at trailhead. To get to trailhead, take Foothill as though you were going to Stevens Creek Park, but continue on past the quarry and turn right on Montebello Road. Go about a mile and you will see the sign for the Pichetti Open Space Preserve on your left. Turn in to the parking lot.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26 8:30 AM

Joseph Grant County Park, 6 miles, moderate. Meet at VTA Park & Ride on Capitol Ave. off Alum Rock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30 8:30 AM

Saratoga Gap/Long Ridge loop, 5 miles, moderate. Meet at Saratoga parking lot behind what used to be US Bank. First driveway past Union 76 Station at corner of DeAnza and Big Basin Way.



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To receive the newsletter via email: fucsjooffice@gmail.com or join the Yahoo Group: groups.yahoo.com/group/uusj

Next issue copy deadline: 3 pm Wednesday, March 23

Mailing: Wednesday, March 30

View this newsletter online in PDF format at: sanjoseuu.org

Donations are welcome to help defray the cost of printing and mailing. Suggested donation: \$18-\$20 per year – please mail to Office Manager – or bring returnable bottles/cans for us to recycle!

Save the Dates

March 3, Thursday, 1-3 pm, Woman's Alliance, Ramsden Fireside Room

March 3, Thursday, 7-9 pm, Board Meeting (open), Conference Room

March 4, Friday, 8:00 pm, Dances of Universal Peace, Sanctuary

March 6, Sunday, 10-11 am, HUUMANATI Forum, Hattie Porter Hall

March 13, Sunday, after worship service, Pledge Fest, Hattie Porter Hall

March 14, Monday, 7-9 pm, Social Justice Council, Conference Room

March 15, Monday, 7:30-9 pm, HUUMANANTI Monday Meeting, Library

March 16, Wednesday, 6-8 pm, Book Study, Video/Teleconference

March 19 & 20, Saturday & Sunday, Circle Suppers, contact Barbara at CircleSuppers@aol.com; sign-up deadline **March 7**, Monday

READY TO BECOME A NEW MEMBER OF THE FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF SAN JOSÉ? Contact Rev. Geoff, grimositis@gmail.com

For Pastoral Care

Our community strives to offer compassion, companionship, healing, and joy to all its members. Our pastoral care coordinators can help you find the listening ear or helping hands that you may need in difficult times. Please contact the Rev. Geoff Rimositis.

Contacting the Ministers

Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones and **Rev. Geoff Rimositis** feel honored to serve this congregation, and we cherish your trust! Here is how to reach us: Nancy (408) 292-3858, ext. 223 Mon.-Thurs.; cell (408) 952-9418; e-mail: revnpj@yahoo.com. Geoff: (408) 292-3858, ext. 225 Mon.-Thurs.; cell (408) 309-7796; e-mail: grimositis@gmail.com.

Cuidado Pastoral

Nuestra comunidad se esfuerza en ofrecer la compasión, el compañerismo curativo, y la alegría a todos sus miembros. Nuestros coordinadores en cuidado pastoral pueden ayudarle a encontrar un oído que escucha, o las manos que ayudan cuando ustedes lo pudieran necesitar en épocas difíciles. Para el cuidado pastoral, por favor, comuníquese con el Rev. Geoff Rimositis.

Contactando a los Ministros

La Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones y **El Rev. Geoff Rimositis** se sienten honrados de servir a esta congregación y apreciamos su confianza! Aquí esta como puede contactarnos: Nancy (408) 292-3858, ext. 223 de Lunes a Jueves; cell (408) 952-9418; e-mail: revnpj@yahoo.com. Geoff: (408) 292-3858, ext. 225 de Lunes a Jueves; cell (408) 309-7796; e-mail: grimositis@gmail.com

How You Can Support This Congregation:

Your Presence and Time

Attend Sunday services, join a Small Group or one of the many social/activity groups, serve on a committee, come to events, like us on Facebook. Visit www.sanjoseuu.org for more ideas!

Contribute to Fundraisers, Weekly Collections

Make an annual pledge of support (fulfill it by check, EFT, stock transfer or Paypal), attend fundraisers such as the service auction and mystery musical, watch for special collections.