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UUSS Online Calendar

September 7 through September 14, 2008

Please check the sign board near the office for meeting locations.

Sunday, September 7

New Fall Schedule Begins

- 8:30am UUSS Food Bank Basket
- 9am UUSS Book Store
- 9:15am Child Care
- 9:30am All-Ages Service: Water Ceremony
- 9:30am No Children's Classes Today
- 11:15am Ingathering Water Ceremony
- 12:45pm Lunch
- 1pm Congregational Conversation
- 1pm Personnel Committee

Monday, September 8

- 6pm Property Management
- 7pm Men's Group

Tuesday, September 9

- 10am Ministry Circle
- 10am Ted's Web
- 7pm Sharing the Path
- 7pm Private Rental
- 7:30pm Men's Group

Wednesday, September 10

- 10am Ministry Circle
- 10am Day Dreamers Group (Cancelled)
- 4pm Tea & Conversation with Family Minister
- 7pm Choir Practice
- 7pm Theater One Planning

Thursday, September 11

- 10:15 Alliance
- 7pm Finance Committee

Friday, September 12

- 5:30pm Grasshopper & Waterbug Dinner

Saturday, September 13

- 8:30am Private Rental
- 10am Caring Network

Sunday, September 14

- 8:30am UUSS Food Bank Basket
- 9am UUSS Book Store
- 9:15am Child Care
- 9:30am Service: Rev. Kraft
- 9:30am RE Classes for Children
- 10:30am Book Signing - Colene Schlaepfer
- 11:15am Service: Rev. Kraft
- 12:45pm Lunch
- 12:45 Religious Education Committee
- 1pm Sharing the Path
- 1:15 Forum
- 3pm Servetus
- 4:30pm Private Meeting
- 5:30pm Film Club

NOTE: UUSS Committee and Activity groups are open to all who are interested or curious. A complete listing of these groups can be found in our *Pathways* brochure, which is on the pamphlet rack near the Welcome Table and on our web page.

Catered lunches, provided by Napoli Academy, will be offered after the second service today. The cost is \$7; there is no charge for small children and first time visitors.

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There are no classes for children today. All children are invited to join in the Water Ceremony services. On next Sunday, the 14th, classes for children will be offered at 9:30am.

At the September 14th Sunday services, Rev. Kraft continues his series of sermons distinguishing between religious experience, religious thought and religious practice. This sermon will consider religious experience: "God and the Power of Surrender."

Wednesday Tea and Talk in Sophie's Room - Rev. Roger Jones will be hosting an "open house" for individuals and families, Wednesdays, September 10, 17 & 24, between 4-5:30pm. Please plan to visit with him in the Sophie (Fahs) room to share a warm welcome and wide-ranging conversation. All Members, Friends and Visitors are invited.

Monthly Congregational Conversation group discussion, today, 1pm in the Sophie Fahs room: This monthly discussion group is led by members of the Communications Facilitation committee. John McMillan of the UUSS Visioning In Action group will present some of the desired activities that came from the spring workshops, especially those that need volunteers from our congregation to accomplish them. Everyone is welcome.

Requests from area families in need of food have increased over the summer, but our UUSS Food Bank Basket has been almost empty during that time. Cans of tuna, peanut butter, canned veggies and fruit are needed. Please be generous.

Alliance will resume its monthly programs on Thursday, September 11, with guest speaker Rev. Roger Jones. This year the programs will be presented in the Sophie Fahs room. Come for coffee at 10:30 and then the program at 11am.

Colene Schlaepfer has authored a new book: Fishing by Moonlight: the Art of Enhancing Intimate Relationships. She will offer a book signing on the patio after services on Sunday, September 14th. Additionally, Colene will

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conduct a series of workshops beginning September 22nd and lead discussion of her book for the UUSS Book Club on September 18th.

UUSS Film Club will meet at Linda Roye's home, behind the Tower Theater, on September 14th. The films for September are *Brideshead Revisited*, *Vicky Christine Barcelona*, *Tell No One* & *Henry Poole is Here*. Questions? call Shirley Hines at 444-6553

UULM Low Carbon Challenge testimonial from Carrie Cornwell: "Schlepping plastic yogurt cups home to recycle...reusing aluminum foil...insisting on walking home from work in 100 degree heat.... The UULM support group gave me a place to talk about how fruitful and fruitless these efforts may be, and a hope for a better tomorrow."

Participate in the UULM challenge to UUs to reduce their carbon emissions 1,000,000 pounds by Earth 2009? For more information see the Green Sanctuary table after the services today.

UUSS Harmonies -- Amateur musicians and singers meet to practice part-harmonies in hymns and other sing-along favorites -- just for our own pleasure. First meeting is Monday afternoon, September 15 in the Fahs Room.

Musicians: 1:00 pm

Singers: 1:30 pm.

Information: Judy Lane at (916) 457-4527 or jlane612@earthlink.net

UU members and friends recently donated \$376.53 to the Knoxville Relief Fund: The Fund will help bring ministry, spiritual care, and assistance to those affected by the tragedy.

Meadville Lombard is now offering courses in formats that make it easier for working religious professionals and lay leaders to broaden or deepen their theological and congregational understanding. Visit their website for a full listing and course syllabi:

http://www.meadville.edu/Ac_CourseOfferings.htm.

We still have our famous purple T-Shirts, but now only in children's sizes. Please take a free shirt for your children or grandchildren, nieces, nephews and slight-of-frame friends. They are available today in the bookstore at no cost.

Sacramento County Public Health & Trinity Cathedral Present "Unnatural Causes" - A Community Dialogue. This PBS video series explores root causes of this nation's poor health. 2620 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento Thursdays from September 11 through October 9, 6:30pm. Contact Barbara Hopkins for more information.

Volunteers are needed to sell lunches on Sundays after service, from approximately 12:30 to 1pm, one Sunday every few weeks. Please contact the office if you are available: 483-9283.

Volunteering at UUSS . . . Have you found your "niche" yet? If you are interested in being a volunteer in a specific capacity or want to know what options are available that might suit your interest and time, please check our Pathways brochure for contact names, or inquire at the office: 483-9283.

It's time to nominate community partners to receive half our collection plate. Each month we donate half of our collection plate to a community partner that provides services to people in the Sacramento area. If you have a favorite to include, nominate them by obtaining a nomination form from the Social Responsibility table or in the business office. Call Chuck O'Neil, 391-6274 for information

HRA is a State of California homeowner & renter assistance program for disabled persons and senior citizens. If you qualify, submit Claims for assistance now through October 1st. For more information, contact Linda Hoganson.



Recycle your printer cartridges and cell phones. Boxes in the office (on the floor near the copier) are waiting to receive your deposits

Anyone wanting a name tag may fill out the request form in the hanging basket on the name tag board in the lobby.

Ministers' Office Hours

- Rev. Doug Kraft will be at his office between 3 & 5 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and between 1 and 3 on Wednesdays. For an appointment contact him at Ext 201 or email doug@uuss.org
- Rev. Roger Jones is available Mondays 4-6pm, Wednesdays 2-4pm & Thursdays 10-Noon. For an appointment, feel free to call ext. 203 or write roger@uuss.org

UUSS Business office is open Monday through Friday, 10am-4pm, and staffed by volunteers on Sunday mornings before and after each service 483-9283.

Found items are often turned into the Business Office, where they are kept for the owner to claim. If you are missing an item, or if you find an item, please visit the office for assistance.