



News and Notes

What's Happening This Week?

Sunday, February 15

9:15 & 11am Worship Service
10:25am Children's Choir Reh.
10:30am Writing to Prisoners / Solitary
12:15pm LCC Meeting
5pm Movie Group
5pm Newcomer AA meeting
6pm Newsletter Deadline

Monday, February 16

7pm Chalice Circle 3M

Tuesday, February 17

7pm Chalice Circle 3Tu
7pm Music Ministry

Wednesday, February 18

12:30 Chalice Circle 3W
6pm OverEaters Anon
7:15pm Transitions Group
7:30pm Meditation Group

Thursday, February 19

9:45am Jonquil Women's Grp
6:30pm Council Meeting
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 20

7pm First Five, Importance of Early Education

Saturday, February 21

3pm Auction Activity

Sunday, February 22

9:15 Worship Service ONLY
10:25am Children's Choir Reh
10:30 Rev. Lora Brandis Farewell Celebration
12:15pm Dharma Workshop
5pm Newcomer AA meeting



Departing Ritual February 22

We have just a short time left in our shared ministry together. Shared-because that is how our tradition views ministry. I was called by you to be your minister and, free to make a choice, I said yes. When I arrived here I was given a beautiful box decorated with Justine's help by the children of this congregation. At my first worship service with you I requested the children write their wishes for themselves and for our shared ministry. At my last worship service I would like all of you to write wishes upon my departure. Wishes, hopes, dreams...whatever last work you would like to share with me. I'll invite you forward to place those wishes in the box and then I'll leave. From time to time I will draw a wish from the box and remember our time together. I'll remember our shared ministry to nurture spiritually courageous people who transform the world through justice and compassion.

In gratitude, Rev. Lora



Write a note....a wish!

Conejo Valley

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Sunday Service is held at 9:15 and 11:00,
with Coffee Hour in-between.

Children's Religious Education is held during
the 9:15 am service.

Childcare is provided during the 11:00 am
service. Visitors are always welcome!

Office Hours: Wed, Fri 9:00-1:00

ArtWall Installation: The Imaginings of Michael John Pittas

These are digital reproductions of original works inspired by waking dreams. The images are the product of the imagination and are not literal translations of any reality. I call my work "IMAGININGS". The works are usually narrative, telling a particular story. Or just done to explore a compelling image. The media varies; often beginning with pen and ink, pencil sketches, through digitizing processes and photomontage technique. Michael Pittas is a CVUUF friend/member since 1999 Profession: Retired



Join us for lively discussion the
2nd Monday of the month at 7:30pm @
Youth Lounge. For more info contact
Candy Gantka 805 492 4401 or
Arlene Bloom 805 300 9173
March 9, 2015 The Invention of Wings by
Sue Monk Kidd

April 13-Annual Pitch Mtg.: Come pitch books
you would like to read!

Chalice Players will hold auditions
for the April 26th, 2015 presentation
that will center on mental health.

Please fill out a form between ser-
vices in the Social hall on the first or
second Sunday in February. Five
actors will be cast in the production.
A meeting on the third Sunday in
February will give full information
on casting and rehearsals. Contact:

■ Mary Ellen Bruskotter, (805)469-7148



If you'd like to have your announcement included
in *News and Notes*, send info to:
NewsandNotes@cvuuf.org The deadline is
Tuesday evening. **News and Notes is now
available on-line.**

Upcoming Events

Manna Needs:

Pancake Mix Hot Cereal
Crackers Jam/Jelly
Syrup Mayonnaise
Mac & Cheese
Chicken Noodle Soup
Catsup Deodorant
Your help is greatly appreciated!



Hospitality Team

Lynne Herron, Sioe Hiang Han,
Noreen Powers, Sue Rosecrans

Sound & Lighting Team

Dana Ryon

Ushers

Carol Rosenthal, Anahi Quiroz,
Tom Bronzini, Phoebe Rivera

Community Forum:

Friday February 20th 7:00pm
"First Five"

The importance of early education

Chalice Players Director Ministerial Search Representative visit, March 22, 2015

Ministerial Search Representative, Rev Ken Collier, will visit our congregation on March 22, 2015. Rev. Ken, who is Minister Emeritus of the Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara, has received training to help congregations in search for a new settled minister. He will reflect on our upcoming search process, describe the procedures and timeline, explain the UUA's recommended best practices for selecting search committee members, and review the ways in which congregation members will be invited to provide input to the search process during the months ahead. The plan for the day is for Rev Ken to provide one Sunday morning worship service at 9:15, then lead a Town Hall meeting starting at 11:00 where he will respond to questions from the congregation. He will also meet with the Board and Leadership Cultivation Committee later that afternoon.

Ours is a democratic faith and the entire congregation will be involved in selecting a new minister. It is important that everyone understands what is happening as we move forward with the process. I hope you will attend on March 22 if you can.
Willie Lubka, Board President

Mark your calendar:

General Fun!
Pancake Breakfast
Fundraiser.

Between Services May 3, 2015



Caring Community



Our grateful, caring thoughts are with these:

We celebrate: Jessica Lesko's miracle baby turning 23; Anahi Quiroz new job with the Social Justice Fund & Sean Gantka's show sold to Nickelodeon.

If you are in need of pastoral care, a listening ear, a ride to church or care while you're ill our pastoral care team and neighborhood networks are here to help. Call the office for more information.

E-mail: pastoralcare@cvuuf.org or
Neighborhood@cvuuf.org to reach your neighborhood leaders.

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A Very Special Collection

All members and visitors are invited to participate in a collection to send Reverend Lora on her way with a check to help with relocation and her transition back to family and responsibilities in Texas. Checks and cash will be accepted.

Though tax deductible, the parting gift will not be considered part of your yearly pledge. If I may quote Lora,

"We are a generous people," and this gift will be one small way to show our love and appreciation for all Lora has poured into our congregation over these last few

years. Checks should be made out to CVUUF with a note directing the funds to Lora's departure gift." If you want your cash donation tracked on your account, please submit in an envelope labeled the same, with your name on it. Please give donations to any of the Committee on Ministry members (Rick Barton, Gaye Allen, Thelma Williams or Deborah Snider) or to Jessica Lesko, Office Admin. Any questions may be directed to Deborah Snider or Willie Lubka.



Help Needed for Farewell Party

MENU

Finger Sandwiches Quiches
Breakfast Pastries Fruits
Dessert and Drinks

Please see Mary Freed right away for donations of specific foods or donation of money toward food. If you are able to set up or clean up, please speak with Anahi Quiroz. We can't do our best without everyone's help. Thanks!

Staff Office Hours

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