



News and Notes

What's Happening This Week?

Sunday, February 8

9:15 & 11am Worship Service
10:25am Children's Choir Reh
12:15pm Dharma Workshop
2pm Gaming Afternoon
5pm Newcomer AA meeting

Monday, February 9

7pm Women's Evening Group
7:30pm Drop-In Bookclub

Tuesday, February 10

9:45am Gardenia Group
7pm CVUUF Board of Trustees Meeting
7:15pm Chalice Circle 2Tu

Wednesday, February 11

6pm OverEaters Anon
7pm Chalice Circle 2W
7:30pm Climate Action Team Meeting
7:30pm Meditation Group

Thursday, February 12

7pm Sapphire Covenant Grp
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 13

7:30pm Senator Fran Pavley

Saturday, February 14

2:30pm Emerald Covenant Grp
7pm Movie Group

Sunday, February 15

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



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. The final images are digitally printed on canvas. All the work exhibited here has been produced over the last 2 1/2 years. Michael Pittas is a CVUUF friend/member since 1999 Profession: Retired



Join us for lively discussion as your interest and time allow on the second Monday of the month at 7:30pm @ Youth Lounge. For more info contact Candy Gantka 805 492 4401 or Arlene Bloom 805 300 9173

Feb. 9, 2015 It's Complicated by Danah Boyd
March 9, 2015 The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd



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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



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

Chalice Players will hold auditions

for the April 26th, 2015 presentation that will center on mental health.

Please fill out a form between services 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 Chalice Players Director



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 13th 7:30pm

State Senator Fran Pavley will be our guest to discuss important environmental issues being addressed in Sacramento. Including: the state's independent study on fracking; response to our water crisis & efforts to continue California's climate change progress, as well as other vital environmental issues and their economic and health impacts. *Event sponsored by Ventura Climate Hub and Ventura County Climate care options Organized Locally (VC COOL)*

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

Game Day TODAY! February 8th



Caring Community



Our grateful, caring thoughts are with these:

We mourn with Colleen Ryan, whose husband Kirk passed away last Sunday

We were grieved to find out last Sunday, that former member Mikel Avery died last June

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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