### Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento ~ Week of May 18 - 25, 2025

### **Sunday May 18**

- 9:30am Intro to Qi Gong/Tai Chi Fahs Room
- 10:30am Sunday Service "Let's Hear it for Humanism!" Sanctuary & Online Rev. Dr. Roger Jones, preaching.
- 10:30am Soul Kids Contact: reauuss.org
- 10:30am Junior High Youth Group (JHYG)
- 10:30am Senior High Youth Group (SHYG)
- **11:45am Congregational Meeting Sanctuary** Please attend after service. Members will be voting on church officers, the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan and next year's budget. To do this we need a quorum. Your vote is very important!

### Monday May 19

- 10:00am Watercolor Classes The watercolor classes taught by Aziz Tokhi on Mondays will not be held Monday, 19th and 28th. They will resume in June. Those interested can sign up at the Connections Table on Sundays. adulterrichment@uuss.org
- **10:00am Lectio Divina Reading & Responding to Poetry** w/JoAnn Anglin Zoom *uuss.org/online* First and third Monday mornings. All are welcome!

### **Tuesday May 20**

- **10:00am Ted's Web Discussion Group Library**. Political discussion group. In-person 1st & 3rd Tues. Online 2nd & 4th Tues. *tedsweb@uuss.org* for Zoom link.
  - **1:30pm** Write postcards to Virginia voters Put your rage/fear/intentions to good use! We will write to Black voters in Virginia for their crucial primary. Contact: *UUtheVote@uuss.org*

### Wednesday May 21

**7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary** All welcome! Please join us: sing, make connections and share a wonderful year of music and community! **anthony@uuss.org** 

### Thursday May 22

**11:00am - Folk Dance Class - Welcome Hall** International Folk dance for everyone, no experience or partner needed. All welcome! Contact: adultenrichment@uuss.org.

**6:30pm** - UUSS Board of Trustees Meeting - Library or online at <a href="https://www.uuss.org/online">www.uuss.org/online</a> more info.

### Friday May 23

**6:30pm** - Beyond The Deep End of Meditation: Spontaneous
Discussions with Delson Armstrong and Doug Kraft - Fahs
Room Visit remote territories of consciousness, perception, and meaning. Cost? Free-will donation to the dana bowl. Info at the Connections table or <u>adulterrichment@uuss.org</u> Sign up for both today and May 24, 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. is not required, but we appreciate an idea of how many are coming.

### Saturday May 24

- **9:30am** Beyond The Deep End of Meditation: Spontaneous Discussions with Delson Armstrong and Doug Kraft Fahs Room (see above)
- **5:00pm Game Night Welcome Hall** No gaming experience necessary!

  Geared toward younger adults (aged 18- 40), but feel free to bring your friends, partners, and family of any age. Childcare is not available but please reach out if this is a barrier. Contact:

  youngadultgroup@uuss.org

### Sunday May 25

- 9:30am Embodied Practices for Stressful Times Fahs Room
- **10:30am Sunday Service "Heroism!" Sanctuary & Online** Rev. Lucy Bunch, preaching.
- **11:45am POC Caucus Meet & Greet -** Sanctuary Bring snacks to share for hospitality and conversation.
- 12:00pm Exploring Unitarian Universalism Fahs Room
- 12:00pm NAMI Program Fahs Room Join Patricia Wentzel for a discussion of Sacramento's Mental Health community resources and NAMI programs. Suitable for individuals with mental health conditions and families and friends; anyone interested in learning about Mental Health services in the community.

  partners@uuss.org

# 7:00pm - Benefit concert for our Pink Haven gender refugee project at UUSS. "Trans Joy and Resistance" will feature local trans/nonbinary musicians: indie folk-pop duo Dogprayer, multigenre bass-baritone singer Michael Alexander Aoun, and folk/country songwriter Eli Conley, who will perform with an acoustic trio. There will be baked goodies and interactive fun. Suggested donation is \$25 per person. Tickets are available in

advance at tinyurl.com/transjoymay25

## **OFFICE CLOSED May 26 for Memorial Day**

#### Staff and Minister Availability

**Our Ministers** are available for pastoral support or just to get acquainted. We welcome your' input! To schedule an appointment email Rev. Roger: **rjones@uuma.org** or Rev. Lucy's calendar: **calendly.com/revlucyb** or **lucy@uuss.org** Ministers' day off is Monday.

Our office staff (<u>office@uuss.org</u> or 916-483-9283) are available to respond to your phone calls and emails weekdays 8:30-4:30. Religious Education Coordinator <u>CrystalFountain@uuss.org</u> Pianist <u>irina@uuss.org</u> and Music Director <u>anthony@uuss.org</u>

### We Want to Hear from You!

**Beloved Community at UUSS** On behalf of the UUSS strategic plan, your Justice and Equity Team (JET) at UUSS is inviting you to participate in a congregational survey to gather information to help us begin to understand the climate around certain issues related to diversity, welcoming, and belonging. Responses are anonymous and the survey is available by using this QR code:



### **Sunday Morning Programs at UUSS**

Join us before the service at 9:30 AM at UUSS

- **First Sunday** Labvrinth Walk Meadow
- **Second Sunday -** No program at this time
- **Third Sunday** Oi Gong/Tai Chi (Covered Patio)
- Fourth Sunday NEW Embodied Practices for Stressful Times Fahs Room. Feeling anxious and stressed about the state of the world? Rev. Lucy will teach gentle movement and practices to help us process anxiety in these stressful times. All bodies are welcome.

**Exploring Unitarian Universalism** is now after the service at noon on the 4th Sunday. Come learn about UU Values & Beliefs with Rev. Roger. Designed for newcomers, all are welcome. **12pm, May 25** 

### Our Community Partner for May NAMI Sacramento

Ways to Donate to the Shared Offering

- Text your amount to (916) 619-0903 (a first-time setup is required, but after that it's very easy)
- Online: Visit *uuss.org/donate*
- Mail a check to UUSS, 2425 Sierra Blvd, Sac 95825

**Apply for Endowment Trust Funds** Does your committee have an idea for a project for UUSS? A small percentage of the Endowment is intended to be released annually. This year it is around \$10,000. Not a source of ongoing funds but intended for new/special ideas for congregational betterment. <a href="mailto:uuss.org/donate/endowment">uuss.org/donate/endowment</a> (submit proposal and budget). Applications due June 1, distributed by July 31. Questions? <a href="mailto:endowment@uuss.org">endowment@uuss.org</a>.

### How You Can Help

**We Need Your Help!** UU the Vote's current postcards should be mailed by May 30; we need to distribute them all this week if possible, so you have time enough to write them. Donations are optional; please grab a pack! Contact: **UUtheVote@uuss.org** 

**Sandwich Brigade** Please bring your lunches to UUSS by 10am on **Wed. May 21**. Include: PBJ sandwich, a soft fruit, a granola bar or cookie in a paper bag labeled PBJ. Water may be stored separately. Thank you.

**The Houseless in your Neighborhood Need your Help!** Currently, UUSS Mercy Pedalers are serving in Arden Arcade, Carmichael, and midtown. There are houseless people living near you that need your help. Join us by going out once a week in your car or bike. We will train you and provide the supplies. Come to our cart in the entryway any Sunday to find out how to get started. Contact: <a href="mercypedalers@uuss.org">mercypedalers@uuss.org</a>

### Coming Up

**Mindfulness Meditation**--Join Rev. Roger on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wednesdays of the month at UUSS or at <u>www.uuss.org/online</u> at 6:00pm. **Next one: May 27** 

### Our Choir's UU Values Concert Event Sunday, June 8, 2:00pm, Sanctuary

"Core Values in Song" This special event will feature instrumentalists and singers from the congregation as they explore the UU shared values through music. You are sure to hear some choir and other favorites from the past alongside fresh new offerings by a great variety of performers. No charge, but donations welcome. Musician who did not receive prior communications from Anthony, contact him at <a href="mailto:anthony@uuss.org">anthony@uuss.org</a>. If you would like to help in a non-musical capacity, you are welcome.

**UUA General Assembly**--June 18-22, in Baltimore or online. Our denomination's conference includes worship, workshops; voting and community-building experiences. UUSS will cover your delegate fee up to \$410. Contact Rev. Roger or Board Member Sally Wilkins! <u>uua.org/ga</u>

**Summer Singing:** The Treble Ensemble would love to expand. If you have choral experience and the skills to learn vocal music on your own, and you yearn for the camaraderie of a cappella singing, this may be a good fit. Let's chat. Contact Christiana Quick-Cleveland *treble@uuss.org*.