Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento ~ Week of Nov. 29 – Dec. 6, 2026

Sunday November 29

10:30am - **Soul Kids – Room 12** ***RE@uuss.org*** with Rev. Roger & Annette Orella

10:30am - **Worship Service "The Power of Fiction"** - **Sanctuary & Online** Rev. Lucy Bunch, leading.

Monday November 30

*****No Events Scheduled*****

Tuesday December 1

10:00am - **Ted's Web Discussion Group – Library** We meet every Tuesday for open discussion of current events and politics in person 10 a.m. to 12:00pm AND as a separate group on Tuesday evenings on Zoom at 6:30 p.m. Contact ***tedsweb@uuss.org*** for the link.

Wednesday December 2

6:00pm - **UU Christian Fellowship - Library.** Our UU Christian Fellowship chapter celebrates hope, the first week of Advent, with candle lighting, prayer, and music. All are welcome! Contact: ***uuchristian@uuss.org***

6:00pm - **Good Trouble Gang – Room 6** We are a group of nonviolent, creative and caring people who want to work to defend democracy and build a more just community. We will be discussing our next moves and setting new goals now that we had glorious election results. Contact Wendy Cioni at ***goodtrouble@uuss.org***

6:30pm - **New Testament Conversations – Library** (first Wednesday of the month) -- drop in to share perspectives about Jesus of Nazareth. Pick up a used Bible in the Bookstore on Sunday so you can read ahead of time. Voluntary donations welcome. Reading: the Gospel of Mark 8:22-26.

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

Thursday December 3

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 - **Men's Group Weeknight Meeting – Room 12** We're a diverse community of male and/or masculine identifying people seeking fellowship, personal growth, and meaningful conversations. Contact us at ***mensgroup@uuss.org***

Friday December 4

5:30pm - **Holiday Tree-trimming Party & Potluck Dinner - Welcome Hall** We invite all ages to join us for Christmas carols around the piano; crafts for Kwanzaa, Hanukkah and Christmas; food, and decorating our two UUSS trees! Bring a dish to share if you can. Friends and family are welcome! Contact RE Coordinator Crystal Fountain with questions: ***CrystalFountain@uuss.org***

Saturday December 5

10:00am - **Saturday Stitchers and Crafters** – Fahs Room. Bring your favorite hobby and join in this fun community activity. No RSVP required and all are welcome. Contact Karen Sparrow at ***stitchers@uuss.org***

Sunday December 6

9:30am - **1st Sunday Labyrinth Walk – Meadow**

10:30am - **Worship Service "The Power of Wow"** - **Sanctuary & Online** Rev. Lucy Bunch preaching.

10:30am - **Soul Kids –** ***re@uuss.org***

10:30am - **Junior High Youth Group (JHYG) -** ***re@uuss.org***

10:30am - **Senior High Youth Group (SHYG) -** ***re@uuss.org***

11:30am - **Soup Sunday – Welcome Hall** Hosted by the UUSS Choir. All are welcome to enjoy a warm bowl of soup, fresh bread, and a cookie. Free will donations accepted. Contact: Tiki Harlow or Peggy Cranston at ***soupsunday@uuss.org***

12:00pm - **UU Christian Fellowship - Library.** Our UU Christian Fellowship chapter celebrates hope, the second week of Advent, with candle lighting, prayer, and music. All are welcome! Contact: ***uuchristian@uuss.org***

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 (he/him): ***rjones@uuma.org*** or Rev. Lucy's(she/her) calendar: ***calendly.com/revlucyb*** or ***lucy@uuss.org*** *Ministers' Day off is Monday.

Ministerial Intern **Sophia McKean** (they, them) ***sophia@uuss.org***. Sophia is available for pastoral support by phone, Zoom or in person. They are on campus Tuesdays and Sundays and by appointment.

Our office staff (***office@uuss.org*** or 916-483-9283) are available to respond to your phone calls and emails Tuesday - Friday 8:30-4:30. Closed Mondays. Religious Education Coordinator ***CrystalFountain@uuss.org***, Member Engagement Coordinator Nicolette Thayer ***nicolette@uuss.org,*** Pianist ***irina@uuss.org*** and Music Director ***anthony@uuss.org***

Sunday Morning Programs at UUSS

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

- **First Sunday** Labyrinth Walk - Meadow
- **Second Sunday** – no program
- **Third Sunday -** Qi Gong/Tai Chi (Covered Patio)
- **Fourth Sunday** - Embodied Practices for Stressful Times

Exploring Unitarian Universalism after the service at noon on the 4th Sunday of each month. Designed for newcomers, all are welcome. **Dec. 27: UU Social Justice**

Our Community Partner for the 5th Sunday in November

Effie Yeaw Nature Center

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

Auction update: Thanks to all the Sparkle of Community auction donors of experiences, dinners, outings and lessons! If you have not received the Nov. 9 e-mail with the name of the item winners, please check your spam folder. If you still can't find it, please contact ***auctionhelp@uuss.org***.

Coming Up

Mindfulness Meditation with Rev. Roger and Others Wednesday Dec. 9 at 6:00 pm in the Library/Bookstore No experience necessary. After brief introductions and brief words of guidance, we invite mindful attention to our breathing for 20 minutes and sit in silence. Total time together is about 30 minutes. Please arrive by 6:00, especially if it's your first time. ***roger@uuss.org***

Crone Connection (for wise older women) Friday, Dec. 11 at 10:00 am in the Welcome Hall. We explore our strengths and wisdom, share our stories, support, inspire each other and laugh. Open to any woman who identifies herself as an elder. Email Marla Jensen at ***croneconnection@uuss.org***

Forum: Bushy Lake Eco-Cultural Restoration Project: Reciprocity in Action on Sunday, Dec. 13 at noon, Fahs Room. UUSS member Dr. Michelle Stevens, a Nez Perce descendent of the Colville Reservation and Professor Emerita at Sacr State, will be talking about the ecological and cultural restoration at Bushy Lake, near Cal Expo. The talk will be followed by an invitation to **visit Bushy Lake, Saturday, Dec. 19** from 9:00am - 12:00pm.

Holiday Open House - Wednesday, Dec. 16 3:00-6:00pm UUSS Welcome Hall Let's Celebrate the Season with Fellowship & Refreshments. Stop by UUSS this afternoon to visit with ministers and staff, members and friends. Enjoy a hot beverage, snacks, and warm conversation. We'll provide coffee, tea, and snacks, but if you like to bake or find yourself with more treats than you can eat, feel free to bring some and well share them!