UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Sunday, April 21, 2024
10:15 a.m.

To have your joys and sorrows shared aloud, please write them on a card found at the table in the entrance lobby, or up front near the pulpit. A silent candle on the front table is always welcome as well.
If you're online, later you'll be prompted on when to input your message in the Zoom chat box.

Welcome and Announcements **WA or minister's name**

Events today:
Sunday School for children and youth preK through grade 8 Sunday, 4/21 10:15 am
Spiritual Adventures In Parenting Sunday, 4/21 11:30 am, Fireside Room
2024 Annual Meeting Sunday, 4/21 12:00 pm, Main Hall
Harmonic Circle Sunday, 4/21 1:00 pm, Room 4-5
Senior High Youth Group – SHYG Sunday, 4/21 6:30 pm

This Week:
Gardening @ UUCPA Monday, 4/22 10:00 am
Sacred Text Reading Group (Wed.) Wednesday, 4/24 12:00 pm, Online
How Did We Get Here, Where Can We Go?: Understanding Israel/Palestine for Engagement Friday, 4/26 2:30 pm, Room A
Saturday Meditation Saturday, 4/27 9:00 am, Online
Sacred Text Reading Group (Saturday) Saturday, 4/27 4:00 pm, Online

Selected Upcoming Events:
Forum Topic Selection Sunday, 4/28 8:30 am, Library
Sunday School for children and youth preK through grade 8 Sunday, 4/28 10:15 am
Sunday Service Sunday, 4/28 10:15 am, UUCPA Main Hall & Online
4th Sunday Brunch Sunday, 4/28 11:15 am, Patio
ALJ Class: Getting to Know PRIDEnet: Accelerating LGBTQIA+ Health Research Sunday, 4/28 11:45 am, Fireside Room

Spiritual Adventures In Parenting, UUCPA's group for parents of children between the ages of birth and tween, meets again today, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, following the church service. We'll gather in the Fireside Room. Childcare will be provided. If you are a voting member *of UUCPA,* please be sure to fill out and return an absentee or proxy ballot. (Here are the instructions for doing so!) That way, your vote will be counted and help ensure a congregational quorum. To learn more, email spiritualparenting@uucpa.org.

Prelude *What the World Needs Now Is Love,* Burt Bacharach, Hal David **Larry Chinn**

Chalice Lighting

Centering Words Lynne Twist

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Story for All Ages *Cinderumpelstiltskin,* Jon Scieszka **Cat Boyle**

Song *When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place,* No. 1008 in the teal hymnal
Words & Music: Joyce Poley, 1941-, ©1996 Songstyle Music

Chorus:
When our heart is in a holy place,
When our heart is in a holy place,
We are bless'd with love and amazing grace,
When our heart is in a holy place.

When we trust the wisdom in each of us,
Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other's eyes,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus

When we tell our story from deep inside,
And we listen with a loving mind,
And we hear our voices in each other's words,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus

When we share the silence of sacred space,
And the God of our Heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other's faith,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus

All who are going to Children and Youth Religious Education sing along in their places
until the last verse, when they leave for CYRE via the lobby

Caring and Sharing

Litany of Welcome for New Members **Elsa Schafer, co-chair, Membership and Growth**
Buzz Frahn, Board chair

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Song *For the Earth Forever Turning,* No. 163 in the gray hymnal
Words & Music: Kim Oler, ©1990 Boosey & Hawkes, Inc

For the earth forever turning; for the skies, for ev'ry sea;
for our lives, for all we cherish, sing we our joyful song of peace.

For the mountains, hills, and pastures in their silent majesty;
for the stars, for all the heavens, sing we our joyful song of peace.

For the sun, for rain and thunder, for the seasons' harmony,
for our lives, for all creation, sing we our joyful praise to Thee.

For the world we raise our voices, for the home that gives us birth;
in our joy we sing returning home to our bluegreen hills of earth.

Reflection **Robert Neff**

Anthem *A Gentle Alleluia* (J.S. Bach; arr. Spevacek) **UUCPA Adult Choir**

Sermon *Abundant Life* **Amy Morgenstern**

Offering *What a Wonderful World,* Bob Thiele, George David Weiss **Larry Chinn**

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or send the text message "uucpaoffering" to the number 44321.
For payments towards your annual pledge, use "uucpa20232024."

Thank you!

Song *Vieni Spirito Creatore,* No. 1049 in the teal hymnal
words: unknown; music: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Vieni spirito creatore,
vieni, vieni
Vieni spirito creatore,
vieni, vieni

(translation: Come, creator spirit, come)

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Chalice Extinguishing

Sung Benediction **UUCPA Adult Choir**

Postlude *It's a Wonderful World*, Harold Adamson, Jan Savitt, Johnny Watson **Larry Chinn**

Benediction **All**

Go out into the world in peace
Be of good courage
Hold fast to what is good
Return no one evil for evil
Strengthen the faint-hearted
Support the weak
Help the suffering
Rejoice in beauty
Speak love with word and deed
Honor all beings.

Greeting Time

Music Director: Bruce Olstad **Pianist:** Veronika Agranov-Dafoe
Special music: Larry Chinn, jazz piano
Guest Worship Associate: Robert Neff
Ushers & Greeters: Jeralyn Moran
Worship tech and online community creation: Tim Berry, Byron Brown, Kay Brown, Heather Chen, Kristi Iverson, Paul Kostka, Steve Ludington, Kevin Ma, William Phelps, Pamela Schure, Jesse Schwab, Ann Zeise.

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