



From DeeAnne our Board President:

...As we start to plan for our campus and parking renovations keep in mind that our parking and our chairs are at a premium on Sunday mornings. To help ensure that we have spaces aplenty for visitors - and can be radically hospitable, as [our ends statements](#) call us to be - the board suggests a few possibilities to allow for everyone to feel welcome:



Ride your bike, or ride-share with others when you are able.

Park on the street if you are very mobile, leaving spaces for newcomers who arrive later.

Park further in the parking lot if you are very mobile, leaving closer spaces for those who will appreciate a shorter walk.

Sit in the middle of the row instead of on the aisles - those who arrive late will appreciate having an easy seat to find without bothering those already sitting.

2018-2019 Chalice Circle Sign-Up

VUU's small group ministry program, Chalice Circles, will begin late September 2018 and will run until the end of April 2019. These twice monthly gatherings of up to 8 people feature deep listening and allow for quiet reflection on vital issues of faith and life. Meaningful connection with others and grounding in our shared values result from the deep listening and thoughtful sharing.

To sign-up or for more information, visit the VUU Website or e-mail chalicecircles@vuu.org.

To sign up, click on this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d49adab22a64-chalice1>

If you prefer, you may also call Molly McNamara at 515-450-0843.



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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9AM – 5PM; closed Fridays

A Welcoming Community

Sunday, September 16

Vocation, Journey –

from Jehovah's Witnesses to Unitarian Universalists

With: Randy Galbraith

8:30a – 10:00a Dalai Lama – Room 5

8:45a – 10:15a 5th & 6th Grade OWL – Room 2

8:45a – 10:15a Parent OWL, 5th & 6th Grade – Board Room

10:30a – 11:30a Service – Sanctuary

11:45a – 1:00p LGBTQ Spectrum Meeting – Room 5

11:45a - 1:00p VUUJAZ Meeting - Sanctuary Patio

2:15p - 2:30p Leadership Development Meeting – Conf. Room

1:30p - 3:00p Voices Lifted Singers - Room 1

4:00p – 6:00p Desert Lotus Koan Group – Room 2

Monday, September 17

5:00p – 7:30a I-HELP Shelter – VUU Sanctuary; Meal: AMWA

Tuesday, September 18

2:00p – 2:30p Staff Meeting – Minister's Office

6:00p - 9:00p NefeshSoul - Kol Nidre - Sanctuary

7:00p - 9:00p 7th Principle Discussion Group - Board Room

7:30p – 9:00p Adult Choir - Rooms 1 & 2

Wednesday, September 19

8:00a - 6:30p - NefeshSoul - Yom Kippur - Sanctuary

7:00p - 8:30p Spirit of Life - Rooms 1 & 2

Thursday, September 20

5:00p - 9:00p Forum - Candidates for Kyrene School Board - Sanctuary

5:30p - 7:00p Finance Committee Meeting - Board Room

7:15p - 9:00p NSG Book Club - Offsite

Friday, September 21 -- Office Closed

4:30p - 7:30p Wayfarers Happy Hour - Offsite

Saturday, September 22

2:00p – 5:00p Cabaret Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Sunday, September 23

A Blue-Collar Vocation: Social Class and Our Callings

With Rev. Andy Burnette

8:30a – 10:00a Dalai Lama – Room 5

8:45a – 10:15a 5th & 6th Grade OWL – Room 2

8:45a – 10:15a Parent OWL, 5th & 6th Grade – Board Room

10:30a – 11:30a Service – Sanctuary

12:00p – 2:00p VUU Women's Group - Sanctuary

12:00a - 1:00p Social Action Orientation - Board Room

4:00p – 6:00p Desert Lotus Koan Group – Board Room

5:00p - 8:00p NefeshSoul Sukkah Celebration - Room 1 and

Education Grounds

VUU SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY
Promoting Social, Economic and Environmental Justice

VUUJAZ Coffee Conversations – Sept. 16

The VUUJAZ coffee conversations group (VUU's "Legislative Ministry") will meet on the patio Sunday, Sept. 16 from noon to 1 to share information and updates on our social justice work in Arizona and on the Nov. election. All are welcome!

Sign up for the Legislative Alert!!

Want to keep up on what's happening to social justice legislation in Arizona? The Arizona Legislative Alert is an e-mail newsletter covering social justice and public policy issues in Arizona edited by Anne Schneider, Ph.D., VUU member. Sign up for your own copy of the Arizona Legislative Alert by e-mailing legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org

Paz de Cristo needs YOU Are you a UU looking for another way to help others who are less fortunate? Make a commitment to help feed the hungry at Paz de Cristo on a second Friday in September, October or November. Each month, VUU needs 20 volunteers to satisfy our long running commitment to this wonderful charity.

[Please check here for availability and sign up](#) – we'd love to serve with you! Send questions to pazdecristo@vuu.org



September Donation of the Month: Canned Tuna and Canned Chicken

Please support our focus charity, Paz de Cristo, by bringing in a donation of canned tuna and canned chicken at any time during the month of September. Drop your donation in the designated container in the foyer of the sanctuary. In July, VUU members provided 82 food items and over 200 nonfood items, to Paz de Cristo to help homeless and unemployed families in the Valley. What a great way to give help to others when it is so hot outside!



I-HELP (Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program) Through our work with the Chandler I-HELP program, VUU provides dinner and over-night shelter for 20 - 25 individuals three - four Monday nights a month. I-HELP questions? Contact Sue office@vuu.org

Thank you for Supporting the VUU Social Action Ministry

If you have ideas, comments or questions about our Social Action Ministry, please contact Willa Cree socialaction@vuu.org

WOMEN'S GROUP: September 23, 2018 All women are welcome to meet with us as we get better acquainted with one another. This month is special; Anne Schneider will speak to us about why she writes poetry. For years Anne has been a VUU leader. Plus, she writes the AZ LEGISLATIVE ALERT. She also writes poetry and takes nature photos. There will be time for questions and for sharing. Fill your plate in the kitchen, then meet at the front of the sanctuary, Sunday September 23, 2018 after the service and coffee hour. Contact: Johnnie Godfrey, 480-231-8381 johnniegirl85218@gmail.com, or Margaret Stewart, mjs.ontheroad@gmail.com.

Our theme this school year is Unitarian Universalism

The first class is Sunday, Sept. 9th, register your kids, [use this link](#).

Preschool: *We are Many, We are One*; encourages children to use their minds, bodies, and emotions to develop their sense of identity and self-esteem and connect with our Unitarian Universalist Principles.

Kinder/1st grade: Combining 2 curricula from the UUA: *Wonderful Welcome* - intangible gifts central to UUism (friendship, hospitality, and fairness) & *Love Surrounds Us* – explores the UU Principles in the context of Beloved Community of family/home, school, and neighborhood.

2nd/3rd grades: *Free To Believe*: Activities, games, stories and discussions to explore the 7 Unitarian Universalist Principles and how they lead us to find personal answers to some “big questions” around faith, death, and creation.

4th/5th grades: *Harry and UU: A social action curriculum based on J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter* books uses discussion and magical activities to engage the children and empower them to become more motivated and passionate about social action. Knowledge of the books or movies is not necessary to participate in this class.

6th – 8th grades: *The Questing Year*: UUism, Social Justice, Personal, & Spiritual and Ritual exploration are investigated in a variety of activities including the production of a “mirror board” and discussing topics with their “alien.”

9th – 12th grades: *Compass Points*: through discussion and activities youth explore their selves, their beliefs, their UU faith, & their relationships with others and the world.



VUU Will Have TWO SUNDAY SERVICES Beginning October 14th!

SEPTEMBER 18

New: 7th Principle and My Impact, discussion group

Lead by Jerry Waters, this group grew out of the Best Diet for Me discussion group.

Focusing on the 7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence, of which we are a part, how are we affecting our planet. Discussions will revolve around climate change, blue zones, mining, food production and more!

Our first meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 18th, 7 pm VUU conference room.

Make a note: When we moved to 2 worship services in October – we will meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month, during the faith formation hour.

SEPTEMBER 19 SPIRIT OF LIFE READING GROUP

Our VUU Spirit of Life group will be reconvening in September and our first session will be Wednesday, September 19, 7 to 8:30 in Rooms 1 and 2. Please hold the date and hope to see you there! Also, feel free to invite friends and others who might be interested.

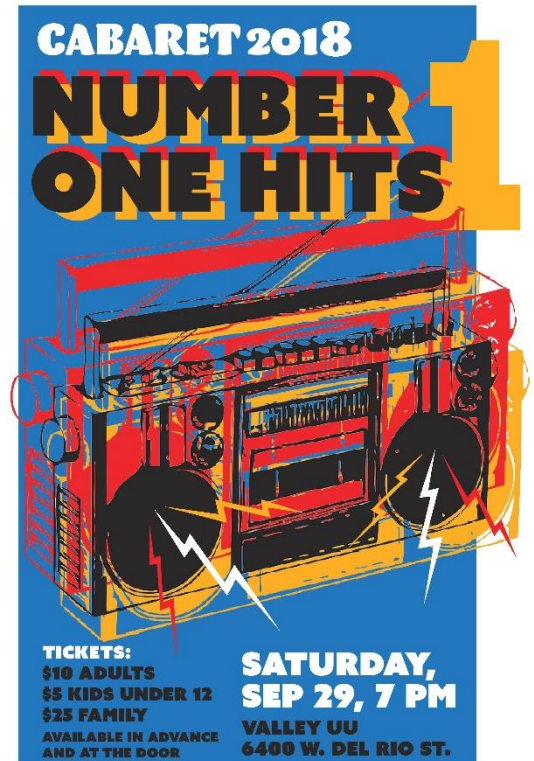
For links to the readings, contact Anne at anne.schneider1941@gmail.com

1. A BROCHURE FROM UUCOMMONGROUND ABOUT UUism AND WHETHER WE CAN BE THE "NEW RELIGION" THE WORLD NEEDS.
2. REV. DAVID BUMBAUGH, UU MINISTER, ARTICLE IN UU WORLD, "THE UNFULFILLED DREAM" ABOUT THE NEED FOR THEOLOGICAL COHERENCE
3. REV. DAVID BUMBAUGH EXCERPTS FROM A 2009 SERMON ON WHAT UUs HAVE TO OFFER

SEPTEMBER 20 The N.S.G. (Not So Great) Book Club

The September 20 book is A Tangled Mercy by Joy Jordan-Lake. In this novel, Kate is determined to unearth groundbreaking information on a failed 1822 slave revolt – the subject of her mother's own research. She goes to Charleston, South Carolina, the place where her parents met, convinced it holds the key.

For the meeting address or questions, please contact Johnnie at 480-839-0544, Amy at 480-917-1922, or email: agmonahan@gmail.com. Meeting time is 7:15 p.m. All are welcome.



Every Sunday **Dalai Lama** - 9:00am - Rm 5
 Contact: David Black DavidBlackDLF@gmail.com

1st Sunday **Share the Plate** with our focus charity (Paz de Cristo)
 (alternating monthly with Compassion in Action)
Green Sanctuary
 Contact: greensanctuary@vuu.org

2nd Sunday **Stewardship Committee**, 12:00-1:30pm
 Contact: DeeAnne McClenahan

3rd Sunday **Newsletter Deadline**
 Contact: Gilda Czerwonka penguin1@cox.net

3rd Sunday **Leadership Development Committee**, 12:15pm

4th Sunday **VUU Women's Group**, lunch/meet after Service, Rms 1&2
 Contact: Margaret Stewart mjs.ontheroad@gmail.com

1st/2nd/3rd/5th Mon **I-HELP** Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program
 Contact office@vuu.org

1st Tuesday **Facilities Team**, 9:30a - 11:00a Conference Rm
 Contact: Debbie Dinyes facilities@vuu.org

4th Tuesday **VUU Board**, 6:30p - 8:30p Board Rm or Video Call
 Contact: DeeAnne McClenahan board.president@vuu.org

Every Tuesday **Chalice Singers** 6:15pm Sanctuary

Every Tuesday **Choir** - 7:30pm Sanctuary music@vuu.org

Every Tuesday **Bell Choir** - 6:00pm Sanctuary bells@vuu.org

2nd Thursday **EastVUU** - 6:00p - 8:30p; location varies; Info: Sharon Kopina, 1004slk1950@gmail.com

3rd Thursday **Finance Committee**, 5:30p Board Rm or Video Call
 Contact: David Sheh finance@vuu.org

3rd Friday **Wayfarers Happy HoUUr**
 Contact: Jan Waters watersjj9790@gmail.com

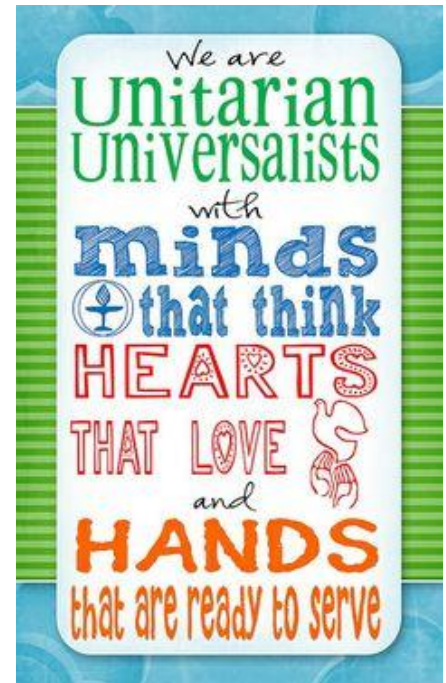
4th Friday **Singles VUU**: Monthly dinner.
 Contact: Claudette Wassil (973-768-6047)

1st Saturday **Social Suppers**
 Contact: Nick Carr circlesuppers@vuu.org

(as needed) **Publicity** available for your good works and events!
 Contact: Laurie Fagan lauriefagen@gmail.com or Beverly McCormick tempebev1@gmail.com

(see calendar) **Worship Ministry**, 7:00p - 9:00p Sanctuary

(varies) Contact: Rev. Dr. Andy Burnette revandy@vuu.org



Membership at VUU: Contact Lauree Perry, lperry98@earthlink.net or Rev. Kellie Walker Hart, music@vuu.org, if you are interested in membership.

Sanctuary Flowers: Remember someone special or a special occasion by sponsoring altar flowers. Sign up at the Altar Flowers table located at the back of the sanctuary and follow the instructions to leave your \$20 by cash or check and remember to take the flowers with you after the service (but leave the vase! 😊)

Thank you for making the Sanctuary more beautiful!

Caring, Concerns, and Joys Email: Send your joys and sorrows to caring@vuu.org. We'll include them in our monthly newsletter, unless you wish to keep it private. You may also include a request to be contacted by the minister, a pastoral care associate, or your neighborhood contact.

Announcements: Call the office [480.899.4249](tel:480.899.4249) or send an email to office@vuu.org by 4 PM on Tuesdays to have an announcement about a VUU event/meeting included in the next Sunday's Bulletin.

Room Rentals Available: There are classrooms in our RE facility available for either short-term or long-term rental by members and non-members alike. The Sanctuary is also available to rent. Contact the office to reserve.

Use of tables on the Sanctuary Patio/back of the Sanctuary: *The Congregation Administrator coordinates the use of the space at the rear of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings. If you need to table information for a VUU ministry or event, or for an outside ministry or event, please notify the office at least three weeks in advance by e-mailing office@vuu.org. Except for a Faith Formation check-in table, there will be no permanent displays or tables inside either the sanctuary or the foyer.*

