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**A Welcoming Community**

**Sunday, November 18**

*Thankful: Cultivating a Timeless Gratitude*

with: Rev. Andy

8:30a – 9:00a Dalai Lama & Friends Meditation – Room 5

**9:15a – 10:15a Service – Sanctuary**

10:30a – 11:15a – Children, Youth, Adult Faith Formation

**11:30a – 12:30p Service – Sanctuary**

**12:45p – 2:00p All VUU Meeting – Capital Campaign**

**Next Steps**

12:30 – 1:45p VUU LGBTQ+ SPECTRUM Meeting – Room 5

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

**Monday, November 19**

5:30p – 7:30a I-HELP Shelter – Sanctuary; Meal: American Muslim Women's Association

6:00p – 7:30p Leadership Development Committee – Board Room and ZOOM

**Tuesday, November 20**

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

6:00p – 7:30p Chalice Ringers, Handbell Choir – Sanctuary

6:30p – 8:00p Tai Chi – Room 2

**7:30p – 9:00p Tempe Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - Offsite**

**Wednesday, November 21**

**Thursday, November 22**

**Thanksgiving Day**

5:00p – 8:00am I-HELP Thanksgiving Dinner and Overnight Stay - Sanctuary

**Friday, November 23-- Office Closed**

6:30p – 8:30p VUU Singles Dinner Out - Offsite

**Saturday, November 24**

9:30a – 2:30p SEMA Foundation School – Rooms 3, 4, 6, 7, 8

**Sunday, November 25**

*The Practice of Gratitude*

with Dr. Melanie Cloonan-Schulte

(Blurb: "Is gratitude an emotion you feel or an action to be undertaken? Can we become better at being grateful?")

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## **2019 FUUNd Together has begun**

Would you like to support VUU by getting together with friends and having **FUUN**? Then why not consider donating your time and talents to this year's **FUUNd Together** auction? Here's how it works.

VUU members and friends like you will sign up to host events such as dinners, movie nights, hikes, arts & crafts, pool parties, etc. and/or to offer lessons, legal services, home repair, baked goods, vacation rentals, etc. A catalog of these donations will be created, and the donations will be sold by silent auction on Sunday mornings in February.

Absolutely everyone is invited to join the **FUUNd**!! Visit us at the **FUUNd** table after services beginning November 11<sup>th</sup>. **FUUNd** volunteers will joyfully accept your donation(s), answer questions about the auction, and even help you brainstorm ideas.

**ALSO**, if you would like to join the **FUUNd Together** auction committee, we would LOVE to have your help. Volunteers are needed to take donations on Sunday mornings, assist with the silent auction in February, and/or share their computer programming (ACCESS) and data entry skills. Please email [fuundtogether@vuu.org](mailto:fuundtogether@vuu.org) or contact Debbe at 480-244-6570 if you are interested.

*In 2018, **FUUNd** raised more than \$19,000 to support VUU's mission and programs!  
Just imagine what we can do with **your** help in 2019!!*

### **Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Singles Monthly Dinner – Perfect Pear Bistro**

9845 S Priest Dr., Tempe, AZ 85284. NE corner of Ray Rd & Priest Dr. This Bistro's food and beverage menus change regularly to feature fresh flavors and seasonal ingredients, so there are always new dishes to try, with their selections of fresh salads, sandwiches, grilled cheeses, soups, tacos, pasta dishes, appetizers and more. You can enjoy craft beer from local breweries, red or white wines by the glass, and/or creative specialty cocktails. Come and share good food and conversation with good friends. RSVP to Claudette by email: [claudettewassil@hotmail.com](mailto:claudettewassil@hotmail.com) by call or text 973-768-6047.



### **VUU SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY**

***Promoting Social, Economic and Environmental Justice***

### **VIP Action Meeting – November 28 – Find out why VUU is a member of VIP**

*Have you wondered what Valley Interfaith Project is all about and why VUU has decided to partner with them on social action projects? Well, here is your opportunity to find out. On Nov. 28 we are having an "Action Meeting" where we will talk about what we have done the last year and what types of projects we are looking to support next year. The meeting will be at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church, so we are hoping to arrange carpooling for people who would like to come. Sign-up and more information will be available on the patio the next 3 Sundays. Please come and see why VUU has partnered with VIP. If you want more info, please contact Willa Cree, [socialaction@vuu.org](mailto:socialaction@vuu.org) or 480-221-9547.*

**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 December or early next year! 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](mailto:pazdecristo@vuu.org)



### **November Donation of the Month for Paz de Cristo: Stuffing and Cranberries**

Please support our focus charity, Paz de Cristo, by bringing in a donation of stuffing and cranberries so that those in need will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. Please drop off your donation in the bin in the foyer. Thanks for your support!



**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](mailto:office@vuu.org)

**I-HELP needs gently used or new towels for their shower program.**  
**Drop them off in the basket in the Sanctuary Foyer. Thank You.**





### Arizona Legislative Alert – Keep Up with the latest Legislative News

Want to keep up on what's happening to social justice legislation in Arizona? Sign up for your own copy of the Arizona Legislative Alert by emailing [legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org](mailto:legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org). The Arizona Legislative Alert is an e-mail newsletter covering social justice and public policy issues in Arizona edited by Anne Schneider.



**On Sunday, December 2, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. in the VUU Sanctuary**  
**Plan on sticking around after our 2<sup>nd</sup> Service. A light lunch will be provided.**

**SPECTRUM, VUU's LGBTQ+** will present a two-person panel on transgender identity.  
Presenters include Dr. Veenod Chulani and Dr. Mischa Peck.

Veenod Chulani, MD, MSED, FSAHM, CEDS, leads Phoenix Children's Adolescent Medicine Program, and is one of only a handful of specialists in Arizona. Dr. Chulani also specializes in working with gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) youth, including those seeking cross gender hormonal therapies. Dr. Chulani is Section Chief of Adolescent Medicine at Phoenix Children's Hospital.

Dr. Mischa Peck, a transgender woman, is a counselor and therapist. She writes, "As you can imagine, my personal journey has taught me much about resilience—just think about the many life changes in this process. For more than 40 years, I lived my life as a male-identified. I experienced life and studied academically much about men and masculinity—including trying and trying and trying to figure out where I fit. Through this path, I found myself: I am Mischa."

Please plan to attend this important panel presentation and bring your questions!

### **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](mailto:socialaction@vuu.org)



*Please take time during the month of November to write down what you are grateful for on the leaves for our "Gratitude Tree," located in the back of the sanctuary near the foyer. This activity is for both adults and children and fits our monthly Touchstones' Theme of "Gratitude."*



"Gratitude can transform  
common days into thanksgivings,  
turn routine jobs into joy, and  
change ordinary opportunities  
into blessings."

William Arthur Ward

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**, (varies/see calendar)  
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

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

1st Tuesday **Facilities Team**, 9:30am - 11:00am Conference Rm  
Contact: Debbie Dinyes facilities@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** - 6:00pm - 8:30pm; location varies; Info:  
Sharon Kopina, 1004slk1950@gmail.com

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

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday **VUU Board**, 6:30pm - 8:30pm Board Rm or Video Call  
Contact: DeeAnne McClenahan board\_president@vuu.org

3rd Friday **Wayfarers Happy HoUUr**  
Contact: Susan Lacy lacynoe@yahoo.com

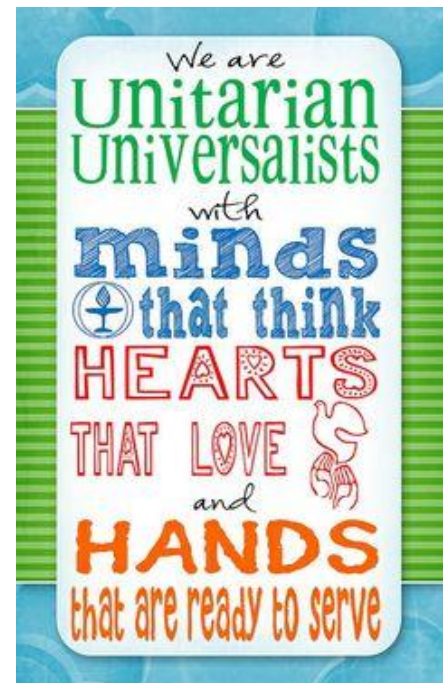
4th Friday **Singles VUU**: Monthly dinner.  
Contact: Claudette Wassil (973-768-6047)

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**, 7:00pm - 9:00pm 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](mailto: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 or send an email to [office@vuu.org](mailto:office@vuu.org) by 4 p.m. 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](mailto: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.*



**CHILDREN AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION ROOMS:**  
**NURSERY-RM 6; PRESCHOOL-RM 4; KINDER/1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE-RM 3; 2<sup>ND</sup>/3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE-RM 7;**  
**4<sup>TH</sup>/5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE-RM 8; 6<sup>TH</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE-RM 2; HIGH SCHOOL-RM 5**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION OFFERINGS**

Note: faith formation classes will not meet on Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> but may meet on Easter, April 21<sup>st</sup>

	<u>1st Sunday</u>	<u>2nd Sunday</u>	<u>3rd Sunday</u>	<u>4th Sunday</u>
	12/2, 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7	12/9, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14	11/18, 12/16, 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, **4/21	11/25, **12/30, 1/27, 2/24, 3/24, 4/28
<b>Worship Theme discussions</b>	Sanctuary	Sanctuary	Sanctuary	Sanctuary
<b>Dalai Lama and Friends</b>	Room 1	Room 1	Room 1	Room 1
<b>VUUJAZ Conversations</b>		Board Room		
<b>7th Principle and My Impact</b>			Volunteer Office	
<b>Owning Your Religious Past</b> (Oct 14 – Dec 16) *Class is closed	Conference Room	Conference Room	Conference Room	Conference Room
<b>A Room with a VUU:</b> Using Contemporary Latinx Art to Explore our Values (Nov. 11-April 21) <b>Max 8 participants</b>		Sanctuary Library	Sanctuary Library	
<b>Cakes for the Queen of Heaven</b> (Nov 4 – April 7)	Board Room		Board Room	

