

"Grace is the light or electricity or juice or breeze that takes you from that isolated place and puts you with others who are as startled and embarrassed and eventually grateful as you are to be there." Anne Lamott

## **TODAY**



First Sunday of each month, stop by "The Board Room", held on the patio after this Sunday's 9:15 a.m. service,

for an informal chat with members of the VUU **Board of Trustees.** 

Your questions and comments are welcome!

# **Coming of Age**

http://www.vuu.org/edu/coming-of-age 2019/

or contact Marci

- 1) Orientation for parents & youth: January 6, 2019
- 2) 5-month long program, open to youth in high school. Heritage trip to Boston follows close of program.
- 3) Fundraising for Boston trip has already begun, join us!
- 4) Mentors needed!!

Goals of mentoring: create relationships between youth and non-parental adults; provide a safe space for questions and learning, support youth in their faith development.

Expectations: Attend kick off bar-b-que (January 20) and select COA sessions, join us for the team building day in Tucson (March 9). Meet monthly with mentee be their sounding board and cheerleader. Attend banquet (May 4) and introduce your mentee.



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or text your donation from your phone: (480) 725-4522.

Rev. Dr. Andy Burnette, Senior Minister Email: revandy@vuu.org Twitter @revandyburnette Find me on Facebook

Rev. Kellie Walker Hart, Minister of Music; Marci Beaudoin, Director of Faith Formation; Hayley Wynne, Faith Formation Assistant Sue Ringler, Congregation Administrator Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9AM - 5PM; closed Fridays

### **A Welcoming Community** Sunday, January 6

First Sunday - Share the Plate - Paz de Cristo Two Far Apart?

with Rev. Dr. Gene Lowry

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

12:30p - 1:45p VUU LGBTQ+ SPECTRUM Meeting - Rm 5 1:00p - 3:00p Coming of Age Orientation - Rooms 1 & 2 5:00p - 9:00p YRUU Movie Nite - Room 5, Cook in Room 1

Monday, January 7

5:30p - 7:30a I-HELP Shelter - VUU Sanctuary; Meal: LDS 6:30p - 8:00p CPC and CCC Meeting - Rooms 1 & 2

Tuesday, January 8

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

7:30p - 9:00p Adult Choir - Sanctuary

6:30p - 8:30p LPCA Meeting - Board Room

Wednesday, January 9

6:00p – 7:00p Special Funds Meeting – Conference Room

Thursday, January 10

5:30p - 7:30p Policy Committee Meeting - Board Room

6:00p - 8:30p EastVUU Gathering - Offsite

Friday, January 11 -- Office Closed

4:00p - 7:00p Paz de Cristo Evening Meal Prep - Offsite

Saturday, January 12

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

6:30p - 10:00p NefeshSoul Game Night - Sanctuary

Sunday, January 13

Goodness, Grace and Wrestling with God: The Search for Goodness, Grace and God from the Perspective of an Atheist

with Randy Galbraith

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 - 2:15p VUU Reproductive Justice - New Group Forming – Room 5

1:00p - 3:00p Coming of Age, potential mentors' orientation -Room 2

### 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 <u>FUUNd</u>!! Visit us at the <u>FUUNd</u> table after services <u>FUUNd</u> 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 <u>FUUNd</u> Together auction committee, we would L♥VE 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 <u>fuundtogether@vuu.org</u> 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!!** 

#### **VUU SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY**

Promoting Social, Economic and Environmental Justice



will meet in Room 5 TODAY after the 11:30AM Service. Won't you join us!?

#### January Donation for Paz de Cristo: Canned Mixed Vegetables and Canned Corn

Please support our focus charity, Paz de Cristo, by bringing in a donation of canned mixed vegetables and canned corn. Tops with pull tabs are appreciated if possible. Drop your donation in the collection box located in the foyer of the sanctuary.



Gift cards for groceries and gas are welcome and will continue to be collected throughout the year. They can be placed in the lock box on the wall above the collection box. Fry's gift cards are especially appreciated because they give Paz the flexibility to get either gas or groceries. They use the gas for their delivery truck, or they buy fresh food and other groceries that they need.

#### 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 January, February, etc. 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



<u>I-HELP (Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program)</u> 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

#### 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 <a href="mailto:legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org">legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org</a>. The Arizona Legislative Alert is an e-mail newsletter covering social justice and public policy issues in Arizona edited by Anne Schneider.

#### 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

Every Sunday Dalai Lama - 9:00am - Rm 5

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

4th Sunday **VUU Women's Group**, lunch/meet after 2<sup>nd</sup> Service, Sanctuary

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

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Bell Choir - 6:00pm Sanctuary music@vuu.org

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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

(see calendar) Worship Ministry

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



**Membership at VUU**: Contact Lauree Perry, Iperry98@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! ③)

Thank you for making the Sanctuary more beautiful!

**Caring, Concerns, and Joys Email**: Send your joys and sorrows to <a href="mailto:caring@vuu.org">caring@vuu.org</a>. 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 <u>480.899.4249</u> or send an email to <u>office@vuu.org</u> 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 emailing 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;  $2^{ND}/3^{RD}$  GRADE-RM 7;  $4^{TH}/5^{TH}$  GRADE-RM 8;  $6^{TH}-8^{TH}$  GRADE-RM 2; HIGH SCHOOL-RM 5

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION OFFERINGS**

1st Sunday 2nd Sunday 3rd Sunday 4th Sunday

Monthly Worship Theme Discussion –	Conference	Conference	Conference	Conference	
January: Grace	room	room	room	room	
Dalai Lama and Friends	room 1	room 1	room 1	room 1	
Cakes for the Queen of Heaven *FULL	<del>board room</del>		<del>board room</del>		Nov 4 - April 7
VUUJAZ Conversations		board room			
7th Principle and My Impact				board room	
A Room with a VUU: Using					
Contemporary Latinx Art to Explore our Values-*FULL		<del>Library</del>	<del>Library</del>		Nov 11 - April 21
VUU 101 (parts 1,2,3) Jan 6, 13, & 20	Sanctuary	Sanctuary	Sanctuary		Jan 6, 13, & 20
7th Principle - Healing Mother Earth			volunteer room		



