



Newsletter for May 2016

May programs coordinated by Tom Alexander

Helping Hands Food Basket

Please continue to bring food for the Helping Hands Food Basket. Bulk staples and other non-perishables are appreciated and delivered weekly by Edith LaVonn.

May 1 The Inner Child

“Childhood is measured out by sounds and smells and sights, before the dark hour of reason grows.” John Betjeman
Life goes on and it is easy to forget that inside of all of us is our childhood. Come learn some strategies and benefits of exploring our earlier selves. Tom Alexander will present.

Hymn 414 Reading 725 Host: TBA

May 8 American Freethought

Ruth Ball will introduce this DVD which examines our nation’s heritage beginning with the American Revolution and going to the mid Nineteenth Century. The length is 50 minutes long.

May Potluck - Bring a dish to share!

Hymn 107 Reading 568 Host: M. Pankey

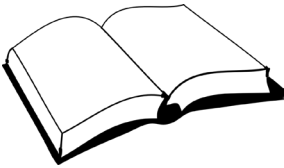
May Birthdays

Ivan Ball	2 nd
Brock Neeley	20 th
Jen Piersol	22 nd

Sunday Service is at 10:30 am.
Coffee and visiting at 10:15 am

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Tuesday Reading Group

The Reading Group is currently reading *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough. The Group meets every Tuesday at the Fellowship from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

May 15 Socialism Past and Future

What are socialist beliefs and how do they influence government policies and personal ethics? Tom Alexander will present this topic for discussion.

Hymn 27 Reading 655 Host: Ruth & Ivan

May 22 The Movie *Milk*

Today is a California Day of Special Significance in memory of Harvey Milk, a gay rights activist and politician. The 2008 film starring Sean Penn won two Academy Awards and is an inspiring tale of his courage. Brock and John will present this film.

Note: this film is 2hr 8min in length.

Hymn 170 Reading 698 Host: The Summers

UU Monthly Board Meeting
Meets Sunday, May 8, 12:00 p.m.
(shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey
Vice-President: Joan Givan
Treasurer: Steve Summers
Secretary: Marian Gant
Social Justice: Alfonso C. Hernandez
Grounds and Maintenance: Brock Neeley
Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse
Religious Education: Jen Piersol

May 29 Unitarianism in Action

Tom will share some projects and initiatives that Universal Unitarians are organizing around the world.

Hymn 287

Reading 733

Host: Piersols



This Unitarian Universalist community welcomes and celebrates the presence and participation of people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer.

As a Unitarian Universalist congregation, we affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.