



## Newsletter for April 2018

*April programs coordinated by Marilyn Pankey*

### **April 1    *Easter Bible Stories for Skeptics***

From Noah's Ark to Sodom and Gomorrah; another look at bible history. Marilyn Pankey presents excerpts from *Bible Stories for Skeptics*. Our take on Easter.

Hymn 123

Reading 438

Hosts: Piersols

### **April 8    *The Cutting Edge, a Sermon***

*The Cutting Edge*, originally presented by Rev. Nurya Parish, Fountain Street Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan on January 29, 2006, will be read by Marion Gant. This will be followed by a conversation about the ideas presented, and what they might mean for you, personally, and the Fellowship.

***The Monthly Potluck will be the LAST Sunday--Apr 29.***

Hymn 118

Reading 530

Hostess: Sara Gershon

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

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### **April Birthdays**

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Betty Telesford      3<sup>rd</sup>

Terry Bergfalk      5<sup>th</sup>

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### **April 15 Round Table Discussion**

Dr. Jim Smith will present for discussion. From Gratitude to Grace – what is the difference? Expectations of believers and nonbelievers.

Hymn 320

Reading 443

Hostess: Joan Givan


### **April 22 Valley Watch and Legal Observer**

The ACLU of Northern California will present an overview of programs valuable to us and how we can participate. Presented by Maricela Sanchez, Central Valley Mobilization and Civic Engagement Assistant.

Hymn 388

Reading 551

Hosts: TBA



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

### **UU Monthly Board Meeting**

Meets Sunday, April 1, 12:00 p.m.  
(shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey

Vice-President: Merrily Davies

Treasurer: Steve Summers

Secretary: Marion Gant

Social Justice: Joan Givan

Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse

Religious Education: Jen Piersol

## **April 29 Annual Meeting**

Members are urged to attend in order to direct the business of the next year for the UU Fellowship of Porterville.

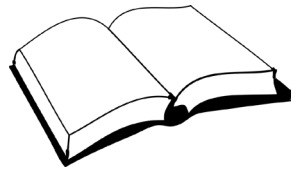
### **POTLUCK - Bring a dish to share!**

Hymn *Guest Pianist: Ellen Nichols*  
Readings *On the Agenda*

Hostess: Potluck

### **Wednesday Reading Group**

The group is reading *The Chickenshit Club*, by Jesse Eisinger about the disappointment in the Dept of Justice prosecution of investment executives in the 2008 financial crisis. The group is presently meeting at Sierra Hills.



### **Ralph's Reading Group**

The group is meeting (or has met) on Friday March 30 to discuss *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng. They will pick (or have picked) their next selection then. Contact Ralph for more information.

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### **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.