



Newsletter for June 2018

June programs coordinated by Terry Crewse & Buzz Piersol

June 3 California Primary: Voting Information

Though most have probably already voted by mail, we will still hear this presentation by member Ed Bergtholdt courtesy of the League of Women Voters. If you haven't voted yet, bring your questions!

Hymn 290

Reading 587

Hosts: Piersols

June 10 *Uncle Tungsten: Memories of Chemical Boyhood*

The late Oliver Sacks was known as “the poet laureate of medicine” in his studies and writings on the brain and neuroscience. However, his first love was chemistry. Buzz will share excerpts of *Uncle Tungsten* in which Sacks writes of his formative childhood experiences, including WWII in London, science, uncles and aunts, and Judaism.

Potluck - Bring a dish to share!

Hymn 344

Reading 643

Hostess: M Davies

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

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June 17 *War Made Easy*

Uncle Bill will share a video by on the book by Norman Soloman in which our personal responsibilities against war will be discussed. *War Made Easy* cuts through the dense web of spin to probe and scrutinize the key “perception management” techniques that have played huge roles in the promotion of American wars in recent decades. This guide to disinformation analyzes American military adventures past and present.

Hymn 346

Reading 604

Host: Terry Crewse

June 24 *More American Panic*

Terry will continue to explore our history of panic in America using Mark Stein’s *American Panic* as a guide. By highlighting the similarities between American political panics from the Salem witch hunt to present-day vehemence over issues such as immigration, Stein closely examines just what it is that causes us as a nation to overreact in the face of widespread and potentially profound change. This book also devotes chapters to specific religious and ethnic groups as well as a highly turbulent but largely forgotten panic over Freemasons.

Hymn 191

Readings 556

Host: 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, June 3, 12:00 p.m.
(shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey

Vice-President: Merrily Davies

Treasurer: Steve Summers

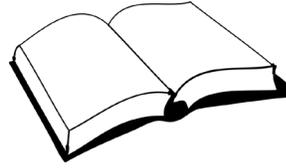
Secretary: Marion Gant

Social Justice: Joan Givan

Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse

Religious Education: Jen Piersol

Reading Groups



Wednesday Reading Group

The group is continuing to read *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 every other Wednesday. Contact Marilyn for more information.

Ralph's Reading Group

The group is meeting on Friday, June 4, 6:00 p.m. at the Bourne residence to discuss *Call Me By Your Name* by André Aciman. The group will meet again on June 29 to discuss *Bel Canto* by Ann Patchett. 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.