



## Newsletter for May 2019

*May programs coordinated by Terry Crewse*

### **May 5 ANNUAL MEETING**

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

A memorial for our dearly missed Joan Givan will be held following the meeting.

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

Hymns - many by guest pianist Ellen Nichols

Readings - on the agenda

Hosts: The Board



### **Helping Hands Food Basket**

The Helping Hands basket is back! Please bring non-perishable food for the food basket. The basket is located in the fellowship and will be delivered by Marilyn to Helping Hands each week.

### **May 5, 1:00 p.m. Memorial for Joan Givan**

Joan Givan was a cherished member of our fellowship and community who unexpectedly passed away in November. We are celebrating a short memorial for Joan following the annual meeting.

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

135 E. Harrison  
Porterville, CA 93257

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### **May Birthday**

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Jen Piersol 22<sup>nd</sup>

Wesley Cox 24<sup>th</sup>

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### **May 12 What is Code Switching?**

On May 6 of this year, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez was accused of “verbal blackface”. Linguists pointed out that she was actually code-switching. Jen Piersol will discuss the meaning of this and these events.

Hymn 1021

Readings 699

Hosts: The Summers

### **May 19 Cronopios And Famas: Julio Cortazar**

Uncle Bill will lead us on an exploration of one of the greatest Latin American novelists of all time. From Pablo Neruda’s statement that “anyone who does not read Cortazar is doomed” to The Saturday Review’s observation “...each page of Cronopios and Famas sparkles with vivid satire” which goes to the heart of the human condition. Neil Millar of The Christian Science Monitor sums it, “This book is a golden nettle. Those who poke at it gingerly and are stung will still bring away tiny splinters of pure gold.”

Hymns 76

Reading 652

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**

*will not meet in May as we are holding the annual meeting*

President: Marilyn Pankey

Vice-President: Merrily Davies

Treasurer: Steve Summers

Secretary: Marion Gant

Social Justice: *vacant*

Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse

Religious Education: Jen Piersol

## May 26 Dumb Things

Ralph Bourne will discuss how good intentions in ecosystems often have contrary consequences. There are common cultural misconceptions which have led to nonsensical regulations in modern societies. Bring your mind!

Hymn 1031

Readings 695 & 702

Host: Terry

## Wednesday Reading Group

Our group has finished *Educated* and are planning for the next read. We meet every other Wednesday in the Sierra Hills game room. The next meeting is May 8.



### 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.