

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**Week of April 14, 2019**

Officer of the Day: John O'Hare  
The Coffee Host: Andrew Bullene  
Listening Devices: Dan Reid

**SHARE THE OFFERING: Restorative Resources** works for restorative justice in our justice system, schools, families, and many other community settings. The concept is to restore our natural state of connection and responsibility, follow principles that honor our inherent sacred connection with all life, cultivate authentic relationships, and strive to bring healing where harmful action causes damage to our relationships.

**ADULT RE:** Carol Kraemer and Clare Whitfield will lead a discussion of the widely acclaimed book, **Just Mercy: Making Real the Need for Criminal Justice Reform** by attorney Bryan Stevenson. (Thursday, May 16, 23, & 30, 3:00-4:30pm). Just Mercy is a compelling narrative on the themes of economic and racial bias. The book has received widespread recognition and has been made into a movie. Sign up up at RE table; **class is limited to 25**. Participants are encouraged to read book ahead of time. Copies available from library and online booksellers. **Rev. Chris'** next class in his Theology series will be **Life, Death, and Afterlife** on May 11. His Scripture Series features **Teachings of Jesus, pt. 2, April 23-30**.

**LET'S TALK ENDOWMENT...OVER LUNCH:** Did you know that there are many ways to leave a gift to the UUCSR Endowment Fund? Learn more about how you can become a part of the culture of abundance and generosity. Come to a seminar sponsored by the Endowment Committee, to be held after the 11 AM service on Sunday, May 19, in room 545. Reid Stinnett, the Endowment Committee Chairperson, will talk about the Legacy Circle and the UUCSR Endowment Fund. You can fulfill a desire to help our liberal religion, to help our values endure to serve future generations. You can have the spiritual satisfaction that giving has to offer. A light lunch will be provided.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE: become a Sexuality Education Facilitator:** Attend an OWL (Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education) Facilitator Training at the UU Church of Berkeley this summer from **July 26-28**. The OWL Committee is requesting applications from those interested in attending this training so we can make this program a reality at UUCSR. Interested? Questions? Email Jen Freese at [dre@uusantarosa.org](mailto:dre@uusantarosa.org)

**MEN'S GATHERING:** Hello all male-identified folks! Mark your calendar now for a Men's Gathering on Saturday, May 25th, from 1:00 - 4:00 pm in room 545. Deep sharing. Singing. Small groups. More singing. Laughter. More sharing. Good and good for you! The topic is our first principle, "The inherent worth and dignity of every person." If you want, please bring a reading or song related to this principle that is meaningful for you. For more info, contact Mac Freeman, Andy Levine, or Mark Sowers.

**ECODESK:** April theme is WATER. Come learn how what we eat affects the state of water. Learn about Water Sense, Water Saving and UUA's work on Access to Clean Drinking Water. Sign "Protect the Clean Water Act" petition. Let's understand our role in water management and let's grow towards taking effective communal action.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** There's still room at the Women's Retreat at beautiful Saint Dorothy's Rest just North of Occidental on the weekend of May 3rd to 5th and today is the last day to sign up. For more information or to sign up come to the Green Room after either service to reserve a bed in a double room for \$210 or in a small dorm for \$190. Half price scholarships are also available. This Retreat is one of the highlights of the year and has helped many women feel more connected to UUCSR and where new friends are made!

**FAITH AND FITNESS:** April hike will be Saturday April 27 at Sugar Loaf Ridge State Park, taking the Hillside and Meadow trails loop. Last year the flowers on this hike were spectacular. Easy to moderate with views and stream-side picnic area. Carpool 9:30 in Santa Rosa, Trail head 10:00, at the main day use parking area. Bring lunches, water. Back to Santa Rosa by about 1:30. Contact Gretchen Paradis

**MAYPOLE/BELTANE CELEBRATION APRIL 28:** As we did last year, CUUPs will have the Maypole dance in the courtyard **immediately following the first service on Sunday, April 28 10:30 to 11**. If you have your **Flower Crown** or **Green Man Mask** from last year, please remember to bring it. Come a little early if you attend the 11 o'clock service, or hang around if you are a 9:15 early bird. Bring your children and be ready to celebrate.

**GUIDES NEEDED FOR SUMMER MAKERSPACE:** Adult guides are needed for any Sunday this summer who can help supervise, interact, question, support and encourage kids while they create. No teaching experience necessary, but kindness and patience are a must! You will be assisting a lead teacher or staff person. This summer, the RE wing will transform into a UU Makerspace: a space that offers materials that give children and youth the opportunity to explore, invent, inquire and create. This summer in RE, we will be looking at how to change the world using the 7 UU Principles through invention, models, design and art. **Sign up at the RE table or with Caroline Hobbs or Susan Miller between the first and second services.**

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS:** Our UU office volunteers are inviting you to join our team. Your time and energy is wanted and needed! Contact Bertha Jean desk coordinator

**SILENT DRAWING MEDITATION GROUP:** Friday afternoons from 2 to 4 in the Board Room. Bring your drawing supplies and ideas; still life set up provided. This is a silent meditation group, donation requested, \$5 non members, \$2 members. For information contact Judy Hutchinson

**SPIRIT MOVES BODY MOVES:** "The body is living art. Your movement through time and space is art. A painter has brushes. You have your body," Anna Halprin. Come move with us on the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 pm**, upcoming dates April 17, May 1 and 15. **in Room 545**. Contact Bertha Jean Schmidt

**THE UU UPDATE:** UUCSR monthly newsletter: Submissions for the following month are due **by noon the Monday which follows the 3rd Sunday**. Send to [newsletter@uusantarosa.org](mailto:newsletter@uusantarosa.org). Submissions for May newsletter are due by 12 pm Monday, April 22.

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS & ORDER OF SERVICE INFORMATION** deadline is Wednesday at noon. Send to [announcements@uusantarosa.org](mailto:announcements@uusantarosa.org). WE HAVE ONLY 1 PAGE FOR ALL SO PLEASE BE BRIEF!