

ANNOUNCEMENTS Week of May 12, 2019

Officer of the Day: John Jaffray
Listening Devices: Dan Reid

SHARE THE OFFERING: **Caritas Village**, between Morgan and A Streets, will replace the aging homeless assistance facilities run by Catholic Charities. There will be 128 units of permanent affordable housing, and they expect to help twice as many homeless people get into permanent housing each year.

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. **Class is limited to 25.** Participants are encouraged to read book ahead of time. **Rev. Chris'** next and last class in his Theology series will be **Nature of God, Pt. 2, on June 12th.** His **Scripture Series** features **Rev. Hosea Ballou: A Treatise on Atonement, 3 sessions, May 14, May 28, and June 11.**

CUUPS: CUUPS would like to wish all mothers a **blessed day.** We honor the strength and wisdom of motherhood that lies beneath the holiday's sweet surface. **Happy Mother's Day!** Our 3rd Friday **Drum Circle** is this Friday, May 17th. We meet 6:30-8:30 pm in the Board Room this month. Bring a friend!

LET'S TALK ENDOWMENT...OVER LUNCH: Coming next Sunday, May 19, at 12:30 PM There are many ways to leave a gift to the UUCSR Endowment Fund and become a member of the Legacy Circle. No amount is too small. An easy way is to assign a percentage of an existing 401(k) or IRA to UUCSR. With this approach, there's no need to change your will/trust or talk to a lawyer. But you may want to consult with your financial adviser. Learn more about how you can leave a legacy to UUCSR. Come to a seminar sponsored by the Endowment Committee, to be held in room 545. A homemade lunch will be provided.

ECODESK: Plastics: Learn more about endocrine and environmental effects of plastics. At the desk, see samples of ways to stop use of single-use plastics. Take home a hand-out with further information and effective action you can take.

CAKE AUCTION is May 19 Join us between services on May 19 at 10:30 am in the Social Hall as Reverend Chris auctions off cakes that have been decorated by teams of children and adults. Proceeds go to the All-UU Camp Scholarship fund.

MEN'S GATHERING: Hello all male-identified folks! Mark your calendar now for a Men's Gathering on Saturday, May 25 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm in room 545. Please note the start time is 1:00 pm NOT 10:00 am as accidentally stated in the May newsletter. Deep sharing. Singing. Small groups. More singing. 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.

"JUNK" DONATIONS NEEDED FOR RE: Beginning today, please bring materials to the RE wing to help us prepare for our Makerspace adventure. We need things like: buttons, nuts, bolts, washers, fabric scraps, yarn, craft wire, toilet paper and paper towel rolls, oatmeal containers, washed plastic milk jugs, egg cartons, carpet samples, velcro, film canisters, cookie tins, shoe boxes, brads, sand paper, knobs, old tool boxes or parts storage, and storage bins. There will be designated areas in the RE Common Room, so plan to stay for a minute as you drop off to help sort your items into groups.

SONOMA COUNTY PRIDE PARADE: UUCSR will again have a contingent in the Sonoma County Pride Parade. The parade and festival is Saturday June 1st. The parade starts at noon on 4th street in Santa Rosa and we march to Courthouse Square. We will gather at 11am, please wear something bright and colorful. Becky and Bill Montgomery will have their VW convertible and we will have our rainbow banner! Come join us! For more information contact Becky and Bill Montgomery or Andy Levine. We hope to have a large group.

PHOTOS AND POEMS: Did you notice the photo banners hanging in the hallway the past few weeks? Every member and friend of the UUCSR is invited to join the Diversity Project's creation of these personal story banners. Pick up a template for creating your own poem at the Advocates for Social Justice Table during the next Sundays and show up to have your photo taken on May 19 between the services or after the 11 AM service. Our skilled photo editors and sewing people will do the rest.

A4SJ SURVEY: Please note that today the Advocates for Social Justice (A4SJ) have inserted a survey for you to fill out and return to the Advocates table or cubby in the copy room/outer office. The survey will help us decide on the topic for our next film season. Please return no later than May 19th. Thank you!

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 at [Email Deleted](#), 707-Phone # Deleted.

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 Phone # Deleted

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 **1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 pm**, upcoming dates **May 15 and June 5 in Room 545.** Contact Bertha Jean Schmidt [Email Deleted](#) or 707-Phone # Deleted

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. Submissions for **June** newsletter are due by **12 pm Monday, May 20.**

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