



## March 2013

### **Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Sunnyvale**

Services in the small chapel at the Congregational Church located at Bernardo Avenue & Remington Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Family Service from 9:30 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.

Children's Religious Education 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Infant and toddler care is available during the Family Service and the 10:00 a.m. Service



**We are a  
Welcoming  
Congregation**

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All are welcome to join us for our Family Service every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 a.m. Service    Some Thoughts on Moving Forward    Rev. Nina Kalmoutis**

"Do not be daunted by the enormity of the world's grief...You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it." Rabbi Tarfon, Hebrew sage who lived between 70 C.E. and 135 C.E.

**March 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Service    Sometimes It's About Just Being Willing to Show Up**  
Reverend Nina Kalmoutis

**11:30 a.m. The Fifth in The UUFS Concert Series.** Friction Quartet will perform "String Quartet - The Seven Principles", a composition by UUFS member George Hopkins.  
(See page 2 for more information)

**March 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Service    The Gift**

What if you had the power to save another person's life? How would you use it? How would you feel? How would they feel? How might it change the world? Come join us on an extraordinary journey that is just beginning, and then decide for yourself how you will use this power. Presented by UUFS member Karen Cornwell.

**11:30 a.m.** Learn more about the gift of Bone Marrow and Umbilical Cord Donation.  
(See page 2 for more information)

**March 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Service    Meeting People Where They Are**

This Sunday we will hear from the youth in our Coming of Age Program and their mentors who participated in a Street Retreat with the Faithful Fools Street Ministry in San Francisco's Tenderloin District last month. They will be joined members of UUFS who work with the homeless.

**March 31<sup>st</sup> 10:00 a.m. Service    Hope, Renewal and New Beginnings**  
Reverend Nina Kalmoutis

Following the 10:00 Service Our All Fellowship Easter Brunch (See page 4 for more information)

**Saturday, March 2, 2013 - "UUFS Spiritual Support Group"**

UUFS "Spiritual Support Group", a place to explore and nurture spiritual growth, takes place every first Saturday morning of the month, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The March group will be on Saturday March 2, 2013. UUFS members and friends are all welcome to attend. Please contact Janna Mitchell for group location details: [jannaemg@gmail.com](mailto:jannaemg@gmail.com) or (408) 393-8553

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**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday Offering**

On Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> all offerings with the exception of cash donations in envelopes designated as PLEDGE or UUFS ONLY and checks with the same designations in the memo line will be given to HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, SILICON VALLEY. Habitat's mission is to transform families and strengthen communities by building decent, affordable housing for long term home ownership. Families contribute "sweat equity" to the building of their homes and work alongside a small army of volunteers during the construction process.

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**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 a.m. The Fifth in The UUFS Concert Series - Friction Quartet**

Join us for another fantastic concert in our series here at UUFS.

Praised for their "broad expressive range" (Luciano Chessa) and "energetic gusto" (SF Examiner), Friction Quartet is the San Francisco Bay Area's most explosive contemporary string quartet. Through artistic collaboration in varied mediums, the commissioning of new works, crossing into genres outside of classical music, and incorporating mixed media technology, Friction will create an exhilarating and inviting atmosphere that will attract audiences of all ages and interests.

Friction Quartet will perform "String Quartet - The Seven Principles" by UUFS member George Hopkins and will present a brief overview of the Transmediation Project, "creating a new piece of music, so that we can show the world and other composers that this is what true collaboration looks like."

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**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 a.m. Sunday Supplement**

The Gift - A simple "how to" guide. Come and learn more about the gift of Bone Marrow and Umbilical Cord Donation. Our guests from the National Marrow Donation Program and the Joanne Pang Organization which is collecting Umbilical Cords to save lives will educate you on the gift process. People who have donated and people who have received donations will be available to share their stories (join our earlier 10 a.m. service for even more insight).

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**Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> Armory Dinners at the Cold Weather Shelter**

This is our 15th year providing meals once per month during the winter months at the winter shelter operated by EHC Lifebuilders.

The two Sunday's prior to this date we'll ask people to sign up after our services to bring main dishes and/or cookies for dessert. The armory building is at 620 East Maude in Sunnyvale. We begin arriving at 6:00 p.m. to set up and then serve the meals. Food needs to be brought fully cooked from home because the armory kitchen is small and not well equipped. If you prefer to purchase readymade food we suggest 6 pound frozen lasagnas which serve 12 each, roast chickens or meat loaf. If you like to cook and have the time, please prepare a main dish of your choosing, enough to serve 12 or multiples

of 12. The rest of the meal will be provided by the Social Justice Committee. Please note: children must be at least 14 years old to participate.

This is also an excellent opportunity to bring donated items such as warm clothing (coats sweaters, parkas, gloves, scarves, etc.) backpacks, wrist watches that work, small towels useful in the kitchen or bath towels, All these things are welcome either new or gently used. Send them with other people if you're not coming yourself. Harvest your orange tree and bring those! Questions? Please contact Sarah Wasserman. Contact information is in the directory.

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### **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> Transitions Workshop - "Family to Pastoral Program"**

Is your congregation stuck? Having difficulty breaking through membership boundaries? Been in transition so long that it has become a lifestyle? Then, this workshop is for you and your congregational team! We are hoping many of our members and friends will be able to attend.

In this presentational and interactive workshop we will explore;

- The characteristics of three primary attendance size cultures (Family, Pastoral, and Program) and what makes them work
- The factors that tend to impede forward progress in size transitions.
- How this paradigm can empower congregations to move into a new future.

Outcomes:

- Understanding the culture of each congregational size and how to transcend the transition.
- Learn the leadership skills need to navigate the transition.
- Develop a game-plan for processing this paradigm in congregational life which you can implement in your own congregation.

There will be an option to remain in a learning community post workshop via private Facebook groups, virtual meetings and conference calls.

Saturday, March 16, 2013 at First Unitarian Church of San Jose

10 a.m. - 4 p.m., registration at 9 a.m.

\$45.00, breakfast goodies and lunch included

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=mk4zlobab&oeidk=a07e6x72kjlw9d089b79>

The presenter, the Reverend Robert T. Latham has written a book about applying this paradigm to the peculiarities of Unitarian Universalism. While the workshop will stand on its own you will find it even more provocative by having read this book. You may order a copy of 'Moving on From Church Folly Lane' at <http://www.mythinglink.com> . Ten or more copies at a reduced rate may be ordered from [cynthialatham@comcst.net](mailto:cynthialatham@comcst.net). \* Registration is due by Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Scholarships available to cover the cost of registration. Please be in touch with Reverend Nina

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### **Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> UUFS Family - Friendly Dinner 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. (Come when you can)**

Turmeric Restaurant (Indian Buffet)

141 S. Murphy Ave, Sunnyvale (408) 617 - 9100

\$10.95 per person ( Adult/Senior & \$5.95) Children ages 5-10 (Children under 5 years eat free)

Unfortunately, Kathleen Mossotti's new job will prevent her from being our host for the Family Friendly Dinners each month. Would someone be willing to host this month's dinner? Perhaps we can consider continuing by going month by month with each host picking a location and greeting people as they arrive? Volunteers for this month's dinner and thoughts on future dinners welcome. Please e-mail Nina at [minister@uufs.org](mailto:minister@uufs.org).

**Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> 2013 UUFS Seder Dinner @ 5:45 p.m.**

Please join in us in our Seder on the 29th of March from 5:45p.m. - 8:00 p.m.in Shephard Hall, the ceremony starts promptly at 6 p.m. Come and enjoy the fellowship of friends on this very special evening. We invite you to be a part of an evening filled with warm food and kind hearts. The price is \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds. Questions? Contact Patty Petrie at [religious.education@uufs.org](mailto:religious.education@uufs.org). Please RSVP on our sign-up sheets after the 10:00 a.m. service.

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**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> Our All Fellowship Easter Potluck Brunch**

Our Thursday Night Covenant Group is organizing a potluck brunch on Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, immediately after the 10:00 a.m. service. This event will take place in the area behind the Religious Education classrooms. Sign-ups at church will begin mid-March, or you can contact Heather Hyde at [hhyde@igc.org](mailto:hhyde@igc.org) Please sign-up so we know how much coffee to make!

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**Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Pacific Western Regional Assembly 2013**

**Big Faith  No Borders**

April 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in San Jose, CA

Events will be held at Double Tree by Hilton 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, CA 95110

Join our four western UUA Districts in making history this spring as we come together in a Regional Assembly to explore and celebrate BIG FAITH \* NO BORDERS!

For more information, please visit: <http://pwruua.org/pacific-western-regional-assembly-2013/>

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Keynote Speaker: The Rev. Christine Robinson

Friday night's *Opening Celebration* includes the inspiring challenge of our featured speaker, the Rev. Christine Robinson, Senior Minister of First Unitarian Church of Albuquerque.

Workshop Tracks:

\* *Theme Tracks - Get Religion, Grow Leaders, Cross Borders* \* *Option Track*

Saturday events include three all-day, theme-based workshop tracks responding to the charge of UUA President, the Rev. Peter Morales, to "Get Religion, Cross Borders and Grow Leaders."

These all-day seminars will be augmented with an *Option Track*, consisting of shorter workshops offered by congregational leaders from the Pacific Western Region, ready to share their insights and expertise.

For Workshop Descriptions, visit <http://pwruua.org/pacific-western-regional-assembly-2013/workshop-tracks/>

Full Community:

Regional Assembly is an event inclusive of intergenerational community throughout our weekend together. In addition to age specific programming for children and middle schoolers, youth, young adults and adults of all ages will be participating in the energizing workshops, transformational worships and community building experiences that will transcend our district borders.

District Annual Business Meetings:

Also on Saturday, each district will hold their annual business meetings on April 27, with some providing off-site participation at no charge. For more information, visit Pacific Central District's website: [www.pcd-uua.org](http://www.pcd-uua.org),

Candidates for UUA Moderator:

On Sunday morning, you're invited to meet, hear and pose questions to the two candidates nominated for the office of UUA Moderator, Tamara Payne-Alex and Jim Key.

- Hotel reservations are now being accepted - special discount rates for Regional Assembly apply.
- For more information on travel & lodging discounts, please visit <http://pwruua.org/pacific-western-regional-assembly-2013/travel-detail-and-local-area-information/>

Contacts for Questions:

Children & Junior Youth: [Leonie Pickett](mailto:leoniepickett@gmail.com) - [leoniepickett@gmail.com](mailto:leoniepickett@gmail.com)

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High School Youth: [Jennica Davis](mailto:jdavis@uua.org) - [jdavis@uua.org](mailto:jdavis@uua.org)

Registration: [Janis Anable](mailto:registrar@pnwd.org) - [registrar@pnwd.org](mailto:registrar@pnwd.org)

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Volunteers: [Chuck Rosene](mailto:pcd@pcd-uua.org) - [pcd@pcd-uua.org](mailto:pcd@pcd-uua.org)

Exhibitors / Vendors: [Chuck Rosene](mailto:pcd@pcd-uua.org) - [pcd@pcd-uua.org](mailto:pcd@pcd-uua.org)

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All Other Questions: [Lori Ragona](mailto:lragona@uua.org) - [lragona@uua.org](mailto:lragona@uua.org)

Register and pay online via the Pacific Western Region Website at: [www.pwruua.org](http://www.pwruua.org). If you register by mail, your completed registration form and payment must *arrive* in Bellevue, WA by Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Online registration is preferred.

Registration deadlines: After April 10<sup>th</sup>: no mailed forms accepted. April 11<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>: online registration only. After April 19<sup>th</sup>: on-site only registration available.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other Unitarian Universalists from other districts. Please consider attending. Scholarships are available, contact Reverend Nina.

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**MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC!**

We are in need of more hymnals. We are short of both the grey hymnals (which cost \$28) and the teal hymnals (which cost \$18). If you've taken a hymnal home (which you have not purchased for your own reference), please return it to the Chapel. If you are willing to contribute to the cost of one or more hymnals, Alan Herrmann has agreed to match every donation. Thank you!

## March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b>  9:30 a.m. <b>Family Service</b>  10 a.m. <b>Service</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Religious Education Committee</b> 6:45 p.m. Home of Ursula Syrova <a href="mailto:religious.education@uufs.org">religious.education@uufs.org</a>  <b>Weaving the Stories of Our Life's Journey</b> 7:30 p.m. Carol MacFarlane	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>Genesis Discussion Group</b> 7:30 p.m. <a href="mailto:genesis.group@uufs.org">genesis.group@uufs.org</a>	<b>7</b> <b>Meditation</b> 8:30-9:30 a.m.  <b>UUFS Choir</b> 7 p.m. <a href="mailto:music@uufs.org">music@uufs.org</a>  <b>Covenant Group</b> 7:15 p.m. <a href="mailto:covenant.groups@uufs.org">covenant.groups@uufs.org</a>	<b>8</b>  <b>Social Justice Committee Meeting</b> 10 a.m. <a href="mailto:social.justice@uufs.org">social.justice@uufs.org</a>	<b>9</b>  <b>Circle Suppers</b> contact Ursula Gobets for information <a href="mailto:circle@uufs.org">circle@uufs.org</a>
<b>10</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>Family Service</b>  10 a.m. <b>Service</b>  11:30 a.m. <b>UUFS Concert Series</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>Men's Group</b> 7:15 p.m. <a href="mailto:mens.group@uufs.org">mens.group@uufs.org</a>	<b>13</b>  <b>Registration deadline for "Family to Pastoral Program"</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Meditation</b> 8:30-9:30 a.m.  <b>Women's Group</b> 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. <a href="mailto:womens.group@uufs.org">womens.group@uufs.org</a>  <b>UUFS Choir</b> 7 p.m.	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>Transitions Workshop "Family to Pastoral Program"</b> First Unitarian Church of SJ 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
<b>17</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>Family Service</b>  10 a.m. <b>Service</b>  11:30 a.m. <b>Sunday Supplement</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Family-Friendly Dinner</b> 6:00-8:00 p.m. <a href="mailto:family.friendly.dinners@uufs.org">family.friendly.dinners@uufs.org</a>  Turmeric Rest. 141 S Murphy Sunnyvale	<b>21</b> <b>Meditation</b> 8:30-9:30 a.m. <a href="mailto:meditation@uufs.org">meditation@uufs.org</a>  <b>UUFS Choir</b> 7 p.m.  <b>Covenant Group</b> 7:15 p.m.	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>  9:30 a.m. <b>Family Service</b>  10 a.m. <b>Service</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  <b>Connections Team</b> 10 a.m. <a href="mailto:membership@uufs.org">membership@uufs.org</a>  <b>Men's Group</b> 7:15 p.m. <a href="mailto:mens.group@uufs.org">mens.group@uufs.org</a>	<b>27</b>  <b>Board of Trustees Mtg.</b> 7 p.m. <a href="mailto:board.president@uufs.org">board.president@uufs.org</a>	<b>28</b> <b>Meditation</b> 8:30-9:30 a.m.  <b>Women's Book Group</b> 10 a.m.  <b>Women's Group</b> 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.  <b>UUFS Choir</b> 7 p.m.	<b>29</b>  <b>Seder Dinner</b> 5:45 p.m. until 8 p.m. Shephard Hall	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>Family Service</b>  10 a.m. <b>Service</b>  <b>Easter Brunch</b>					<u>UUFS Office Hours:</u> Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Fridays 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	