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# UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST Fellowship of Redwood City

## **UUFRC e-Bulletin for Friday, May 26, 2023**

***Please Join Our Hybrid In-person and [Zoom Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 AM.](#)***

### **The Creation of Memories**

We generally think of memories being something fixed and unchanging. Recent scientific research shows that we recreate our memories as part of recalling them. This worship service will explore what this creative act of memory means as we interpret our personal and collective history.

Worship Leader: Rev, Brian Ferguson

Worship Associate: Sarah Skovlund

Looking for previous services? Check the [video archive](#).

### Thank you to our wonderful weekly volunteers:

Zoom Manager: Elisabeth Rossi

Video Manager: John Cooney

Sound Manager: Barbie Laderman-Jones

Website Support: Crystal Valdez-Chandra

Video Production Support: Larry Chinn

Center of Interest: Laurie McMahon & the March 26 Action Sunday Participants

Welcomer: Beth Eggers

Greeter: Michele Lago

MOCA: Kathy Warne, Amy French, Nora Obermayr, Carol Cross

Grounds Crew: Leslie and David Vallerga

## ***Meetings and Events*** (click on the event link for additional information)

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[Conscientious Projector](#), **Friday, 05/26, 7:00 PM, Virtual Meeting, Contact [Philip Sanfilippo](#)**

[Food Distribution](#), **Saturday, 05/27, 7:15 AM, Offsite/Other, Contact [John Anning](#)**

[Spiritual Practices Work Shop](#), **Sunday, 05/28, 12:00 PM, Back Lounge, Contact [Rev. Brian Ferguson](#)**

[Board of Trustees \(BoT\) Monthly Meeting](#), **Tuesday, 05/30, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary, Contact [Peter Hartzell](#)**

[TechComm Monthly Meeting](#), **Wednesday, 05/31, 7:00 PM, Virtual Meeting, Contact [Greg Stovall](#)**

[Choir Rehearsal](#), **Thursday, 06/01, 5:30 PM, Sanctuary, Contact [Dawn Reyen](#)**

[SF Peninsula People Power](#), **Thursday, 06/01, 7:00 PM, Virtual Meeting, Contact [Susan Whitford](#)**

[Parent's Night Out](#), **Friday, 06/02, 5:00 PM, All Classrooms + Back Lounge + Social Hall + Kitchen (Open Gate config), Contact [Gwendolyn Holden](#)**

## ***Youth & Family Activities***

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### **Childcare / Religious Education**

Childcare is offered in the Block Room for ages 6 months through 4.

- Available weekly during Sunday worship services 10:15 –11:45 am.

If you have questions about childcare please contact [Alex Stagner](#), Program Council, Chair

### **Religious Education**

May 28 will be an Action Sunday...What will you join?

- Lunches for Day Laborers. Social Hall
- Mysteries of Our UUFRC Building - Game Room

- Jazz Improvisation - Sanctuary/Zoom
- Discussing Death - Back Lounge/Zoom
- Cards for the Pastoral Care Team - Art Room
- Reflections on the Worship Topic - Minister's Office/Zoom

If you have questions about programming for school-age children and youth, please contact [Maeve Knoth](#), Sunday Vision Implementation Committee, Chair

## ***Of Congregational Interest***

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### **Action Sunday, May 28**

This Sunday, May 28, will be an Action Sunday (there will be one last Action Sunday on June 11). Please join us in creative, thoughtful action sessions.

After a short chapel service in the sanctuary, we will break out into groups to explore “a free and responsible search for truth and meaning”. What will you join? No need to RSVP, just join the group of your choosing. All workshops open until the space is filled.

- **Lunches for Day Laborers:** Join Nick and Nathan Kibre to make bagged lunches for our neighbors seeking work. We'll decorate bags, make sandwiches, and assemble fruit and snacks for a healthy light meal. Suitable activity for all ages. Meet in the **Social Hall**.
- **Mysteries of our UUFRC Building:** Our building has an interesting and quirky history. What are its stories and mysteries? Take the UUFRC building quiz and find out! We will pair up for this short quiz and then tour the interesting spots. All ages welcome. Having a youth on your team might give you a quiz advantage! Meet Chris Stovall in the **Game Room** to start.
- **Jazz Improvisation:** Larry Chinn will demonstrate the way jazz musicians improvise and play together with assistance from John Anning. Participants will also hear recordings to learn the way improvisation works, creates arrangements and enables ensemble play. Attendees can expect to improvise, build a head arrangement and perform together. For ages 10 and up. Stay in the **Sanctuary** and on **Zoom**.
- **Discussing Death:** Death is not a topic that is discussed openly and meaningfully in our culture. Rev. Brian will facilitate a conversation about facing our own mortality and the mortality of those we love. Please be aware this is not intended to be a grief support group and that the topic could be difficult for some of us. Join us in the **Back Lounge** or on **Zoom**. Limited to 20 attendees, ages 14 and up.
- **Cards for the Pastoral Care Team:** Our Pastoral Care Team often sends a card to a member who is having a challenging time. In this workshop, we will add our

artistic talents to make an array of creative cards for the purpose of cheering up a friend! All ages are welcome in the **Art Room**.

- **Reflection on the Worship Topic:** Join Sarah Skovlund to discuss your thoughts and reflections on the topic of Creating Memories. For adults, in the **Minister's Office**, or on Zoom.

### **UUFRC Annual "BYOP" (bring your own picnic)!**

**When:** June 11, 2023 12-2pm

**Where:** Stafford Park

**Who:** Everyone ages 0-99 years young!

**What to bring:** chairs, blankets, dishes, cups, main dish, and beverages

**Connections Committee provides:** chips, fruit, desserts, BUBBLES!

For Questions, contact [Ellen Hill](#), [Sarah Skovlund](#), or any member of your Connections Committee!

### **MOCA in the Summer**

We will offer MOCA during the summer when services are held live at UUFRC. That means we'll need MOCA help on: June 18th and 25th, July 2nd, 9th, and 16th, then August 13th, 20th, 27th, and Sept. 3. There will be a sign-up chart in the Social Hall for the next few weeks, so please sign up there, or let Martha Beetley know ([tomandmartha912@gmail.com](mailto:tomandmartha912@gmail.com)) when you are available. Training will be gladly provided!

### **Checking on Pledge Fulfillment Status**

Are you confused about how much you have contributed towards your pledge for the current fiscal year (2022-2023, not to be confused with the just-ended pledge campaign for 2023-2024)? Not sure if you set up monthly payments through electronic checks or paypal? Without even asking our bookkeeper (always an option by emailing [bookkeeper.uufrc@gmail.com](mailto:bookkeeper.uufrc@gmail.com)), YOU can access your account through REALM, our online directory and accounting system. Please note that you will not have access to anyone else's information—all information is password protected.

HOW TO CHECK GIVING HISTORY IN REALM:

- 1) Go to UUFRC website at [uufrc.org](http://uufrc.org):
- 2) Click on "Members & Friends" dropdown at the top and select "Members & Friends Home Page"
- 3) Click on "Member Directory & Realm Information"
- 4) Click on "Open the Member Directory in Realm"
- 5) Sign In using your email and password that the Connections Coordinator sets you up with. OR press "Sign Up" and the system will coordinate with the Connections

Coordinator to set you up with an account.

6) When you sign in, you will be taken to a page showing your personal information. You can then access your Giving information by pressing "giving" either on the left menu or under your name.

7) The System will automatically show you what your CALENDAR year to date giving information is. It will also give you information about your fulfillment of the CURRENT Church Year Pledge (our fiscal year runs July 1-June 30) on the right-hand panel. Note that it may take our bookkeeper a couple of weeks to update the account once you have made a payment. You can change the "filter" to look at different time periods by pressing that symbol that looks like a funnel next to the printer symbol.

8) A "Gift Date Range" box opens up, and then you can modify it as you like. Then press "Filter".

9) All of the payments you have made to UUFRC (and whether they are tax deductible or not) is shown.

#### HELPFUL NOTES:

- The "Fiscal Year" in REALM is our "church year", which runs July 1 to June 30.
- The giving statement (for taxes) you should have received at the end of January via email is for the CALENDAR year 2022. Please do not confuse with the "fiscal/pledge/church" year! If you didn't receive the statement, please reach out to our bookkeeper ([bookkeeper.uufrc@gmail.com](mailto:bookkeeper.uufrc@gmail.com)).
- If you don't have access to REALM, contact the Connections Coordinator at [Connecting@uufrc.org](mailto:Connecting@uufrc.org).
- Please look at your REALM profile and make sure that the information that other members can see about you is set as you like (in the initial landing page when you log in there is a "edit" tab and a "privacy" tab which allows you to customize what information is available to whom).

Questions? Ask any member of the Finance Committee (Dick Edminster-Treasurer, Cyndi Williamson-Bookkeeper, Rob Versluis, Brett Dyer, Jen Bahr-Davidson).

### ***How to Reserve a Room for Your Event at UUFRC***

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It's easy to reserve a room for your event here at UUFRC. When you use our online form, you can choose which rooms you want to use and request all the help you need, too. For instance, you can request AV help, or childcare, or just tables and chairs.

Here's how:

Open the UUFRC web page at <https://www.uufrc.org/>

1. Choose Facility Calendar from the list at the bottom of the page.
2. Look for your preferred date in the calendar so you can see who's using which space, if anyone.
3. Click Request New Event (at the upper right).
4. Fill out all of the useful data about the event and yourself and continue to the bottom of the form.
5. Choose the rooms you want to use from the wide variety listed in the drop-down list.
6. Indicate whether or not you want to use one of the Fellowship's Zoom accounts.
7. At the very bottom of the form, choose from several additional requests including child care, AV help, cart TV, table, and chairs.
8. If you need AV help, be sure to check this box. An email message will be sent to our Tech Team. Someone on the team will sign up and contact you to find out exactly what you need and how to provide it.
9. When you have finished entering the data about your event, click the Submit button.

If you need assistance filling out the form, watch a video showing how to fill out the form on [YouTube](#).

*Announcements for the Bulletin are due Tuesday 12 noon to [bulletin@uufrc.org](mailto:bulletin@uufrc.org).*



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