

UUCG Beyond Sunday Morning

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Events This Week

- +*Congregational Conversation: Sunday, April 30
- +Tarot: Sunday, April 30
- +*Mindfulness and Meditation: Sunday, April 30
- *Choir Rehearsal: Tuesday, May 2
- +Yarns from the Heart: Wednesday, May 3
- *Property Beautification: next Saturday, May 6
- *Magical Arts and Crafts: next Saturday, May 6
- *Beltane Ritual: next Saturday, May 6

*in-person +online ^off-site in person

Congregational Conversation

Listening Circle Today

We will take time to process unresolved events and issues from the Spring 2018 OWL Program and the May 6, 2018 Worship Service, in the aftermath of which, several members resigned.

This "Listening Circle" will be facilitated by UUA Regional Staff, and will offer a place to share stories, feelings, learnings, and possibilities for healing.

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"For a dance in the alley;
For breaking the taboo of kissing in public;
For our sisters, mine and yours;
For a change in the minds of the fanatics;
For parents shame for empty pockets;
For the longing for a normal life;
For the dreams of the dumpster kids;
For this command economy;
For this polluted air;
For the dying Tehran's landmark trees;

For Pirouz (the Persian cheetah) about to go extinct;
For the unjustly banned street dogs,
For these non-stop tears;
For the loss of the downed passengers;
For the faces that smile no more;
For the school kids, for the future;
For this forced road to paradise;
For the jailed beautiful minds;
For the neglected Afghan refugee kids;
For this list that goes on and on;
For these meaningless hostile chants;

For the rubbles of the bribe-built houses;
For feeling peace of mind;
For the rise of sun after long-lasting nights;
For the tranquilizers and insomnia;
For man, homeland, prosperity;
For the girl who wished she was a boy;
For woman, life, freedom."
- برای Baraye by Shervin Hajipour

UU Principles

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides.

1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;

3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;

4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;

5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;

6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;

7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

UU Sources

We live out our Principles within a "living tradition" of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience. These are the six sources our congregations affirm and promote:

Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;

Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;

Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;

Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;

Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;

Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.