

THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
COMMUNITY CHURCH
of Santa Monica



January 19, 2020

One Service at 10 am

Our church is supported through the generosity of those who believe in liberal religion. Membership is open to all who wish to call this church their home. More info at: (310) 829-5436, office@uusm.org.

If you are visiting, you are welcome. We invite you to remain after the service for fellowship in the courtyard. Parents of infants are welcome to keep their children with them during the service, or to drop them off in our warm & loving nursery, located in the cottage.

Visitor meetup every Sunday, from 11:30am to 12:30pm at the Cottage NE. First time visitors are encouraged to attend this informal get-together held on each Sunday of the month. Looking forward to meeting you. Norm Richey & Sarah Robson, Co-Chairs, Membership Committee.

Free parking: 1311-16th St. (between Arizona Ave. & Santa Monica Blvd.) Enter 8:30am - 12:30pm. Parking passes are available in the church lobby, at the garage entrance, or at www.uusm.org

Please turn cell phones & other electronic devices to SILENT or OFF during services. Large print orders of service & assistive listening devices available via ushers.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020

The church offices will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020, for Martin Luther King Day and Monday, February 17, 2020, for Presidents' Day.

Visitor Meetup, 11:30 am, Cottage NE. Visitors and prospective members are encouraged to attend this informal get-together held on each Sunday of the month.

Children & Youth RE Committee Meeting, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, Cottage NW. The Children and Youth Religious Exploration Committee will meet today for its monthly meeting in the Pre-School Room in the Cottage from 11:30-1:30. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

FIA: Peace & Social Justice, 11:45 am - 1:00 pm, Warren Mathews Conference Room. The Peace & Social Justice Committee (PSJ) focuses on many activities in the areas of labor and economic issues; racism, police brutality, and mass incarceration; immigration and immigrant detention; and peace and alternatives to war.

FIA/Peace & Social Justice - "How to be an Anti-Racist," Part One, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Forbes Hall. To commemorate MLK Day 2020, the Peace & Social Justice Committee offers a study and discussion of the timely and important new book from **Dr. Ibram X. Kendi**. Join us for part one of the discussions which will cover chapters 1-9 of the book.

JOYS AND SORROWS

The Milestone Book is on the greeter table near the front door each Sunday. If you have a joy or sorrow that you would like to have mentioned during the meditation time please write it in the Milestone book prior to entering the sanctuary. You may also send it to pastoralcare@uusm.org and indicate you would like to have it mentioned on Sunday. If you prefer to share your joys or sorrows without having them mentioned from the pulpit please send the information to pastoralcare@uusm.org and indicate your desire for privacy.

For Joys and Sorrows email pastoralcare@uusm.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Martin Luther King Jr. Event - Make Real Now Our Promise to Democracy, Monday, January 20, 2020, 9:00 am - 10:30 am, SGI-USA World Peace Auditorium, 525 Wilshire (NW corner), Santa Monica. The Keynote Speaker will be the National Youth Poet Laureate, Amanda Gordon with music by Chosen Gospel Recovery. A Community Involvement Fair with Refreshments will follow at Fairmont Miramar, 101 Wilshire, where UUSM will be represented.

Adult Programs- An Enjoyable Dive into Who and What We Are, Monday, January 20, 2020, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm, Forbes Classroom, 3. Bill Blake helps participants master specific meditation skills. This class will include meditations that explore participants' spiritual goals.

Science Non-Fiction Book Group, Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm, Forbes Hall. We will discuss "Astrophysics for People in a Hurry," by Neil deGrasse Tyson. Today, few of us have time to contemplate the cosmos. So Tyson quickly gives us just what we need to be fluent for the next cosmic headline. All are welcome. Contact Rebecca Crawford at (310) 337-7787 with questions.

Coalition for Police Reform, Wednesday, January 22, 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm, Forbes Classroom 1. Please contact Audrey Lyness with questions.

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Adult Programs - Body-Mind Tune-Up with Bruno, Saturday, January 25, 2020, 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm, Forbes Hall. Bruno Lacombe is conducting exercise classes for seniors, super-seniors, and people with physical difficulties for UUSM members. Contact Bruno Lacombe, (310) 666-7387

Visitor Meetup, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 11:30 am, Cottage NE. Visitors and prospective members are encouraged to attend this informal get-together held on each Sunday of the month.

FIA-Lunches for Bunches, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Courtyard Shade Structure. Contact Patrick Meighan for more information.

Parent's Group Meeting, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Cottage NW. Join other parents of UUSM as we discuss the joys and challenges of parenting in a group setting. Childcare provided.

OWL meeting, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 11:45 am - 1:30 pm, Forbes Classroom 4, Mural Room. General Youth Sessions.

Discussion and Support for Persons with Disabilities, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm, Cottage SE. Come and join us as we share stories, inspirations and find community with each other. The group offers a forum in which members can feel the benefit of its mutual support.

OWL 5/6 Graduation, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm, Outside Courtyard. Contact Beth Rendeiro for more information.

AAHS Freethinkers Forum, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm, Warren Mathews Conference Room. The Peace & Social Justice Committee (PSJ) puts UU principles of justice, human rights, and sustainability into action in our local community and beyond. Everyone is welcome to join us in working to heal our world.

FIA/PSJ - "How to be an Anti-Racist" - Part Two, Sunday, January 26, 2020, 3:00 pm - 5 00 pm, Forbes Hall. To Commemorate MLK Day 2020, we will study and discuss the timely and important new book from Dr. Ibram X. Kendi. Join us for part one of the discussions which will cover chapter 10 of the book.

Open Meditation, Monday, January 27, 2020, 7:30 pm - 9:15 pm, Forbes Hall. Anyone who senses they would benefit from 20 minutes of silent, non-guided sitting is welcome to join us.

FIA/PSJ - "How to be an Anti-Racist" - Part Two Thursday, January 30, 2020, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Warren Mathews Conference Room. To Commemorate MLK Day 2020, we will study and discuss the timely and important new book from Dr. Ibram X. Kendi. Join us for part one of the discussions which will cover chapter 10 of the book.

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If some persons died, and others did not die, death would indeed be a terrible affliction. ~Jean de La Bruyere

Prelude		
*Gathering Hymn & Processional	#55 Dark of Winter	
Call to Worship	Aubrey Sassoon , Worship Associate	
Chalice Lighting		<i>Aubrey Sassoon</i>
Music for the Morning	Komm Süßer Todd Performed by UUSM Choir	<i>J.S. Bach</i>
Welcome & Announcements		
*Opening Hymn	#101 Abide with Me	
*Covenant	<i>Love is the doctrine of this church. The quest for truth is its sacrament, And service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, To seek knowledge in freedom, To serve humankind in fellowship, Thus do we covenant with each other.</i>	
*Hymn of Praise	<i>From all that dwell below the skies Let songs of hope and faith arise Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung Through every land, by every tongue.</i>	
Westside Food Bank Offering		
Time for All Ages		Cleo Anderson, Director of Religious Exploration
*Song of Blessing	#325 Love Makes a Bridge <i>Love breaks the walls of language, gender, class, and age. Love gives us wings to slip the bars of every cage.</i> <i>Love lifts the hopes that force and fear have beaten down. Love breaks the chains and gives us strength to stand our ground.</i> <i>Love makes a bridge that winds may shake, yet not destroy. Love carries faith through life and death, to endless joy.</i>	
Reading / Reflection	On Death (<i>selected quotations</i>)	<i>Kahlil Gibran</i>
Mindfulness Prayer		<i>Rev. Kikanza Nuri-Robins</i>

Silence

Musical Response

Sermon

Death Wishes

Rev. Kikanza Nuri-Robins

Musical Response

Offering

Offertory Anthem

The Tide

Will Todd

Performed by UUSM Choir

*Closing Hymn

#306 Sing of Living, Sing of Dying

*Benediction

Postlude

**Please stand in body or in spirit*



Greeters:

Roberta Frye, Audrey Lyness

Ushers:

Barbara Kernochan and Michael Young

Coffee:

Alice Hall, Eileen McCormack, Shiela Cummins, and Alice Koga

Visitor Welcome Table:

Carol Ring

Book Store:

Sarah Mae Harper

Service Notes

Today, 50% of our offering will go to Trans Lifeline, a peer-support crisis hotline that also provides financial support to trans people in crisis. Trans Lifeline has recognized that the epidemic of suicide in the trans community is inextricably linked to issues of economic justice. Please give what you can to help. Thank you!

Now you can give right from your smartphone. Text 844-982-0209 with the amount you'd like to donate and GCC in the body of your text; for example, "20 GCC". The first time you give, you'll be asked to register. Thank you for making UUSM a Generous Congregation.

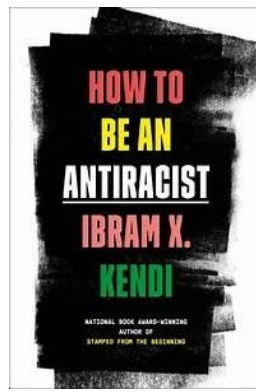
The Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins is a consultant to people and organizations in transition. She works with non-profits and faith-based organizations around the country helping them address issues of leadership, communication, and cultural competence. Her most recent book is ***Fish Out of Water*** and she is currently collaborating on a book about Gender Identities. She is a member of our UUSM community. www.KikanzaNuriRobins.com

Aubrey Sassoon is a product of our local Santa Monica Schools, Santa Monica College, and UCLA, where she studied Anthropology and the history of LGBTQ community organizing. At UUSM she serves as a Worship Associate and a member of the Healthy Congregations Council, promoting justice and compassion in our community's interpersonal relations.

Every Sunday



Today at 11:30 AM
Location: Cottage NE



Study and Discussion of HOW TO BE AN ANTIRACIST

By Ibram X. Kendi

Part One (Chapters 1 - 10)

Today, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Forbes Hall

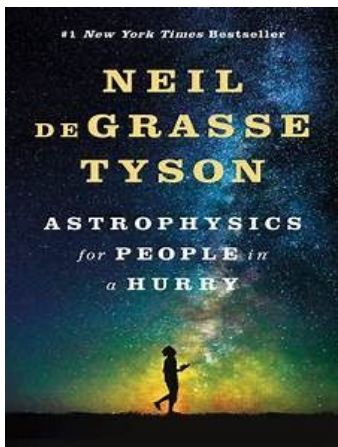
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Our Whole Lives

5/6 Graduation



January 26, 2020, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Outside Courtyard

January Artist



Jessie Kendall Bar

The exhibit will be open every Sunday from 9:00 am until noon and on weekdays by appointment. For questions or suggestions, please contact Beverly Alison at (323) 295-2306.



Parents' Group Meeting

Sunday, January 26, 2020
11:30 am - 1: 00 pm
Cottage NW

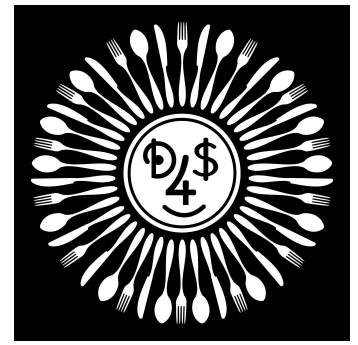
Come join to discuss the joys and challenges of parenting in a group setting!

Brave Spaces: Mindful Social Practice and Authentic Allyship

Please join the Healthy Congregation Council in welcoming Jeremy Arnold, son of Board member Abby Arnold, to our church for a workshop on the topic of Microaggressions.

Sunday, February 2 at 11:45 a.m.
Warren Mathews Conference Center.

**DINING FOR DOLLARS
ANNUAL SILENT
AUCTION**
Sundays March 8th and
March 15th



This significant church fundraiser will only be successful IF committed community members, such as yourselves, volunteer to host one of the 60-80 individual events.

Emily and her team encourage you to stop by the host sign-up table in Forbes Hall following Sunday church services. Ask questions, share ideas, become a host!
DON'T PROCRASTINATE – DO IT NOW!!!

Please Help Us Keep the Cottage Welcoming and Presentable



We are trying to keep Cottage NE suitable for Church meetings and rentals. We will be clearing this space and all items left after January 31, 2020, will be donated or disposed of. If you have any questions please email admin@uusm.org.

Keep Up-To-Date On News from UUSM



Visit news.uusm.org



Memorial Brick

\$350

Donate a brick engraved with your loved one's name. Engraved bricks at \$350 per brick, only this October. Bricks will be installed in our Garden of Eternity.

Make New Friends  Meet New People

Join the Coffee Committee

For more information, talk with Coffee Committee Co-Chairs, Linda van Ligten and Alicia Van Ooyen, or email them at coffee@uusm.org



THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SANTA MONICA

From the historical affirmation of the unity of God (Unitarian) to the universal salvation of all souls (Universalist), Unitarian Universalist beliefs have expanded to the broader concept of a unity in diversity which affirms the supreme worth of all persons, held together through love and a spark of divinity that resides in us all. Bound neither by creed nor dogma, our intentionally inclusive community honors and celebrates the right of individual thought, joins in shared concerns and respects the ever present need to deepen our understanding of the awe and wonder of life. Unitarian Universalists affirm and promote:

- *The inherent worth and dignity of every person*
- *Justice, equity and compassion in human relations*
- *Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations*
- *A free and responsible search for truth and meaning*
- *The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in our society at large*
- *The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all*
- *Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part*

Minister: The Reverend Jeremiah Kalendae
Minister Emerita: The Reverend Judith E. Meyer
Minister Emeritus: The Reverend Ernest D. Pipes

Director of Religious Exploration: Cleo Anderson
Religious Exploration Staff: Teri Lucas
Director of Music: Saunder Choi
Accompanist: Ryan Humphrey
Choir Section Leaders: Colleen Keene, Jyvonne Haskin,
Gabriel Paredes, Adrien Redford
Church Administrator: Nurit Gordon
Administrative and Financial Assistant: Cyndee Hayes
Communications Coordinator: Sibylla Nash
Sextons: Kevin Roller, Thomas Ahern

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (Meets second Tuesday of the month, 6:45pm in Forbes Hall)

Jacki Weber, <i>President</i>	Abby Arnold, <i>Member at Large</i>
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Mon-Thurs: 10:00am-5:00pm

Friday: 10:00am-1:00pm

Sat: Closed