



NEIGHBORHOOD UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF PASADENA

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- **Did you know?** A voluntary nationwide benchmark that rates green building practices, called Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, claims to certify construction that is more environmentally responsible, more healthy, and more profitable. For more information on LEED certification, go to www.usgbc.org. The 7th Principle Committee meets the **first and third Sunday of the month between services in Room 2 of the Programs Building**. Won't you join us?
- Schedule Change for **Writing as a Spiritual Activity**. Writing as a Spiritual Activity is a group encouraging written self expression in a supportive environment. This January **we have returned to a later meeting time of 10:45 a.m.** to accommodate those who wish to attend the early service or catch a few more winks on Sunday mornings. For more information please help yourself to a flyer on the Life Long Learning table and join us in room 22, above the chapel, behind Stephen Grimm's office across from the choir practice room.
- Check out our **new play structure** in the preschool yard! A special thanks to Fair Oaks Preschool for their partnership. The play structure is **open after each service from 10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.** Parents are responsible for their children at all times. Please observe all posted rules.
- **Meet the Ministers today at 1:00 p.m.** Are you new to Neighborhood or ready to become a member? Join our ministers, for informal office hours and great conversation today from **1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.** upstairs in Neighborhood House.
- Did you see the big trailer in our parking lot? It belongs to the **Pierre family**; mother, Renee and daughters, Aisha-14 and Soleil-9. They hail from Rhode Island where Renee is a DRE. The family took a year off to travel the country and explore UU churches. They'll be here with us for about a week. Please give them a warm welcome. Check out their trip journal at: <http://goodsamclub.mytripjournal.com/thepierregirls>.
- The **Neighborhood Marketplace** is open **between services on the patio**. Audio CDs are available of the services or dedicate flowers to mark a special occasion. Help us to open up before both services by volunteering to take a shift - contact **Lynda Larsen** at lynlarsen@earthlink.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Social Justice Knitting** continues **February 6** in the **Neighborhood Church Living Room** to provide items for **Afghans for Afghans**. The group meets on **alternating Wednesdays** and both beginners and experienced knitters are welcome. Please contact **Lulu Escott** if you have any questions at scooterlu@sbcglobal.net.
- **Pasadena Pro Musica** and **Playground for Actors** present **The Lark** on **Sunday, February 17 at 4:00 p.m.** in the **Sanctuary**. Leonard Bernstein's music for chorus and percussion accompanies the production of Jean Anouilh's play on the life of Joan of Arc. Lee Eskey will direct this readers' theatre production of the Lillian Helman translation of Anouilh's play, which presents the life and legend of Joan of Arc as dramatized before her persecutors and demonstrates her bravery and faith. Admission: \$20, seniors & students \$15.
- Get UUr Motor Running...On **Saturday, February 23**, a small group of kind and gentle **Neighborhood Church motorcycle riders** will be gathering in the **parking lot of the Church at 7:30 a.m.** with kickstands up for a breakfast ride. The first ride will be to the Rock Inn located in Lake Elizabeth. We are tentatively planning on regular rides the last Saturday of every month. All CC's welcome. For more information, email **James Coomes** at jmcoomes@gmail.com.
- **Neighborhood Suppers**. What's better than good food and good conversation? Join us for in-home potlucks hosted by Church members and friends. **Please note the changes in dates...in-home Circle Suppers are February 16 and 23.** The **restaurant Supper is also on February 23**. Stop by the **Welcome Table to sign up** or contact **Marsha Tomlinson** at circlesuppers@yahoo.com for more information.
- **CANVASS SUNDAY, March 9!** Every year the church gathers at one service to honor our commitment to Neighborhood Church for the coming church year. Please plan on attending this special service at **10:00 a.m. (one service only)**. A light meal and celebration will follow. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Pankratz at mikepankratz@aol.com or Clyde Derrick at cderrick3@aim.com.
- The UUA is launching a new OWL program specifically for young adults and is offering training for those interested in being facilitators for either the Young Adult Program or the adult program. **The training is being held the weekend of February 15-17 at the First UU Church of San Diego**. The church will cover your registration fee and transportation costs, home hospitality is provided by the San Diego Church and meals are included in the training. If you are interested, please contact **Sara LaWall** for an application by email at slawall@uuneighborhood.org or drop a note in the "in-box" at the **Lifelong Learning table**.

February 10:
"Spirituality of Water" *Rev. Hannah Petrie*

- Our 4th & 5th graders will begin their **10 week OWL class in late February**. OWL (Our While Lives) is our comprehensive sexuality education course. **A mandatory parent and child orientation will be held on Sunday, February 17th from 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. for all families who want to enroll or are just interested in learning more about the program.** The remaining sessions will continue March 2 during the 11:30 a.m. service. Please sign up for the meeting at the **Lifelong Learning table** or contact **Sara LaWall** at slawall@uunehood.org for more information.

SAVE THE DATE!

The **2nd Annual Neighborhood Church prom** will be on **Saturday, March 1, at 7:00 p.m.** More to follow.

LIFELONG LEARNING UPDATES

- Our 2008 Winter/Spring catalog of adult classes is almost ready. We have an exciting slate of classes on topics including Death & Dying, Chinese Lives & History, Relaxation, Water Justice, two parenting series - one from the Center for Nonviolent Education & Parenting and one led by our own Michelle Lang based upon the best-selling book *Parenting from the Inside Out* and much more! We hope to have catalogs and registration available shortly--we'll let you know as soon as they are ready . . .stay tuned.

SPEAKER SERIES

We are thrilled to have two very exciting speakers lined up for 2008 and are working to add more to the list!

- February 12, 7:00pm - Forrest Church will be speaking about his new book *So Help Me God: The Founding Fathers and the First Great Battle Over Church and State* (recently excerpted in UU World). In the midst of a Presidential election year and on the heels of Jim's sermon *Mitt Romney and the Golden Tablets*, we are pleased to have Forrest Church join us as we continue to explore the intersection of Religion and Politics.
- April 14, 7:00pm, Chris Hedges will be our special guest, discussing his new book, *I Don't Believe in Atheists*. His book critiques the radical mindset that rages against religion and faith. Hedges identifies the pillars of the new atheist belief system, revealing that the stringent rules and rigid traditions in place are as strict as those of any religious practice.

Members & Friends of Neighborhood Church who are Serving Today

Service Support: Alyssa Bellew

Custodian: Miguel Mendoza

Childcare providers:

Infants: Evelyn Espinosa, Dorene Ng
Pre-School: Brittany O'Dell, Traci Matsumoto, Manny Verdin

Chalice Children:

1st Service: Ruth Landsberger, Amanda Salamone,
Isabelle Youngman
2nd Service: Mirna Petersen, Christiana Rosa, Amanda Salamone

K – 1st Grade:

1st Service: Mark King, Katy Klotz, Sarah Richardson
2nd Service: Richard Heilemann, Sandra Solis, Monica Villegas

2nd Grade- 3rd Grade:

1st Service: Beverly Belling, Mark Cohn, Delphine Vasko
2nd Service: Isabel Pappani, Melanie Schmidt, Helen Staphenhorst

4th Grade- 5th Grade:

1st Service: Anne Franck, Chris Sutton, Laura Whitmore
2nd Service: Lauren Eaton, Tres Izzard, Justin Levy

6th Grade- 7th Grade:

1st Service: Tom Klotz, Kit Petrie, Mary Beth Short
2nd Service: Carol Bennett, Pamela Miller, Rick Mitchell,

Lynn Miyamoto

8th Grade (ROP):

2nd Service Only: Michael Alvarado, Kathryn Roberts, Sam Westcott

Senior High:

2nd Service Only: Bonnie Bluestein, Erin Lindsay, Bill Meurer,
Josh Stallings

Senior High OWL:

2nd Service Only: Clara Aburto, Grady Goddard, Wendy Hunter,
Josh Stallings

Sunday Service Volunteers:

1st Service Ushers: Cynthia Cohn, Jennifer Eich, Mimi
Hennessy, Tracy King
2nd Service Ushers: Janet Preston, Mary Rider
1st Service Sound and Lighting: Cheryl Revkin
2nd Service Sound and Lighting: Cheri Gaulke
Flowers: Jo Kehoe
Candles: Sam Palahnuk

Patio Table Volunteers:

1st Service Advocacy Table: Bonnie Blustein
2nd Service Advocacy Table: Terri Hopper
1st Service Coffee Servers: Kay and Jim Medof
2nd Service Coffee Servers: Laurie Gould, Janet Preston
Neighborhood Market: Phoebe Conn, Carole Markell

Welcome Committee Volunteers:

1st Service Welcome Table: Lyn Munro
2nd Service Welcome Table: Mia Lee
1st Service Greeters: Carol Lim
1st Service Choices at Neighborhood: Bob Barber
2nd Service Choices at Neighborhood: Carol and Wes Louissaint