



NEIGHBORHOOD UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF PASADENA

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TODAY – DECEMBER 2, 2007

- Today is the **Alternative Gift Market after each service in Ross Chapel**. This is a chance to purchase gifts during the holiday season which are for local, national and international humanitarian projects focused on saving lives and preserving our planet. Forms listing the projects can be found on the **Social Justice tables or in the Chapel**. The Market will continue through next Sunday, December 9. Questions? Contact **Beth Colcord** bcolcord@uuneighborhood.org.
- If you have yet to pick up the **UUSC Guest At Your Table boxes**, they will be available today on the patio at the **Social Justice Table**. The boxes are a way to celebrate UU faith in action as coins or bills are placed in the box at mealtimes to pay for a "guest" at your table who would have no other resources for food. The **boxes are to be returned for church services on December 23 or 24**. The money collected will be sent to the UUSC to support its human rights work around the world. For further information, please contact **Beth Colcord**, bcolcord@uuneighborhood.org.
- **Holiday Pageant Time!** Calling all young Neighborhood Thespians. Please join Susan McCarthy (Pageant Director) for an informational meeting on **today at 10:45 a.m. (between services) in room 2**. We'll introduce the script and perhaps even cast some parts. The Pageant itself will be held during the service (single service at 10:00 a.m.) on **Sunday, December 23**.
- **Meet the Ministers today at 1:00 p.m.** Are you new to Neighborhood or ready to become a member? Join our Senior Minister, Rev. Dr. Jim Nelson, for informal office hours and great conversation today from **1:00 - 1:30 p.m. in his office**.
- The good news: the Neighborhood Market has a new shipment of Fair Trade coffee and chocolate bars on sale. The not-so-good-news: we've had to raise our price since the vendor has raised its price. The BEST news: by buying a fair trade item you're helping to guarantee a living wage to small farmers organized in cooperatives around the world; and by making that purchase at the Neighborhood Market, you're contributing to the financial welfare of Neighborhood Church. While buying your coffee or chocolate, sign up for a flower dedication-lots of spaces available in 2008. Price is \$35.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sanctuary Holiday Decorating Party!** Fun for All Ages! **Saturday, December 8, at 5:00 p.m.** Once again, we will gather to decorate the Sanctuary for the holidays and party while we are doing it. There will be activities for all ages; crafts for the children, tree trimming for the moderately spry, light untangling and decoration unwrapping for the sedentary, and swag hanging for the athletic. Once we have the Sanctuary gloriously bedecked, we will celebrate with a potluck. **A-G main dishes, H-M sides and salads, N-S desserts, T-Z drinks**. If you would like to bring a poinsettia we can make the Sanctuary even more gorgeous. Please contact **Irene Burkner** at (626) 791-8618 or iwoodsburkner@earthlink.net.
- **Calling All New Members!** Please join us for our **New Member Welcome Ceremony** on **Sunday, December 9, at both services**. This lovely ceremony gives the congregation a chance to welcome you into the Church family and pledge their support to you as you travel along your spiritual journey. If you would like to participate, please call or email **Kim Hayden**, **Membership Coordinator**, at (626) 449.3470 ext. 21 or khayden@uuneighborhood.org by **Tuesday, December 4**.
- On **December 16**, the children and youth of Neighborhood Church will be making **Yule Logs**, a Neighborhood tradition for the holidays. Donations of logs (8-20 inches), pine cones, seed pods, berries, and greenery are needed to make this project a success. Please call **Mary Rider** (626) 357-5045 or email dmrider1@verizon.net if you have questions.
- **Sunday, December 16, Pasadena Pro Musica** will wish us all a Froliche Weinachten with a program of Christmas cantatas of 17th and 18th century German composers. Come celebrate the holiday season by listening to the glorious music of J.S. Bach, Dietrich Buxtehude, and others in the **Sanctuary**. The concert starts at **4:00 p.m.** and **admission is \$20; seniors and students \$15**.
- **New to Neighborhood?...**Then we have a program for you. If you're a newcomer, new member, or UU from elsewhere, join our ministers on **January 12, 2008**, from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** and make 50 new church friends. We want to make it easy for you to connect with the church community. Registration is needed since we provide lunch and daycare. Register by emailing **Betsy Blue** at eablue@earthlink.net or by **signing up at the Welcome Table** on Sunday.
- Plan ahead! Neighborhood will be offering our annual **Winter Family Camp at de Benneville Pines** in the San Bernardino Mountains, **February 8-10, 2008**. A great opportunity for relaxation and fun for all -- families, couples, singles. Summer camp sold out immediately, so don't be left out in the cold! For more information and registration details, look for the **registration table on the church patio after services beginning Sunday, December 9**. NOTE: This is a great opportunity for new members to relax and get to know others in the congregation...or, for those thinking about becoming members, to relax and see if this is a group you really want to hang out with. Don't miss out!
- **Checks in the offering plate** will be considered *offering* unless specified otherwise in the memo line. Thank you for your gifts.

Sunday, December 9, 2007

"A Light in the Dark"

Rev. Dr. Jim Nelson

1 service only at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 23 & 30

No YRE classes for K-12.
Childcare and Chalice Children as usual.

The office will be closed December 25
and January 1

Holiday church office hours are
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
December 24, 26-28 and 31

LIFELONG LEARNING UPDATES

Do you have special expertise in an area of interest to our members? Have you thought about offering a class or discussion group? We are looking for offerings to fill both winter/spring 2008 and ideas for the 2008-2009 church year. New Lifelong Learning Proposal Forms are now available on the Lifelong Learning Table. If you have something to offer, fill one out and turn it in at the table or mail it to the office in care of Lifelong Learning. We will review all proposals regularly for inclusion in our program catalog.

Members & Friends of Neighborhood Church who are Serving Today

Service Support: Alyssa Bellew

Childcare providers:

Infants: Evelyn Espinosa, Dorene Ng, Traci Matsumoto
Pre-School: Dorian Danic, Brittany O'Dell, Amanda Salamone

Chalice Children:

1st Service: Jeannette Hammond, 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: Mark Cohn, Lowell Meyer, Delphine Vasko
2nd Service: Eran Hayden, Isabel Pappani, Melanie Schmidt,
Helen Stapenhorst

Sunday Service Volunteers:

1st Service Ushers: Cynthia Cohn, Mimi Hennessey, Tracy King,
Jennifer Van Hying
2nd Service Ushers: Janice Morris, Janet Preston, Ned Racine,
Mary Rider
1st Service Sound and Lighting: Cheryl Revkin
2nd Service Sound and Lighting: Cheri Gaulke
Flowers: Jo Kehoe
Candles: Sam Palahnuik

Welcome Committee Volunteers:

2nd Service Welcome Table: Mia Lee
1st Service Greeters: Melissa Campbell
2nd Service Greeters: Terry Schuler

Neighborhood Church Chorus:

Soprano: Hannelore Bauer, Samela Beasom, Helene Hancock, Afton Hefley, Wendy Hunter, Toni LeBel, Lee McNall, Monica Villegas,
Lynn Walford, Sara Willard, Elizabeth Yeakle, Linda Zinn

Alto: Jane Conner, Patricia Earnshaw, Joan Ellison, Nancy Holland, Connie Hood, Julie Hiroto, Shari Majumder, June Manners,
Barbara McMahan, Meredith Cain-Nielsen, Robin Robinson, Linda Stowitts, Mary Ella Van Voorhis, Melva Watts, Edwenna Werner,
Carla Willis

Tenor: Franz Brightbill, Grady Goddard, Jody Golightly, Cesareo Perez, Tom Stowitts, Noel Vore

Bass: Rob Applegate, Mark Beasom, Bill De Poto, Bob Holmes, John Huetinck, John Kimball, Eric Spelman

Neighborhood Church Bell Choir:

Bells: Mary Brennan, Bruce Carr, Ginna Hastings, Bob Holmes, Allie Izzard, Alice Landolph, Lindy Lindeman, Barbara Masters, Lupe Moore,
Shelby Rector, Robin Robinson, Elizabeth Sadlon, Nancy Steele, Ann Tavormina, Isabel Youngman

Harp: Ron Longo

Custodian: Miguel Mendoza

4th Grade- 5th Grade:

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

Justin Levy

6th Grade- 7th Grade:

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

Lynn Miyamoto

8th Grade (ROP):

2nd Service Only: Mike Ligon, Kathryn Roberts, Sam Westcott

Senior High:

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

Patio Table Volunteers:

1st Service Advocacy Table: Matt and Delphine Vasko
2nd Service Advocacy Table: Marianne Dryden
1st Service Lifelong Learning Table: Sam Westcott
2nd Service Lifelong Learning Table: Terri Hopper
1st Service Coffee Servers: Kay and Jim Medof
2nd Service Coffee Servers: Laurie Gould, Ginna Hastings
Neighborhood Market: Phoebe Conn, Carole Markell

1st Service Welcome Tour: Mimi Hennessey

2nd Service Welcome Tour & Meeting: Terry Schuler

1st Service Choices at Neighborhood: Bob Barber

2nd Service Choices at Neighborhood: Carol and Wes Louissaint

Stephen Grimm, Music Director

Audrey Vaughn, Bell Choir Director