



NEIGHBORHOOD UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF PASADENA

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TODAY – DECEMBER 9, 2007

Today is the last day to shop 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.

- **New Family Orientation** will take place **today, after each service (10:45 a.m. & 12:45 p.m.)**, in the **Chalice Children classroom** (the south side of the preschool building). Are you a new family? Join **Sara LaWall, Director of Religious Education**, for a short and sweet introduction to the philosophy and logistics of our Youth Religious Education Program as well as some Unitarian Universalist History. Children are welcome and may play in the classroom or adjoining play yard with supervision by our provided childcare staff.
- **Check out the new outdoor classroom/picnic area** on your way to the Alternative Gift Market.
- The Special Offering this Sunday will be given to **Young & Healthy** - a health care program that provides free medical, dental, psychological and case-management services to low-income, uninsured children in the Pasadena Schools, day care centers and homeless shelters in the greater Pasadena community. *If you would like more information please go to <http://www.youngandhealthy-pas.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.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Social Justice Knitting** continues this **Wednesday, December 12**, in the **Neighborhood Church Living Room** to provide items for **Afghans for Afghans**. If you would like more information regarding this program, please visit <http://www.afghansforafghans.org>. 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.
- 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.
- Don't miss the **Rainbow Families Holiday party extravaganza Sunday, December 16**, from **3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** in **Ross Chapel**. Jolly Old St. Nick will be arrive around 4 o'clock for photos and goodies. Please bring a holiday side dish to share. Rainbow Families is a social network group for LGBT families. Happy Holidays! Any questions please contact RainbowFamilies@uuneighborhood.org or find **Terri Hopper**.
- **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 childcare. Register by emailing **Betsy Blue** at eablue@earthlink.net or by **signing up at the Welcome Table** on Sunday.
- Cheap tickets (\$10) for an elegant event (**February 2nd's Café Society Silent-and-Live Auction**) will go on sale next month. Meanwhile, we need YOUR help in gathering donations, especially "big ticket" items such as 80-year-old scotch, hotel and restaurant gift certificates, travel adventures, or brunch with Meryl Streep. Call or email Lee the Auction Princess at **(626) 398-1232** or nedracine@earthlink.net.
- 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 today. 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!

Sunday, December 16, 2007

“Call It Gravy”

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

There will be no Building The World We Dream class on January 1, 2008.

Members & Friends of Neighborhood Church who are Serving Today

Service Support: Anna Cremarosa

Childcare providers:

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

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, Delphine Vasko
2nd Service: Eran Hayden, Isabel Pappani, Melanie Schmidt,
Helen Stapenhorst

Sunday Service Volunteers:

1st Service Ushers: Sandy Hume, Lindy Lindeman, Lupe Moore,
Jennifer Waters
2nd Service Ushers: Irene Burkner, Janice Partyka, Mary Rider
1st Service Sound and Lighting: John Cromshow
2nd Service Sound and Lighting: Erik Peterson
Flowers: Jo Kehoe
Candles: Sam Palahnuk

Welcome Committee Volunteers:

1st Service Welcome Table: Cole Spitler, Phoebe Conn
2nd Service Welcome Table: David Tomlinson
1st Service Greeters: Jennie and Topper Smith
2nd Service Greeters: Whitney Royce and Marsha Langford

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 McMahon, 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

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: Peggy Painton
2nd Service Advocacy Table: Marilyn Downey
1st Service Lifelong Learning Table: Julie Hiroto
2nd Service Lifelong Learning Table: Judy Taylor
1st Service Coffee Servers: Guillermo & Monica Villegas
2nd Service Coffee Servers: Judy Taylor, Kathryn Taylor
Neighborhood Market: Madelaine and Yukio Okano

1st Service Welcome Tour: Thom Daniels

2nd Service Welcome Tour & Meeting: C Reed

1st Service Choices at Neighborhood: Mike Pankratz

2nd Service Choices at Neighborhood: Kevin Kroeker

Stephen Grimm, Music Director