



# May 2016 Chalice PrevUUs Calendar

Newsletter of the Chalice Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Escondido, California  
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## Sunday Services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**May 1 Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **“Adoration Sunday”**

#### **Multigenerational Service**

To adore is to love deeply and fully. But we can feel embarrassed to show our love openly and unabashedly. This May Day, we celebrate the beauty and blessings of loving with our whole hearts. We will dance the maypole between services.

**May 8 Music Service**

### **“Songs My Mother Taught Me”**

Our annual Spring Music Service! This year's theme is in honor of Mother's Day. See the article later in this newsletter for more details about this special service. Tim McKnight will be our worship musician.

**May 15 Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **“When the Spirit Says Do”**

Pentecost in the Christian tradition is the occasion—7 weeks after Easter Sunday—of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the followers of Jesus Christ. This morning's service explores how Unitarian Universalists may engage with this celebration. Attendees are encouraged to wear red to church this day.

**May 22 Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **“Reclaiming Leisure”**

Embracing voluntary simplicity often brings us to focus on doing less, getting rid of things, saying no, and scaling back. Eventually the time comes to ask, what do we want MORE of? This is the ninth in a 10-part sermon series on voluntary simplicity.

**May 29 Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **“Prayers for Peace”**

In 1950, the United States Congress issued a joint resolution calling on the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day as a day of prayer for permanent peace. Today we respond to this call with a service of prayer this day.

## Spirit Study May Calendar

PIZZA DINNER  
(AND DISCUSSION)!

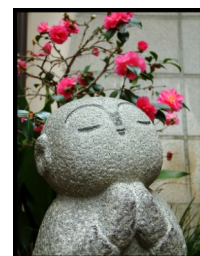
Wednesday, May 18  
Please help set up beginning at  
5:30 p.m.  
Pizza Dinner: 6-8 p.m.  
Cleanup: 8-8:30 p.m.

Congregants participating in Spirit Study (Voluntary Simplicity) will break into small groups for discussion at 7 p.m.

\$5 donation requested  
Please RSVP here: *[see internal newsletter]*

This is our final Spirit Study dinner of the spring.

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## Sabbatical Task Force Forum on May 22nd!

Last month you learned about the Sabbatical Task Force that is going to smooth the transition before, during, and after Rev. Sharon's upcoming sabbatical (July through October). Members of the Sabbatical Task Force are: Deb Coon (Chair), Jerry Carter, Lloyd Kelly, Andi Stout, Rev. Sharon Wylie, and Kathy Zapata-Bergamini. We will be holding a Forum between services on May 22 to inform interested congregants about Rev. Sharon's plans for Sabbatical as well as plans for how the congregation and all of its work and worship will be managed during her absence. Please attend!!

## Crafts and Chalice Children - and you!

This summer is the perfect opportunity to get your feet wet volunteering for RE, by helping out with our Summer of Crafts! There's a number of ways you can be involved this July through September, from simply giving us a craft idea, to being a class helper, to leading a class. Whatever your comfort level, there's a way to be involved with lots of support. Any questions? Contact Leslie Aguilar at *[see internal newsletter]* or Morgen Spear at *[see internal newsletter]*

Chalice surrounded by eight symbols from great religions and wisdom traditions of the world: Native American sun sign, Islam's crescent and star, the Jewish Star of David, the Hindu word “Om”, a 5 pointed star or pentagram for goddess/creation-centered spirituality, the Chinese Taoist yin yang, a Christian cross, and the Buddhist wheel of dharma. Designed by Gary Cagle for Chalice Unitarian



## Church Camp at de Benneville Pines, June 3-June 5, 2016

Spend a weekend relaxing and connecting with others at our beautiful retreat in the San Bernardino Mountains. Church Camp is coming up soon – June 3rd through June 5th at de Benneville Pines. Registration is now open. Early registration until May 8: Adults \$155; Teens \$115; Children \$95 (prices go up \$5 after May 8).

**You say you want an extra day?** Come up on Thursday June 2nd for an additional \$20 per person (meals not provided)! Potluck planned for Thursday night, full kitchen available for other meals you bring. Thursday night accommodations may be temporary - be prepared to move to a different cabin Friday if notified by registrar.

**You can register online at** <http://www.firstuusandiego.org/all-church-camp>.

Registration forms are available online and on Sunday mornings on the patio at Chalice.

Contact Camp Registrar Lesleigh Helder [allchurchcamp@gmail.com](mailto:allchurchcamp@gmail.com).

Chalice contact is Brittany Keegan [chaliceuuc@gmail.com](mailto:chaliceuuc@gmail.com).



## Rummage Sale – May 13 & 14, 2016

The rummage sale is expected to be a great financial success for Chalice, thanks to the donations you will make. These donations don't have to be just from your home. Ask friends and neighbors to donate gently used items they no longer need or want. There couldn't be a better way to right-size for your current situation.

To help make this a financial success, we have created suggested category lists of acceptable donations and unacceptable donations. If you have a question about your items, contact Mary Best at *[see internal newsletter]*

### Accepting

- Clothing - outer wear, clean, free of stains and tears (baby, child, teen, men, women, shoes, formal wear, coats, dresses, jeans, slacks, shirts, blouses, tops, hats, swimsuits, PJs)
- Appliances and lamps - working on all settings
- Kitchen items
- Furniture in good condition
- Camping gear
- Yard tools
- Garage tools
- Plants, pots and potting tools
- CDs, DVDs
- Pictures, frames, mirrors
- Art and decorative objects
- Seasonal decorations
- Linens - kitchen, table, bath, bed
- Jewelry, accessories, watches (please assist by putting into plastic food storage bags)
- Toys - large and small, puzzles, children and adults
- Hobby items, supplies
- Pet supplies, toys
- Fabric, yarn, and tools
- Decorative pillows
- Exercise equipment, sports equipment
- New technology items: camera, smart TV

## Chalice UU Congregation



**Friday May 13th 8 to 3**  
**Saturday May 14th 8 to noon**

2324 Miller Avenue  
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Unbelievable selection of gently-used items  
from hundreds of families!

**Toys, Clothes, Appliances, Furniture, Jewelry,  
Tools, Sporting Goods and MORE**

### Not Accepting

- Clothing - underwear
- Old technology - TVs, VCRs, Walkman, Camera, Computers, Monitors, software, electronic waste items
- Large appliances (washer, dryer)
- Large, overstuffed, stained furniture
- Books
- Liquids: paint, perfume
- Mattresses
- Anything dirty, torn, and worn beyond use



### Calendar of Upcoming Music Department Events

Music Service Dress Rehearsal	May 7 @ 10am-3pm
Spring Music Services	May 8 @ 9am & 11am
Anderson & Friends Concert	June 12 @ 6pm
Cabaret "Revolution" Performances	Oct 6-9

### Sunday Worship Music May Highlights

- May 1:** **Spirit of Chalice** (our very own children's choir!) will be performing a mashup of "Everything Is Awesome!!!" (which is the theme song from *The Lego Movie*) and Pharrell Williams' song "Happy". **Tim McKnight** will be our worship musician.
- May 8:** Our annual Spring Music Service! This year's theme is "Songs My Mother Taught Me." See the article later in this newsletter for more details about this special service. **Tim McKnight** will be our worship musician.
- May 15:** **Steve Withers** will be our worship musician.
- May 22:** Our Prelude will feature **John Schulz** on piano and **Cathy Gray** on violin performing "Ashokan Farewell", by Jay Unger. This piece was used extensively in the Ken Burns series on the Civil War. **John Schulz** will be our worship musician.
- May 29:** **Steve Withers** will be our worship musician.

### "Songs My Mother Taught Me" – Spring Music Service

In 1880, Czech composer Antonín Dvořák penned the seven-song cycle *Gypsy Songs*. The fourth song in this cycle, "Songs My Mother Taught Me," inspires this year's Spring music service of the same name, which will take place on Mother's Day, May 8th. Dvořák's song says:

Songs my mother taught me, in the days long vanished;  
Seldom from her eyelids were the teardrops banished.  
Now I teach my children, each melodious measure.  
Oft the tears are flowing, oft they flow from my memory's treasure.

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, the talented musicians of Chalice will pay tribute to mothers and grandmothers everywhere. We will also honor the role that music has played in our homes and families, as it is passed down from generation to generation. You will hear the Chancel Choir, the handchime ensemble, *Spirit of Chalice*, and several Chalice members who will be sharing the *songs their mothers taught them*. This service will surely tug at your heartstrings, and we hope it will remind all of us to keep music alive in our homes so that future generations will proudly present their own version of this service.

### Cabaret 2016 (October 6-9) — Chalice's musicale extraordinaire!!

While the directors are busy working on the cast list for Cabaret 2016, we need to start planning the production itself. Are you good at designing set pieces? Or at painting parts of what someone else has designed? Have a talent with make-up? Do you like to be on a team that is building a stage out of lumber and hardware? Or enjoy helping people imagine costumes for their role and how to put it together out of thrift store items? Do you like to run sound or lights for theater? Can you usher or help with refreshments at the shows? If any of these appeal to you, or you don't yet know how you could help but want to put your name into the mix, please tell Andi Stout, [see internal newsletter] or Deb Coon, [see internal newsletter] right away, so they can add you to one or more of the Cabaret Teams. It takes a village!

### Sunday Morning Childcare for Chancel Choir Members!

The Music Program is happy to announce that childcare will now be provided from 8:15-8:45 am on those Sundays when Chancel Choir is singing. If you have ever wanted to join the choir but didn't have a plan for your kids during Sunday morning rehearsals, we've got you covered now! The Chancel Choir generally sings on two Sundays per month from September through June.

## Congregational Forum on Social Justice Policy

Sunday, May 8, between services

How can Chalice most effectively and accountably take positions on issues of social justice? Last year, a Social Justice Policy Taskforce was formed to answer this question. Rev. Elizabeth Bukey, Dennis Brown, Deb Coon, Jeff Heys, and Susan Spoto researched best practices and carefully considered what approach we should take. We submitted our proposal to the Board, which supports it with a minor revision. Come hear about our proposed policy, which we hope will strengthen our social justice program and enable us to more effectively seek justice within the wider world.

## County-Wide Social Justice Meeting

Saturday, May 14, 1-3pm

First UU Church of San Diego

4190 Front Street, San Diego

Save the date for this meeting about social justice efforts at the five UU congregations in San Diego County.

## Greeter/Usher Retreat

Saturday, June 11, 9-12

If you serve as a Greeter/Usher, or if you are interested in doing so, and helping welcome newcomers to the congregation, please join us for a retreat to get to know one another and to reconnect with the spiritual and emotional

## Pastoral Care Team

The Pastoral Care Team, in consultation with Rev. Sharon, provides support for those in the congregation in need. This can take the form of cards, flowers, meals, temporary transport, and personal visits. We also visit members who cannot attend services.

If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral support, please contact Rev. Sharon or Nancy Hurt, Lay Chaplain Convener, at *[see internal newsletter]*.

## May Circle Suppers

You are invited to Circle Supper on **Saturday, May 21** at 6pm. Circle Suppers are monthly dinners in a pot-luck format with usually eight people at a host's home. Dinners are held on the third Saturday of the month. The number of dinners each month depends on how many people participate that month. This is a great way to get to know each other better and further our sense of community. Newcomers are welcome. If interested in attending please contact Dani Comer by **Wednesday, May 11** at *[see internal newsletter]*.

## Weekly Community

**Yoga Class** meets at 7 pm **each Tuesday evening** in the Chapel. These are friendly classes, with gentle teachers and appreciative students. Wear loose, comfortable clothing. A \$5 donation is suggested, but not required.

**Cracker Barrel** is a group of liberal thinkers; they are friendly, supportive men who meet each Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast, and discussion at 9:30., at Coco's in Escondido. New friends are welcome. Contact Marty Schwartz at *[see internal newsletter]*

This is open to all men of Chalice. If you are looking to meet life long friends with a sense of humor, Cracker Barrel may be exactly what you are looking for.

**Women's Meditation & Buddhist Study** This group focuses on mutual support and the practical implementation of Buddhism in order to enrich our daily lives. Our format is to check in, read aloud from our selected book, discuss what we have just read, and then meditate for 30 minutes. Our readings about Buddhist practice and philosophy are written by contemporary writers and Buddhist teachers, and are chosen by group consensus. We meet in the chapel from 10:30 am until 12:00 every Thursday. Newcomers welcome. Contact: *[see internal newsletter]*





## Women's Book Discussion

On Tuesday, May 17 at 7:15pm, the Chalice Women's Book Group will meet in the Common Room to discuss *Station Eleven* by Emily Mandel St. John. Kirsten Raymonde will never forget the night Arthur Leander, the famous Hollywood actor, had a heart attack on stage during a production of *King Lear*. That was the night when a devastating flu pandemic arrived in the city, and within weeks, civilization as we know it came to an end. *Station Eleven* tells the spellbinding story of a Hollywood star, his would-be savior, and a nomadic group of actors roaming the scattered outposts of the Great Lakes region, risking everything for art and humanity. It is a story about the relationships that sustain us, the ephemeral nature of fame, and the beauty of the world as we know it. Debi Streett-Idell will lead our discussion.

We meet the third Tuesday of every month at 7:15 PM in the Common Room. Please come and join us for a stimulating and fun evening, discussing the book and all the other topics, ideas and experiences that we share at our meetings. Newcomers are welcome, please contact: Dani Comer [see internal newsletter]

June's Book: **Orphan Train** by Christine Baker Kline

## Fiber Artists

The Fiber Arts Group which meets the third Wednesday of each month will meet May 18, at 1 PM in the Common Room at Chalice. This group is open to all crafters of any type. Do you: knit, sew, crochet, quilt, weave, make cards? The list is endless. Please bring your hand work to the meetings and join with like-minded individuals for encouragement and wonderful conversation. Contact Dianne Decker-Houser at ddhouser30@yahoo.com with any questions.



## Chalice Dine-Out

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month. The Dine Out Group will meet on May 25 at the French Market Grille at 15750 Bernardo Heights in Poway. Please RSVP to Cindy Carter at [see internal newsletter]. Restaurant website: frenchmarketgrille.com

Singles and couples, all are welcome for conversation, catching up and getting acquainted. This is an open group that enjoys breaking bread together.

## Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch

The Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch will meet on Friday, May 20 at the Nordstrom's Lunchroom at the North County Westfield Mall. The Mall is east of the I-15 freeway at Via Rancho Pkwy exit. Park on the north side of the mall for easy entrance to the lunchroom. We meet at 11:30 AM and welcome newcomers! Please RSVP to Carol Simpson at [see internal newsletter].



## Chalice Readers

On May 27th at 7 pm at Chalice we will discuss **Night at the Fiestas by Kirstin Valdez**. Set in northern New Mexico, an astonishing, beautifully rendered debut about growing up in a land shaped by love, loss and violence. With intensity and emotional precision, Kirstin Valdez Quade's unforgettable stories plunge us into the fierce, troubled hearts of characters defined by the desire to escape the past or else to plumb its depths. The deadbeat father of a pregnant teenager tries to transform his life by playing the role of Jesus in a bloody penitential Passion. A young man discovers that his estranged father and a boa constrictor have been squatting in his grandmother's empty house. A lonely retiree new to Santa Fe becomes obsessed with her housekeeper. One girl attempts to uncover the mystery of her cousin's violent past, while another young woman finds herself at an impasse when she is asked to hear her priest's confession. You've got questions? Email them to John Drewe at [see internal newsletter].

## Readers' Theater

Because of schedule conflicts, our May meeting will instead be held on Monday, June 6th (that's not a typo!) at 6:45 p.m. in the common room. **Newcomers and listeners are always welcome at our gatherings.** At the June 6th gathering we'll be reading aloud the classic drama *The Lion in Winter*, by James Goldman. This 1966 play depicts the personal and political conflicts of Henry II of England, his wife Eleanor of Aquitaine, their children and their guests during Christmas 1183. The story concerns the gamesmanship between Henry, Eleanor, their three surviving sons Richard, Geoffrey, and John, and their Christmas Court guest the King of France, Philip II Augustus, who was the son of Eleanor's ex-husband, Louis VII of France (by his third wife, Adelaide). Please contact Deb Coon [see internal newsletter] in advance, so that we'll know to expect you.





# Chalice UU Congregation \*\* May 2016 \*\* Services, Meetings, Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9 & 11 am Worship Service: Rev. Sharon Wylie "Adoration Sunday" Multigenerational Service 10:30 am Spirit of Chalice 12:15 pm Seminar on Islam 3:30 pm Zen Meditation	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9 am SAS Team Mtg 7 pm Yoga	<b>4</b> 9 am Cracker Barrel 6:45 pm Newcomer Small Group 7 pm Bruno Groening Circle	<b>5</b> 8:30 am Zen Meditation 10:30 am Women Study 11 am Coord Team 6:30 pm Handchimes 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10 am Music Service Dress Rehearsal
<b>8 - Mothers Day</b> <b>9 &amp; 11 am Music Service:</b> "Songs My Mother Taught Me" 9 am Children's RE 10:30 am Spirit of Chalice 12:15 pm Newcomer Welcome Lunch 3:30 pm Zen Meditation	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 2 pm Caregiver Support Circle 7 pm Yoga 7 pm Board of Trustees	<b>11</b> 9 am Cracker Barrel 6:30 pm Family Ministries Team 7 pm Chalice Men's Support Group	<b>12</b> 8:30 am Zen Meditation 10:30 am Women Study 6:30 pm Handchimes 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	<b>13</b> 12 pm Calix Group	<b>14</b>
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