



Susan Spoto President

The Religious Education program has kicked-off to an excellent start!

Our Chalice children are extraordinarily bright, inquisitive, and enjoy learning. It is very satisfying personally working with the students on UU principles and the impact of these principles on our wider world. One intriguing new feature within our classrooms is the Feelings Board, which shows an image of each of the five emotion characters from the movie "Inside Out". Rev. Sharon Wylie introduced these same characters to the congregation last month during the multi-generational service: Joy, Sadness, Anger, Disgust, and Fear. As a student enters and is welcomed into the classroom, each has an opportunity to check-in, sharing how they are feeling at that moment. The students' checking-in process is simplified using the Feelings Board; they hang their name tag under the character that symbolizes their current emotion.

A wonderful thing happens with this Feelings Board chart system--the student is free to change what they are feeling during the class. One student recently changed his emotion, from Fear to Joy (it was the first day of class), and felt empowered to also change the placement of his name tag on the Feelings Chart. Validation of emotions creates a powerful learning environment for our Chalice RE students.

Volunteers for this RE Program are essential and our Director of Family Ministries, Kathleen Swift, has provided us with the information and tools to succeed. If you are interested in helping with any of the class levels, please contact Kathleen. You can choose your amount of time, and which level of class you volunteer with. I can attest to the fact that I, as a volunteer, feel joy at being able to work with the students, learning something new every time I do. Our future is in these wonderful, engaged children and I ask that you consider volunteering within the Chalice RE Program.



Sunday Services

at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

October 4 **Rev. Sharon Wylie** "Savor the Delicious"

The choices of what to eat and where to get it have become enormously complicated as most of us have become distanced from the source of our food. Today we consider how food can be simple when our choices are so complex. This is the second in a 10-part sermon series on voluntary simplicity.

October 11 **Rev. Sharon Wylie** "Love the Soft Animal of Your Body"

As Mental Health Awareness Week comes to a close, we consider how our culture contributes to eating disorders. When does trying to maintain a healthy weight become a mental illness?

October 18 **Elizabeth Bukey** "Wrestling With Tradition"

What is our faith tradition's relationship with the Bible anyway? It's complicated. Elizabeth takes us through her own journey with the sacred text(s) that inspire so much passion, and helps us explore the ways religious liberals can find wisdom in the Bible without having to swallow it whole.

October 25 **Elizabeth Bukey** "The Borderlands"

We live in a border region, shaped by the way the US and Mexico touch less than fifty miles from our church. This morning, we explore the pain and the power of borders as well as the literal and metaphorical borderlands that shape our experience.

November 1 **Rev. Sharon Wylie** "We Call Our Beloved Dead" Multigenerational Service

Whether you call it Samhain, Día de los Muertos, or All Hallows' Eve: this is the season to remember and honor our ancestors and beloved dead. You are invited to bring photos of your deceased loved ones (pets too!) to add to our communal altar as we gather in memory and celebration of those who have gone before us.

NOTE: Daylight savings time ends November 1.





September Board of Trustees Highlights

- The CPR/AED First Aid Training class will be held on Saturday, October 17, beginning at 9:00 am.
- An informational congregational meeting regarding the annexation update will be held on September 27.
- Our Annual Meeting will be held June 12, 2016.
- The Board Retreat will be held Saturday, June 18, 2016.
- Treasurer Ann Cunningham reported that we brought in more than we spent this month. Rev. Sharon noted that we will exceed the allowance on Leadership Development this year due to LREDA training for the new DFM. At the time that number was chosen we hadn't hired a new DFM.
- Rev. Sharon will be at the PSWD UUMA retreat from September 28-30 in Rancho Palos Verdes and on study leave October 12-26.
- Rev. Sharon kicked off our year-long Spirit Study program. Interest and enthusiasm is high. Twenty people have joined the Facebook study group so far.
- We scheduled five potluck dinners for the coming year, all on Wednesday nights. These are on the Chalice calendar.
- Our Director of Congregational Life, Elizabeth, will be on vacation October 1-13.
- The Pathways Team reports that Connection Cards are proving immediately successful, allowing congregants at all levels of involvement at Chalice to communicate directly with staff about interests and desired information and activities. They have been surprised (and pleased) by the number of people expressing interest in membership and pledging, as well as in service & justice projects.
- Director of Family Ministries, Kathleen, reports the new children's RE year starts Sunday, September 13.
- Family Ministries also reports that Chalice youth (teens) are invited to meet with youth from Palomar at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 20.
- The Board drafted the following Board Vision Statement: "Leading, supporting, and responding to a flourishing congregation."

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September Coordinating Team Highlights

The Coordinating Team coordinates, integrates, and advocates the methods for accomplishing the Congregation's goals in accordance with the Board's Policies. The Coordinating Team is composed of lay members Delynn Kelly and Callie Leef, and staff members Brittany Keegan and Rev. Sharon Wylie.

- § We are now able to accept donations online through our website.
- § Staff members Sharon, Elizabeth and Brittany are members of a newly formed Communications Task Force to create guidelines and oversee our main communications methods: weekly e-nuus, monthly newsletter, website, and Facebook.
- § Our financial compilation (like an audit, but not) is done.
- § We have scheduled a CPR/AED training for October 17.
- § Barbe Harrison has permission to offer Christmas baskets "Chalice Chances" on Sundays November 15 and 22.
- § CT has finalized the fee schedule for building use policy.



Minister's Message

Beloved community,

An edited excerpt from the August 2 sermon "Do We Tolerate Intolerance?"



If Unitarian Universalists are going to be banner carriers for the idea that there is more than one "pathway to enlightenment," then we need to begin *really* practicing that in our congregations.

Theological diversity needs to be okay here, in our chapel on Sunday mornings, not just out and about in the world.

It needs to be okay for us to sometimes pray together, even though some of us in the room might not be praying or interested in prayer.

It needs to be okay for people here at Chalice to say they believe in God.

It needs to be okay for people here at Chalice to say they believe Jesus was the son of God.

And it needs to be okay for people here at Chalice to say they don't believe in God.

If we're going to be banner carriers for theological diversity out in the world, then we need to be banner carriers for theological diversity here in this religious community too.

We haven't always managed it. In my three years here, I've heard that those of you who identify as Christian feel unwelcome here at times, that those of you who believe in God feel unwelcome here at times, and that those of you who don't believe in God feel unwelcome here at times. Those of you here who have never felt unwelcome here because of your theological beliefs have perhaps not been comfortable talking about what you believe.

The theological diversity we have in in our congregation is a challenge for most of us, at some time or another. Whatever your theological beliefs—you believe there's a god, you don't believe there's a god, or you just don't know what to believe—whatever those beliefs are, you're in the minority here. There is no majority of belief. We don't all believe the same things.

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And we come here yearning—deeply yearning—to feel like we belong, but the moment will always come—if you are here for any substantive amount of time—the moment will always come when you are reminded that your beliefs put you in the minority here, and your sense of belonging will suddenly feel fragile. Like standing on shifting sand, you will wonder, "Is this still a good place for me?"

I think that moment of wondering "Is this still a good place for me?" is a quintessential Unitarian Universalist experience. To be UU is to feel like you don't fit in, even at the congregation where you do, actually, fit in. This is just who we are. Our theological diversity is demanding.

Bright blessings, Sharon



Planning Your Memorial

Workshop with Rev. Sharon
Sunday, November 1
12:30-1:30 p.m.



Rev. Sharon will be out of the office on study leave from Monday, October 12 through Monday, October 26, 2015. If you need pastoral care during this time, please contact our Director of Congregational Life, Elizabeth Bukey - DCL.ChaliceUU@gmail.com or phone (206) 499-3673. Thank you.



Music



Sunday Worship Music October Highlights

- Oct. 4:** John Schulz will be the worship musician.
- Oct. 11:** The Chancel Choir will sing an arrangement of the Southern Folk Song "The Lone, Wild Bird." Also, a special women's ensemble will sing a "Beautiful" medley of songs by Carole King and Christina Aguilera.
- Oct. 18:** The Chancel Choir will sing "There Is A Time" by Craig Courtney with words based on Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 from the Christian Bible.
- Oct. 25:** John Schulz will be the worship musician.

Calendar of Upcoming Music Department Events

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| <i>Tweet!</i> Performances - | Oct. 3 & 4 @ 2:00 pm |
| Interfaith Thanksgiving Service @ LDS Poway | Nov. 18 @ 7:00 pm |
| Winter Music Services "Christmas At the Movies!" | Dec. 13 @ 9 & 11 am |

A note from Deb Coon to thank volunteers for *Tweet!*

A huge THANK YOU to all those of you who showed up to help yesterday — it was wonderful and we got so much done!!

The kids and Lauren have been working on the songs, lines, and choreography and the kids are really getting it down. They were bursting with excitement yesterday!! Two dress rehearsals to go this week, and then the show!

Tweet!

On **October 3rd & 4th @ 2:00 pm**, Chalice will present performances of the musical ***Tweet!***, directed by our very own **Lauren Schulz!** All of the onstage roles as well as most of the behind-the-scenes roles are being performed by our wonderful young people! *Tweet!*, written by Andy Beck and Laura Groves, tells the story of five little birds who ponder what life is like "out there" beyond their nest, as several feathered friends plus a troupe of Squirrel Scouts stop by to offer conflicting words (and songs) of advice. The performances will be free of charge and open to the public. Come and support the children and bring a friend!



Spotlight on *Tweet!* Kids (continued on next page)

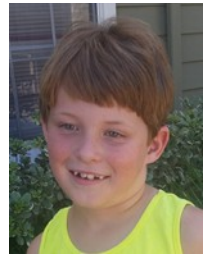
Teddy, Age 7

I am doing *Tweet!* because my Mom said I have to and I said "OK." I am playing the part of Marty, one of the little birds. Marty and I are both scared of haunted houses. The dances are definitely what I like best about doing *Tweet!* My favorite dance is "The World is Cuckoo."

I like coming to Chalice because most of my friends are here. I like to run around and chase them. One of my earliest memories of Chalice is when I went camping at Agua Caliente and there was a Vinegar bug. My Dad told me if it bites you, you taste vinegar for a week. One of my first memories of anything is playing with my friend Gabriel at my apartment. He moved a year ago and I miss him.

What music means in my life: Happy music makes me happy.

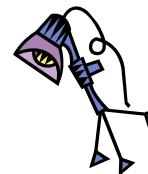
One thing the congregation should know about me: I am good at dancing.



Please see next page for more actor bios

Spotlight on more *Tweet!* Kids

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Hazel, Age 10

I am participating in *Tweet!* because all the other kids were doing it and it looked like fun. I am playing the parts of Clem Cuckoo, a hummingbird and a squirrel. I am like Clem because we are both cuckoo. I am like a hummingbird because we are both energetic, but I am not really scared like the hummingbirds in *Tweet!* My favorite part of being in *Tweet!* is doing the dances. People should come see *Tweet!* because it will be fun and energetic and the kids are running it.



I like coming to Chalice for the services and religious education classes. They are really fun. I remember when I first came to Chalice all the kids were nice to me, especially Leah. My first memory of anything is when we had a rat and it was walking around in a ball and then it pooped. Rat poop smells really bad.

What music means in my life: Music means projecting your voice. I also love singing in a choir.

One thing the congregation should know about me: I like unicorns!

Emma, Age 9

I decided to participate in *Tweet!* because I like acting. My character is Dorie the Dove. Dorie and I are both calm and kind, but I am more active and I like to play more than Dorie would. My favorite part of doing *Tweet!* is the dancing. I really like the moves in the dances. I think people should come see *Tweet!* because it is all kids!



What I like best about coming to Chalice are the friends and the kids. I like playing with them. My first memory of Chalice is when the two yurts were there. I was very shy one day and I didn't want to go in. But I went in anyway and it was fun. My first memory of anything was when I clawed my friend in her eye. We were just messing around. I remember that because I hardly ever see her anymore.

What music means in my life: I like music because you can dance to it. I like the way music feels.

One thing the congregation should know about me: I like chapter books.

Antonio, Age 12

I decided to participate in *Tweet!* because I wanted to have the experience and I have never done *Cabaret*. I am playing the part of Cooper, one of the awesome little birds and Wendell Woodpecker, boss rapper. I am like Wendell because we are both boss and we both have a really awesome attitude. The best thing about doing *Tweet!* is that I get to say snappy comebacks. People should come to see *Tweet!* because I am in it and I am awesome!



What I like best about coming to Chalice are the friends, the fun and the popcorn! My first memory of Chalice is my mom chasing me through the cactus garden. I remember getting poked in the finger by a cactus.

What music means in my life: Awesome sounds and awesome music. I like upbeat music.

One thing the congregation should know about me: I am doing a pottery sale with my mom and I want everyone to know to come to the Chalice Arts and Crafts Fair.

Elizabeth, Age 10

I decided to do *Tweet!* because I love acting and we aren't going to have *Cabaret* this year, so I wanted acting experience. My characters are Squiggy the Squirrel, Emerson Eagle and different group roles. I like to be prepared like Squiggy and I like to have freedom and go really fast like Emerson Eagle. I like doing *Tweet!* because I like to act. People should come see *Tweet!* because it will be funny and there will be snacks, so they will really enjoy themselves.



My favorite thing about coming to Chalice is being with my friends and the Chalice community. My first memory of Chalice is of standing outside the yurts. One of my earliest memories of anything is my 3rd birthday party at the Wild Animal Park.

What music means in my life: Music is a big part of my life because everyone in my family plays music.

One thing the congregation should know about me: I like pigs and sloths, and green is my favorite color.



Family Ministry

Responding to Challenging Religious Questions from your Children

"Is there a God?"
"Is reincarnation real?"
"What happens when you die?"

These questions can be tough for a conscientious UU parent, particularly if you are agnostic or atheist, because so many of us want to be examples of having an open mind. My standard answer used to be, "If you believe it, then it is true for you." However, this is not helpful for young children, as they are not developmentally ready to develop their own personal faith, and certainly not ready to follow a different path than their parents.

Our UU tradition has evolved into a rather complex set of possibilities regarding faith. Collectively, we hold no particular religious belief over others; instead, we are encouraged as individuals to develop our own personal faith. We honor the idea of questioning, including spiritual and religious-based questions. While many standard religious traditions discourage children from asking the "big questions", our UU tradition encourages it. We support the "free and responsible search for truth and meaning." This can be a challenge to adults who have experienced a personal loss of faith or belief.

This personal loss of faith, often, stems from a childhood filled with the negative aspects of religion; i.e., the devil, Hell, and the evils of sin. Those of us who broke free from these damaging rigid and authoritarian creeds are often at a loss when our kids are exploring their own budding sense of faith. The best way we can help them is to allow them to question, to search, and to explore their emerging spiritual beliefs. As Rabbi Sandy Sasso comments, "Our challenge—and our opportunity—is to give our children language and tools designed to encourage the life of the spirit and to prepare them to deal with theological ideas" (Sophia Lyons Fahs Lecture, 2009).

If I could raise my three sons over again, I would do things a little differently. First, I would attend a UU church with them in order to expose them to different ways of thinking and a variety of belief systems. When asked the tough questions, I might answer, "I don't really know; let's do some research and talk about it." I am grateful that my oldest son encourages my grandson, Koji, to attend Chalice with us. If (when) Koji asks some of those challenging questions, I hope I can be more helpful this time around! Thank you, Chalice, for being a part of a faith community for Koji and his peers.

Kathleen Swift

Director of Family Life
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Arts and Crafts Fair Saturday, November 21 9 AM to 4 PM

Artists and Crafters of all Ages Wanted!!!

On Saturday, November 21st from 9 AM to 4 PM, Chalice will be hosting an Arts and Crafts Fair! This is your chance to earn some money and donate to Chalice at the same time! We are looking for all types of arts and crafts -- Fiber Art, Pottery, Jewelry, Homemade Cards, Photography, Needlework, Paintings, Baked Goods, and much more. Lena Wellman is the contact person, and she will be available between services so you can reserve a table or ask questions. Or, you can contact her @ *[edited out for public]* if you are interested in selling your work. Please hurry, the deadline for submitting an application is Oct 11th!

Cracker Barrel Marie Callender's in Escondido Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am

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. New friends are welcome. Contact Marty Schwartz at *[edited out for public]*

This is a place where you can find people to be honest with, to safely discuss the issues of our lives and the world. This is a men's discussion group which is open to all men of Chalice. If you are looking to meet life long friends with a sense of humor, give Cracker Barrel a try.

Welcoming Congregation

We are pleased to be designated a Welcoming Congregation by the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, and as such we honor and value the racial, cultural, economic, religious, physical ability, sexual orientation and gender diversity of our members and visitors, young and old.



Congregational Life



We live in a time of drought. This drought is literal: our reservoirs are drying up and our landscape is drying out. The drought is also metaphorical: we live in a time of spiritual and moral drought: of oppression, of disconnection, of

alienation. This "drought" is alive and well in North County, particularly in Escondido. This is what we felt beating at us last July, when the city council meeting on opening a shelter for migrant families became a crucible of fear and division.

My hope is that Chalice can be a source of "water" in our dry and thirsty city. We sing every week about drinking from the well: a well of justice, joy, and a love that we're all a part of. I see our justice work as a broadening of our well: understanding that our congregation is a part of our community, and our community is part of our congregation. It's a way we "open the doors to the world outside."

One way we can do this is by building relationships with the North County Immigration Task Force. I've been attending these meetings this year, and I invite you to join me if you are available on Tuesday evenings. The coalition is a mix of grassroots activists and organizational representatives. At my first meeting, I was the only one in a group of twenty who was both white/Anglo and representing a predominately white/Anglo organization. In our highly polarized and anti-immigrant community, bringing together people who are Latino/a, white, undocumented, citizens, residents, lawyers, house-cleaners, ministers, and workers in a bilingual meeting for organizing is a radical act. Our work happens both explicitly, in the events we plan, and implicitly, in our community-building.

One concrete thing you can do is help with get-out-the-vote efforts. In the coming year, we will be partnering with North County Immigration Task Force in a non-partisan effort to register and turn out Latino/a voters in Escondido. Last month, Chalice member Dennis Brown and I knocked on doors to practice registering voters, and there will be more efforts like this open to you all in the months to come.

Why voter registration? Escondido is 49% Latino, but Latino communities have historically held little political power in this city. One reason may be that Latinos make up only 26 percent of Escondido residents who are citizens and old enough to vote, according to the UT. The large population of undocumented immigrants has felt targeted

Social Justice

October Charity Offering

Our offering on October 11 will go to benefit Mental Health Systems (MHS). Our offering this Sunday benefits MHS' Community Assessment Team (CAT). According to their website, CAT "is a voluntary program that provides services for the entire family. It offers assessment, as well as providing strength-based groups for youth, and parenting classes for parents."

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Pride by the Beach

October 10, Oceanside, CA

Come hang out with fellow UUs from around North County at this LGBTQ Pride festival. Volunteer to staff our booth so we can spread the word about our welcoming congregations. The event is run by the North County LGBTQ Resource Center and funds their annual GSA (Gay/Straight Alliance) Awards. These awards go directly to North County Gay/Straight Alliance clubs in the middle schools and high schools. Sign up to volunteer here:

<http://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/ptewr>

Volunteer at San Diego Food Bank

October 31st (Saturday), 12:30-2:30pm

9850 Distribution Ave, San Diego, CA 92121

The San Diego Food Bank feeds, on average, 320,000 people per month. Come help! We will most likely be inspecting, sorting, boxing, and labeling food donations. RSVP to Elizabeth

(DCL.ChaliceUU@gmail.com) for more information.

Serve Thanksgiving Meals at Interfaith Community Services November 25 and/or 26

On the day before and day of Thanksgiving, our long-time partner Interfaith Community Services serves meals at their Escondido headquarters to individuals experiencing homelessness. We will send two teams from Chalice: One group on Wednesday from 12:30-2:30 and one on Thursday from 12:30-2:30. Stay tuned for details!

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Elizabeth Bukey's column

by policies like DUI checkpoints, document checks, and a 2006 ordinance that banned renting to undocumented immigrants. That last ordinance was overturned, but there is still a lot to do to make Escondido less hostile to its undocumented and/or Latino/a residents. Building a base of Latino/a and pro-immigrant voters is a step toward that goal.

Please also join us for a **seminar on immigration after worship on Sunday, October 25**. Our immigrant rights group is hard at work planning a basic orientation to immigration system. Bring your questions so we can plan future events that address what YOU want to know.

We have the power to change the landscape of North County, by bringing our spiritually-grounded, compassionate selves into healthy relationships with the communities most affected by immigration and economic policies. Let's be water in a dry and thirsty world.

*With gratitude,
Elizabeth*

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Elizabeth Bukey and Dennis Brown with two other immigrant rights activists, after registering voters in Escondido

Palomar Unitarian Universalist Humanist Group

Wednesday October 21, 2015 7-8:30 pm
At Chalice Unitarian Universalist Congregation
All are welcome

Beginning in May and ending in October:

The Humanist Group at Palomar UU Fellowship and humanists from Chalice UU Congregation are showing the six episode series ***The African Americans, Many Rivers to Cross***, with Henry Louis Gates Jr., originally shown on PBS beginning in October 2013. Showings alternate between the Palomar location and the Chalice location.

Episode 6, "A More Perfect Union" (1968-2013), to be shown **at Chalice UU October 21**, the third Wednesday, looks at the aftermath of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the rise of the Black Panthers and Black Power movement. The decline of cities that African Americans had settled in since the Great Migration, the growth of a black middle class, the vicious beating of Rodney King in Los Angeles and the ascent of Barack Obama from Illinois senator to the presidency of the United States are all addressed in the final episode of *The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross*.

Please join us in viewing this final episode in the series, which brings us to 2013. You need not identify yourself as a Humanist to attend Humanist Group meetings. For carpooling information please contact [edited out for public]. For the Chalice UU location, see www.chaliceuucongregation.org.

The normal Palomar Humanist Group schedule (every second Wednesday) resumes with a Veterans Day program on November 11, 2015.

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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 [edited out for public]



Chalice Dine-Out

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month. The Dine Out Group will be going to Intertwined located at 113 E. Grand Ave. Escondido on October 28th at 6:00 p.m. Their menu can be found at intertwined.escondido.com. Please RSVP to either myself or Gracie Hinman before October 26th. Singles and couples, y'all come at 6 pm for conversation, catching up, getting acquainted. Please reserve by Oct 22 with Gracie Hinman, *[edited out for public]* or Patty Inman, *[edited out for public]*.



This is an open group that enjoys breaking bread together.

Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch

The Ladies will be taking a road trip this month to Creekside Grille at the Wilson Creek Winery in Temecula. We will need a head count by October 20th so we can arrange for carpooling on October 23rd. Our meeting place will be the Von's Shopping Center off El Norte Pkwy. Go north on I15 to El Norte Pkwy. and turn left into the right hand lane. The center is on the right side of the street. We will meet up near the Wendy's.

Come join us but please RSVP by October 17 for reservations to Carol Simpson at *[edited out for public]*

We welcome newcomers!

Fiber Artists

The Fiber Arts Group (and My Passion) meets October 21, the 3rd Wednesday at 1 PM. in the Common Room at Chalice, and 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 *[edited out for public]* with any questions.

Chalice Groups

Women's Book Discussion

On Tuesday Oct. 20 at 7:15 pm the Chalice Women's Book Group will meet in the Common Room to discuss David Ebershoff's *The 19th Wife*. Sweeping and lyrical, spellbinding and unforgettable, it combines epic historical fiction with a modern murder mystery to create a brilliant novel of literary suspense. It is 1875, and Ann Eliza Young has recently separated from her powerful husband, Brigham Young, prophet and leader of the Mormon Church. Expelled and an outcast, Ann Eliza embarks on a crusade to end polygamy in the United States. This is a tale of murder involving a polygamist family in present day Utah. Jordan Scott, a young man who was thrown out of his fundamentalist sect years earlier, must reenter the world that cast him aside in order to discover the truth behind his father's death. And as Ann Eliza's narrative intertwines with that of Jordan's search, readers are pulled deeper into the mysteries of love and faith. Rita Hill will facilitate the discussion.

November's book: "The Book Thief " by Markus Zusak

Facilitator: Natalie Milana

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.

Readers' Theater Group

Our October meeting will be held on Monday, October 26th at 6:45 p.m. in the common room. As a Halloween treat we will be reading aloud the comedy, *Blithe Spirit*, by Noel Coward. The plot: a socialite and novelist invites an eccentric medium and clairvoyant to his house to conduct a séance., hoping to gather material for his next book. The scheme backfires when he is haunted by the ghost of his annoying and temperamental first wife.

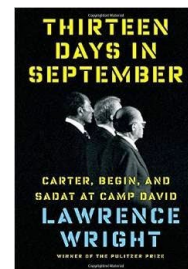
Newcomers and listeners are very welcome at our gatherings. Please contact Deb Coon, *[edited out for public]* in advance, so that we'll know to expect you.

Chalice Readers

On October 23rd at 7:00 PM at Chalice we will discuss **THIRTEEN DAYS IN SEPTEMBER: Carter, Begin, and Sadat at Camp David** By Lawrence Wright In 1978, over 13 days at Camp David, Anwar Sadat, Menachem Begin and Jimmy Carter hammered out a peace agreement between Israel and Egypt that remains the most profound diplomatic achievement to emerge from the Mideast conflict. In a fascinating account of the talks, Wright combines history, politics and, most of all, a gripping drama of three clashing personalities into a tale of constant plot twists and dark humor. Surprisingly, reading this account made me feel a little more hopeful about the prospects for peace between Israelis and Palestinians, the great unfinished business of the Camp David accords, even though the conventional wisdom in light of Prime Minister Netanyahu's recent re-election is that resolution of the issues in the territories is now a long ways off.

The reasons for hope lie in recollecting that if anything, Menachem Begin was an even more belligerent character with Begin reluctant to concede on any issues. This book reminds us, as Carter battles cancer, of his visionary idealism and doggedness that represented an act of surpassing political courage.

You've got questions? Email them to John Drewe at *[edited out for public]*





Chalice UU Congregation ** October 2015 ** Services, Meetings, Events

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<p>The Chalice Calendar is updated frequently. For the most accurate information, please go on-line to ChaliceUUCongregation.org, under the "Stay In Touch" tab there is a drop down menu with a button for the Calendar. Anyone can access that calendar, you do not need to be a member.</p>						
<p>4 - Social Justice Sunday 9 & 11 am Worship Service: Rev. Sharon Wylie "Savor the Delicious" 9 am Children's RE 2pm Tweet! Performance 3:30 pm Zen Meditation</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 7 pm Yoga</p>	<p>7 9 am Cracker Barrel 10:30 am Women's Meditation & Study grp</p>	<p>8 8 am Zen Meditation 10 am Coord Team 6:15 pm Handchime Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>9 12 pm Calix Group</p>	<p>10 9:30 am Council of Chairs</p>
<p>11 9 & 11 am Worship Service: Rev. Sharon Wylie "Love the Soft Animal of Your Body" 9 am Children's RE 1:30 pm Auction Event 3:30 pm Zen Meditation</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 2 pm Caregiver Support Circle 7 pm Yoga 7 pm Board of Trustees</p>	<p>14 9 am Cracker Barrel 10:30 am Women's Meditation & Study group 6 pm Family Ministries Tm 7 pm Chalice Men's Support</p>	<p>15 8 am Zen Meditation 6:15 pm Handchime Ensemble 7 pm Lay Chaplains Team 7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 9 am CPRIAED Class 6 pm Circle Suppers</p>
<p>18 9 & 11 am Worship Service: Elizabeth Bukey "Wrestling with Tradition" 9 am Children's RE 12:15 pm Newcomer Orientation 1 pm Music Committee Meeting 2:30 pm Mexican Train Dominos 3:30 pm Zen Meditation</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 7 pm Yoga 7:15 pm Women's Book Club</p>	<p>21 9 am Cracker Barrel 10:30 am Women's Study 1pm Fiber Arts 7 pm The African Americans: many rivers to cross. Black Lives Matter</p>	<p>22 8 am Zen Meditation 6:15 pm Handchime Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>23 7 pm Chalice Readers</p>	<p>24 2 pm Voice & Piano Recital 6 pm Newsletter Deadline</p>
<p>25 9 & 11 am Worship Service: Elizabeth Bukey "The Borderlands" 9 am Children's RE 12:15 pm Immigration Seminar 3:30 pm Zen Meditation</p>	<p>26 6:45 pm Reader's Theater</p>	<p>27 2 pm Caregiver Support Circle 7 pm Yoga</p>	<p>28 9 am Cracker Barrel 10:30 am Women's Study 6 pm Dine-Out Circle</p>	<p>29 8 am Zen Meditation 6:15 pm Handchime Ensemble 7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>30 12 pm Coord Team</p>	<p>31 Daylight Savings Time Ends on November 1</p> 