



## Chalice Construction Update

From Dean Goddette

The foundation for the new building has been poured! A big milestone! Soon the framing and the walls will appear! The schedule is on track for re-entry in mid-July. We're finally out of the rainy season.

We're currently on budget but we're expecting to fall into the red because of the rain delays causing a lot of drainage issues that we had to address to get the soil compaction we needed for the pad (the dirt under the building).

Also, we've hit a snag with the septic system. As we discovered the exact location of the tanks, we found that one tank was under the edge of the pad. To keep construction on the building moving, we moved the building 5 feet towards Miller.

There are some issues with the septic that we have to address which will add some costs to construction. But that work is now independent of the schedule. Our construction company, R&R, will be managing the work so that it will be completed in concert with everything else.

So, all in all, work is proceeding apace!



Please Note: Chalice Office is closed until May 9. Paula is on vacation.

## Sunday Service at 1:30 p.m.

**May 5**

**Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **"Adoration Sunday" All-Church Service**

Temple Adat Shalom at 1:30 p.m.

To adore is to love deeply and fully. This May Day is our annual celebration of the beauty and blessings of loving with our whole hearts. Our service today will also feature a new member ceremony.

Please email up to three photos from the past year of those you adore (human and animal) before May 3 to [revsharonwylie@gmail.com](mailto:revsharonwylie@gmail.com) for inclusion in our service.

**May 12**

**Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **"Protecting Chalice's Children"**

Temple Adat Shalom at 1:30 p.m.

We assume in religious community that everyone has joined with good intentions. But such assumptions often leave churches vulnerable to those who would take advantage of communal good will. Today we will revisit some of Chalice's history in trying to keep our children safe.

**May 19**

**Rev. Sharon Wylie**

### **"How Does It All End?" (UU Theologies #9)**

Temple Adat Shalom at 1:30 p.m.

Today we consider eschatology, the study of "end times." This is the ninth in a 10-part series on UU theologies, informed by the book *A House for Hope: The Promise of Progressive Religion for the Twenty-First Century* by Buehrens and Parker.

**May 26**

**Lay Led Service**

### **"The Road Less Traveled"**

Temple Adat Shalom at 1:30 p.m.

Several of our Chalice congregants share their personal stories on what it has been like to choose the road less traveled in life. Please join our worship associates for this lay led service.

Address for  
Temple Adat Shalom:  
15905 Pomerado Rd., Poway



## Music Ministry for May

May 19: The **Chancel Choir** will present "Invocation", by May Sarton, composed by UU Grace Lewis-McLaren.



**Stuart Holmes**  
Interim Choir Director

### Looking Ahead:

June 9: Spring Music Service at 1:30 pm at Temple Adat Shalom.  
Our Theme This Year is "Living With Courage".

## Celebrating UU Composers – Grace Lewis-McLaren!

In May we celebrate Grace Lewis-McLaren as our UU composer of the month. Grace is a graduate of Eastman School of Music where she studied with David Craighead. Following that she studied at Union Theological Seminary School of Sacred Music in New York where Vernon DeTar was her instructor. Grace has served in music leadership roles at many different UU churches, and has composed many pieces of sacred music, including some of our favorite hymns, including "Touch the Earth Reach the Sky" from our grey hymnal, Singing the Living Tradition. And here's a fun fact: Grace served as the Administrative Assistant at First Church San Diego for more than a dozen years! In her retirement, Grace enjoys playing the organ for anyone who will listen. On Sunday, May 19, the Chancel choir will present her beautiful choral composition, "Invocation".



## Social Justice

### Spread the Love and Spread the PB&J May 5 after service

Gather with Chalice friends in the kitchen at Temple Adat Shalom to make sandwiches for ICS to distribute to people experiencing homelessness. Chalice provides supplies, you put them together to make a lunch for someone who needs one.

### Chalice Trail Work Party

On Saturday, April 17 an eight-person Chalice team tackled the trails next to Lake Hodges on Saturday morning as part of a Social Justice activity. The San Dieguito River Park is one of our Social Justice recipients and they were grateful to have the help on the well-used trail.



Most everyone, whether on foot or bicycle, who passed us said thanks for our work. We had three sets of tools: Lena, Deb, and Mike doing the lopping of branches, Paul using the weed-whacker, and Susan, Chris and Bonnie raking up after all of the lopping and whacking. Victoria was the group photographer and cheerleader. We will plan another work party in the fall.







## Church Camp Hosted by Chalice and First UU San Diego, May 31-June 2



**Kathleen Swift**  
Director of Family Ministry



All Church Camp is an amazing weekend away from the regular routines, full of opportunities for connecting with each other and nature. This is **your** camp. Go for a swim, join or lead a hike, play games, make new friends, create arts and crafts, sing along, catch up with family and friends, enjoy some solitude, perform in the Variety Show. As always, there will be crafts, workshops, and special offerings for our younger campers.

Chalice Congregation and First UU Church of San Diego invite all members of our communities, of any age and family structures, to join together for All Church Camp 2019, in the San Bernardino Mountains, at Camp de Benneville Pines on May 31-June 2.

This year's theme is MomentUUm! Come share and explore how we are focusing our energies as individuals and as a community. Take a weekend to rest and recharge available among the Pines. Camp MomentUUm has something for everyone, from going with the flow to completely changing direction.



Registration forms are available from Victoria Cagle. You may return your completed registration form along with your check (payable to 1st UU Church with a notation of "Camp") to Victoria or by mail to Church Camp Registrar Lesleigh Helder, 9931 Corridor St., San Diego, CA 92131.

You may also register online at <http://www.firstuusandiego.org/all-church-camp> if paying with credit card (\$5 fee).

Should cost be a hurdle, please reach out to Kathleen Swift, as scholarships are available.



## **Chalice Board of Trustees Report April Meeting for May Newsletter**

The Chalice Board of Trustees met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7 P.M. The President's report and the Treasurer's report were reviewed and discussed. It was announced that Des Marsh and Donna Folberg are new members of Chalice. A report on the construction progress was presented, including the possible necessity of installing a new septic tank. It was reported that the Faithify fund raising campaign for the Casas de Luz project has been a huge success. The Board voted to delay the process of creating a new Mission Statement until after moving back into the Miller Avenue campus. The Board is still looking for additional delegates for the General Assembly in June. An update on the April Pledge Drive was presented. The Board voted not to support a Cluster Social Justice Coordinator next year.

**Congregational Meeting**  
**June 9, 2019**  
**Save the date.**

## **Circle Suppers**

Circle Suppers are held on the third Saturday evening of every month. This is a perfect time to sit down with a small group of our Chalice Community to deepen our personal relationships.

Here is how it works. About the first of each month, all interested individuals receive an open invitation to dinner. By the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month, all the yes responses are grouped into dinner groups. One person offers their home, and the rest are participating guests. The hostess/host prepares the main dish and the other group members provide some portion of the meal.

The groups gather around 6:00 pm for munchies and move on to dinner. What a lovely way to spend this Saturday Evening! To be a part of this program, contact Emily T [not in public version]

May 16 is our next Circle Supper.

## **Coordinating Team Report for April Board meeting**

- ◆ Sharon reported on pledge drive progress.
- ◆ Reviewed ideas for giving opportunities for congregants and people associated with Chalice in a wide diversity of ways.
- ◆ Discussed ideas for connection with people beyond Sunday service.
- ◆ Budget cycle preparation. Coord Team will do an extra meeting in April to discuss the budget. A reminder to groups to turn in budget requests will be sent.
- ◆ Planned topic for Council of Chairs meeting on April 13: How our small groups can advertise themselves outside the congregation and be welcoming to first time visitors.
- ◆ Approved starting a Chalice Facebook group for fellowship/events sharing. It will be a closed group with an Administrator.
- ◆ Planned CT retreat for specific purpose of visioning the renovated campus.

## **Join our Facebook group!**

Join the Facebook group called "Chalice UUC Social Group: Caring and Sharing (No Politics!)" for Chalice members and congregants who regularly attend or participate at Chalice.


The group is for fellowship among Chalice congregants. It is particularly created to help congregants share about non-Chalice social and arts events that may be of communal interest.

Political news and debates are not allowed; information about local marches and protests is permitted if the poster is attending and looking for others to join in.

You can find the group at  
[www.facebook.com/groups/chalicesocial](https://www.facebook.com/groups/chalicesocial)



## Groups & Activities - You are welcome here!

What	When, Where	Who & Why
Chair Yoga	Tuesdays, 10 am At Temple Adat Shalom	Patty Carlisle leads this weekly yoga class to share the healing aspects of yoga. Individuals exercise and strengthen their bodies. In this class, you will be surrounded by positive, caring people. Small donations accepted, but not required. Contact: Patty C [not in public version]
Yoga	Tuesdays, 7 pm Sunset Chiropractic Office at 1900 Sunset Dr., Escondido	Kathy Zapata-Bergamini, Alec Bergamini, or Chris O'Connor lead the weekly class. Every class is different. Newcomers are welcome. \$5 donation suggested. Contact: Kathy Z [not in public version]
Cracker Barrel 	Wednesdays, 9 am for breakfast, 9:30 for discussion at Marie Callender's in Escondido.	Liberal thinkers & friendly, supportive men. New friends are welcome. Open to all men of Chalice to meet life-long friends with a sense of humor. Contact: Marty S [not in public version]
Activist Letter Writers	First & third Wednesdays, 11 am at member homes during construction.	Join us for lively discussion and post card writing, with action as an outcome. New activists welcome. Contact: Kaye C [not in public version]
Zen Meditation	Thursdays, 8:30 am and Sundays, 11 am Sunset Wellness Center at 1900 Sunset Dr., Escondido	Chalice Friend Dr. Al Zolnyas offers instruction and Meditation practice. This group welcomes both seasoned meditators and those new to the practice. Website: freewayzen.org
Women's Meditation & Study	Thursdays, 10:30 am Sunset Wellness Center at 1900 Sunset Dr., Escondido	Women's Buddhist Meditation. Mutual support and the practical implementation of Buddhism in order to enrich our daily lives. Contact: Carol B [not in public version]

Board Games	Second Wednesday 1 pm Carol B's home during construction	A lively group meets to play games: Mexican dominoes, Rummikub, or any fun game. Newcomers happily welcomed! Contact Carol B [not in public version]
Men's Support Group	Second Wednesday 6:30 pm Escondido location & a group hike	We get to know and support each other by sharing experiences, thoughts and feelings from our lives. If you are interested please contact Barry H [not in public version]. Barry can tell you more about the group, including the location.
Memoir Writing	Second Thursday 10 am at member homes	Alice Dodd leads this group in writing personal memoirs. Contact Alice D [not in public version] for location
Fiber Arts & Crafts	Third Wednesday 1:30 to 3:30 pm at member homes	We chat and work, primarily needle-crafts like knitting, or embroidery, but any portable crafts are welcome. Contact: Bonnie P [not in public version]
Prayer Circle	Third Wednesday 7 pm Chapel (if available)	Join Rev. Sharon for a Unitarian Universalist prayer circle. Please come prepared to request prayer and to offer prayer to others. All are welcome. Contact: RevSharonWylie@gmail.com





### ***Chalice Dine-Out - Third Monday, May 20 at 6 pm***

The Dine Out Group will meet at Carver's Steak House at 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive. Singles and couples are all welcome for conversation, catching up, and getting acquainted. This is an open group that enjoys breaking bread together. RSVP to Cindy C [not in public version] before May 17.



### ***Chalice Women's Book Group - Third Tuesday, May 21 at 7:15 pm***

May Book: **The Buccaneers** by Edith Wharton & Marion Mainwaring

Facilitator: Alice Dodd

Please come and join us for a stimulating and fun evening. Newcomers are welcome.

For meeting place or other questions, please contact: Victoria C [not in public version].

June Book: **As Bright As Heaven** by Susan Meissner

### ***Haven House Interfaith Community Dinner - Friday, May 10 at 6:10 pm (dates change each month)***

Each month, volunteers from Chalice cook and serve a meal to the people who are staying at ICS, a local shelter. There are coordinators for each month, and Julia & Marshall Fogel keep the mailing lists and facilitate our participation in this community service project. If you would like to participate, contact Marshall F at [not in public version]



### ***Ladies Out to Lunch - Third Friday - May 17 at 11:30 am***

The Ladies Out to Lunch group will meet at Marie Callender's Restaurant at 515 W. 13th St. Escondido, CA. Please RSVP to Carol S. [not in public version]



### ***Circle Suppers - Third Saturday, May 18 at 6 pm***

Single adults, couples, new and old Chalice folks, are welcome to join us. Circle Suppers are monthly dinners in a pot-luck format with usually eight people at a host's home. The number of dinners each month depends on how many people participate that month.

There is no obligation to host a dinner. 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 Emily T [not in public version]

### ***Readers' Theater - Fourth Monday, May 27 at 6:45 pm***

Our May gathering will be at Maureen and Fred L's house [not in public version]. We'll be reading aloud the drama, *My Name is Asher Lev*, by Aaron Posner, adapted from the novel by Chaim Potok. "This play follows the journey of a young Jewish painter torn between his Hassidic upbringing and his desperate need to fulfill his artistic promise. When his artistic genius threatens to destroy his relationship with his parents and community, young Asher realizes he must make a difficult choice between art and faith. This stirring adaptation of a modern classic presents a heartbreaking and triumphant vision of what it means to be an artist." Please join us — newcomers and listeners are always welcome at our gatherings! Please contact Deb C [not in public version] so we'll know to expect you.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>For the most accurate information, visit ChaliceUUCongregation.org; under the "News" tab, there is a Calendar that anyone can access. You do not need a member password.</b>			<b>1</b> 9:00 am Cracker Barrel 11:30 am Activist Writers	<b>2</b> 8:30 am Zen Meditation 10:30 am Women 's Study 3:00 pm Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Day of Prayer 6:30 pm Handchimes 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>3 - Office Closed</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Family Meetup at Felicita cancelled 11:00 am Zen Meditation with Al 1:30 pm Worship Service: "Adoration Sunday" All-Church Service Rev. Sharon Wylie 2:45 pm Make sandwiches for ICS	<b>6 - Office Closed</b> 10:00 am Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Coord Team 7:00 pm Yoga 7:00 pm Exec Board	<b>7 - Office Closed</b> 10:00 am Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Coord Team 7:00 pm Yoga 7:00 pm Exec Board	<b>8 - Office Closed</b> 9:00 am Cracker Barrel 1:00 pm Board Games 6:30 pm Men's Group 6:30 pm Family Ministries	<b>9</b> 8:30 am Zen Meditation 10:00 am Memoir Writers 10:30 am Women 's Study 6:30 pm Handchimes 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 6:10 pm Haven House	<b>11</b>
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### *Minister's Message for May*

The theme for our April 28 worship service was set months before: Why is there suffering? Why is there evil?

We could not have imagined that this service would fall the day after violence in our own community. The following is an excerpt from the sermon.

Was the shooter evil? Or did he DO something evil? Calling a person evil feels wrong to me, a violation of our first principle, to affirm that every person has inherent worth and dignity. One action, even a terrible action, does not erase someone's humanity and their potential for redemption.

What seems evil to me is the set of circumstances in the United States—and in the world—that is giving rise to more and more hate crimes, more and more violence, more and more anti-Semitism, more and more Islamophobia, more and more white supremacy.

But this brings us back to the question—Why is there evil? And the simple answer is that we humans are capable of harming each other in the worst ways. Perhaps we might understand evil to be an expression of everything that's wrong in our culture. People living in fear, in pain, hurting, desperate to feel important, desperate for life to feel meaningful. A culture with values that are distorted and misprioritized.

Rabbi Harold Kushner, in his book *Why Bad Things Happen to Good People*, invites us to look

beyond the question "Why did it happen?" and begin to ask the question "What do I do now that it has happened?"

At the core of our Unitarian Universalist faith is the understanding that humans have free will. We don't believe in a god that controls everything. Our actions matter. Our response to violence matters. Our response to evil matters. Our response to injustice matters.

We will show up for opportunities to demonstrate our friendship and love to our Jewish friends and neighbors.

We will learn more about the young man who was arrested yesterday, and we will be right to ask ourselves how have we contributed to a culture where such a young person would lash out so violently. What is broken, and how do we fix it?

Yesterday is a sign to us that we may gnash our teeth about national matters, but we have plenty of work to do here at home. They're not unrelated. But we can't wait for national elections to make the changes we need to make. Those of us who are white especially need to figure out what we can do to combat white supremacy.

It is part of life that some misfortune and loss will fall our way. It is part of being alive.

And although acceptance is a skill we need to develop for much of what life will throw our way, we can't let acceptance become our response to everything. Because much of what is wrong in our world can be fixed, and it's up to us to fix it.

Blessings and love,  
Sharon



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Thanks!

To schedule an appointment with Rev. Sharon:  
Online: <https://calendly.com/revsharonwylie/>  
Text or call: 619.871.9959  
Email: [revsharonwylie@gmail.com](mailto:revsharonwylie@gmail.com)





## *President's Message for May 2019 - Marshall Fogel*

### Days of Miracle and Wonder

These are the days of sport miracles. The Padres are winning (as I write this), Tiger Woods won an incredible Masters Tournament, and I scored my second hole-in-one at The Vineyard (the third hole, witnessed by my son-in-law Luc) on April 13.

For those of you who are non-golfers, a hole-in-one occurs once in every 12,500 rounds (for average golfers). Rare and wonderful. I got my first one last November at The Journey in Temecula. So, what are the odds of having two in a lifetime? Why did I get so lucky? Was it preparation and skill and experience or a positive attitude? Perhaps I had paid my dues statistically by playing so many rounds of golf. The truth is that I no longer cared. I had given up on the need and the expectation that I would ever achieve the average golfer's dream. For a few minutes after the hole out I did reach golf **Nirvana**, a state of liberation and freedom from suffering. Then I drove my cart to the fourth tee box. **Nirvana** was gone as quickly as it came as my rather average drive landed with a thud.



Marshall Fogel

I had become a golf Buddhist, a believer in the Four Noble Truths:

**Dukkha:** Suffering exists

**Samudaya:** There is a cause for suffering

**Nirodha:** There is an end to suffering

**Magga:** In order to end suffering, you must follow the eightfold path which includes discernment, virtue, and concentration

According to a concise summary of Buddhist Core Values by the UNHCR the Buddha (who lived in the 6<sup>th</sup> century BCE) was not a god and Buddhism does not entail any theistic world view. The law of karma (which every golfer has experienced) states "for every event that occurs, there will follow another event caused by the first, and this second event will be pleasant or unpleasant as its cause was skillful or unskillful."

I'm not a Buddhist, but like many of you I find comfort in many of its values promoting good thoughts and qualities, right mindfulness, meditation to achieve a higher level of consciousness, right conduct and speech, and truth. I have a small problem with the alcohol prohibition however.

What, you might ask, does all this have to do with Chalice? We are probably all feeling that the Phase One construction will never end and we "suffer" from homesickness, despite the generous hospitality of our wonderful hosts at Temple Adat Shalom. I suggest some **Magga** (and perhaps a glass of wine) to reach **Chalice Nirvana**, hopefully sometime in July!



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