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Pacific Unitarian Church  
A Unitarian Universalist Community  
*Committed to the Free and Responsible Search for Truth, Meaning and Service*

*The View*



September 11, 2014

Deadline: Each Wednesday at noon

Hi {FIRST\_NAME|PUCer},

*May the nourishment of the earth be yours,  
may the clarity of light be yours,  
may the fluency of the ocean be yours,  
may the protection of the ancestors be yours.*

excerpted from "Beannacht"  
by John O'Donohue

September's Monthly Theme:

**VISION**

**This Sunday**

September 14

10:30 AM Service

Holding Up Astonishing Bridges:  
A Dialog Sermon

Rev. John Morehouse

&

Kim Gosney, Director of  
Congregational Advancement

September 21

Building a New Way:

Casting a Vision for a New

## **We Believe In Social Justice**

It's this weekend. Rev. John is leading the prayer at the build on 9/13. Will you join him for a day of service? See flyer below for instructions as to how to RSVP.



## INTERFAITH INITIATIVE

### 9/11 INTERFAITH BUILD DAYS



In 2009, Congress designated *September 11th* as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles (Habitat LA) is inviting the diverse faith and spiritual community of greater Los Angeles to come together and build September 11-13. These *Interfaith Build* days are a way for all of us to pay tribute to the 9/11 victims, survivors, and those who rose up in service in response to the attacks.

"We live our faiths, not compromise them, by joining together to provide decent housing for all. And we do it for the sake of the world God created and loves."

- Jonathan Reckford,  
CEO, Habitat for Humanity International



**Join Us!**  
3303 Magnolia Avenue, Lynwood  
September 11 - 13, 2014  
8:00am - 3:30pm

#### You can help by:

- Praying for the Interfaith home, future homeowners and all who will help build it.
- Helping to raise \$50,000 to construct the home.
- Recruiting fellow congregants to help build.\*
- Educating your congregation about the need for affordable housing in Los Angeles and around the world.
- Checking out a video from last year's build!  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59WE4DNSLxs>



**RSVP:**  
Shauna Mason,  
Habitat LA Faith Relations Coordinator  
424-246-3652 or [smason@habitatla.org](mailto:smason@habitatla.org)  
*\*Must be 16 years or older to participate.*

*Building Hope, Lives and Communities*

8739 Artesia Boulevard, Bellflower, CA 90706 \* 310-323-4663 \* [www.habitatla.org](http://www.habitatla.org)

### This fall PUC's Social Justice Ministry Explores Food Justice

For so many of us our belief in Social Justice drew us to PUC. Come and participate in an activity, service project, or educational event. Most are great for families:

September 13

#### Seedling Planting at PUC's Permaculture Garden

This is a joint event with the garden angels. All ages welcome!

October 8

#### Cook and serve a meal for the after school program at Toberman House

All ages welcome. Meet at PUC at 4pm to caravan to Toberman. Contact Claire Moss if you want to help cook earlier in the day.

[cmoss84@gmail.com](mailto:cmoss84@gmail.com)

Casting a vision for a new  
Wednesday Night Program & What  
It Means for What We Are  
Becoming  
Krista Weber, Intern Minister

October's Monthly Theme:

## COVENANT

### The Week At a Glance

Thursday, September 11, 2014

10 AM Tai Chi, Hall

5:30 PM Jam Session, Hall

6:30 PM Men's Choir Practice,  
Hall

7:00 PM Choir Practice, Hall

7:00 Environmental Priorities  
Network - Library

Saturday, September 13, 2014

10:00 AM French Conversation  
Group - Voyagers Room

6:00 PM Game Night for All Ages  
- Classrooms 1 & 2

Sunday, September 14, 2014

8:30 AM Journey to Membership -  
Classroom 1

9:00 AM Joy and Sorrow Sharing  
Circle - Library

10 AM Childcare - Classroom 3

**10:30 AM Sunday Services -  
Hall**

11:30 AM Hospitality Lunch -  
Patio

12:00 Youth Choir Rehearsal - Hall

12:00 PM Green Sanctuary -  
Library

7:00 PM Great Books Discussion  
Group - Library

Monday, September 15, 2014

11:00 AM Reading and  
Responding Women's Group -  
Library

November 16

### **Fasting Workshop, 12pm at PUC**

We will be discussing the spiritual aspects of fasting, how to cope with hunger during a fast, and other topics. Led by Social Justice Ministry Chair, Naresh Deo.

December 18

### **One Voice LA**

Sort and package food baskets. All ages welcome. Carpooling to Santa Monica will be arranged. 7:30pm-11pm.

### **Public Forum: Overturn Citizens United**

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

Because the disastrous Citizens United Supreme Court decision poses serious environmental concerns, our Environmental Priorities Network is presenting a public forum on how to stop the massive influx of money into our political system. "Public Forum: Overturn Citizens United" will take place on at the Pacific Unitarian Church on 5621 Montemalaga Drive in Rancho Palos Verdes. Three outstanding speakers will address this important topic. They are Michael Tucker, a coordinator for Move to Amend, John Smith, a Southern California Common Cause organizer, and Alison Hartson, a California State Director of Wolf PAC.

From 9 to 10 AM, you are invited to enjoy light refreshments and drinks as you visit tables with information about local environmental groups. From 10 to 12 noon, speakers will discuss how best to restore finance limits and advance necessary environmental legislation. The South Coast Interfaith Council is cosponsoring this event. Admission is free, but contributions are welcome. For more information contact Lillian Light at [lklight@verizon.net](mailto:lklight@verizon.net) or at 310 - 545 1384.

### **Harbor Interfaith Shelter**

Holidays are coming. Once again we have people near us that need our support. The Pantry Manager at Harbor Interfaith Shelter (HIS) says that they have a source for out of date canned foods. This may be a good time to review & clean out food on your pantry shelves. We are collecting food weekly for the HIS Pantry. They never receive condiments like catchup & mustard, they seldom see cake mixes, jello, chocolate chips & fun holiday special foods. Keep an eye out for specialty priced foods like sugar, flour and cereal when you grocery shop. One for your house & one for the HIS Pantry. We collect food at the door of the Sanctuary every Sunday. Thank you for thinking of Harbor Interfaith Shelter.

If you have questions, please contact Betty Saunders.

**MAKING PUC WORK FOR YOU**

5 PM Kundalini Yoga - Hall

7 PM Trustees Meeting -  
Classroom 1

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

7 PM Ways and Means  
Committee - Library

Wednesday, September 16, 2014

10:00 AM Women's  
Empowerment Group - Library  
11:30 AM [Beginning Yoga](#) w/  
Debi - Hall

Thursday, September 17, 2014

10 AM Tai Chi [Beck] - Hall  
11:00 AM Senior Pow Wow to  
Know How - Library

Sunday's flowers brought to you by  
The Knipps Family

Please sign up for your turn to  
bring Sunday's Flowers on the  
Flower Calendar inside the door of  
the PUC Office.

Next Open Date: September 21

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Sunday, September 14th  
Hospitality

Special thanks to all of our  
volunteers!

Greeters:

Jean Tordella & TBD

Ushers:

Alana, Olga & Sylvia Garrigues

Welcome Table:

TBD

Top Chef:

Margo Meikle

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## No Coffee After This Sunday!!!

**Yes, it is possible.** The ordering and maintaining of the coffee supplies (coffee, sugar, creamer, etc.) was previously done by the office administrator. **We need to find a volunteer to take over this duty.** Any help in this area would be greatly appreciated. If we do not find a volunteer, then there may be some Sundays where we do not have coffee, creamer, sugar, etc. Please help us with a little bit of your time. Call Val Richards [424-772-1976](tel:424-772-1976)

## Joys and Sorrows in *The View*

Do you want column for Joys and Sorrows in our weekly newsletter? Among the candle-lighters on Sunday morning, those who would like to share their thoughts with the rest of us can take a card from the table at the Southeast door. Tell us in a few lines what you want to be included. Then drop the card in the box marked "Joys and Sorrows". Your message will appear in *The View* the following Thursday. We will all have an opportunity to empathize with your smiles or concerns. Any questions, call Marvel Burke at 310-372-0870.

## Feel Empowered and Confident

Come join women who like yourself are seeking a safe environment in which to be heard, understood and supported. Feel empowered and confident. Enhance your assertiveness skills. We meet the first and third Wednesday of the month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. If you have any questions contact Val Richards [424-772-1976](tel:424-772-1976) or E-mail [valrichards424@hotmail.com](mailto:valrichards424@hotmail.com). Hope to see you Wednesday in the Library.

**Your Little Rocks Task Force is working hard to find ways to bring incremental income to the church.**



## An Easy Way to Raise Money for PUC!

We will be selling gift cards for Whole Foods and Sprouts again on the patio after the service this Sunday. PUC is able to buy them at a discount and sell them at face value so this doesn't cost you anything!

We also will have information on how to sign up for Ralph's, Von's/Pavillion's and Bristol Farms' programs where a percentage of

### Recurring Events

Sundays

YRUU High School Group, weekly,  
10:30 AM, Library  
Books in Our Lives Covenant  
Group, 1st & 3rd, 7 PM, Library  
Green Sanctuary Group, 2nd,  
noon, Library

Mondays

[Kundalini Yoga w/ Aimee](#),

5 PM, Hall

Board of Trustees, 1st & 3rd,  
7 PM, Classroom 1

Wednesdays

[Beginning Yoga](#) w/ Debi

Robinson, weekly, 11:30 AM

Thursdays

Tai Chi (Beck), Thurs, 10 AM, Hall  
Seniors Pow Wow to Share How,

3rd, 11 AM, Library

PUC Choir Practice

[Environmental Priorities Network](#),

2nd, 7:30 PM, Library

Saturdays

French Conversation Group,  
2nd & 4th, 10 AM, Voyagers Room

Sundays

Green Sanctuary Group

2nd, Noon, Library



what you spend is automatically donated to PUC - again it doesn't cost you anything.

## **PUC RUMMAGE SALE**

Save your gently used household items (furniture, home decor items, dishes, glasses, jewelry, art, etc.) for the PUC RUMMAGE SALE Friday & Saturday, October 24 and October 25. This is a great opportunity to clean your house and garage before the year-end holidays! In the past, our Rummage Sale has made over \$2,000 for PUC.

Contact Linda Jenson for details.



### **Gentle Yoga Class for All Wednesdays, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Hall A Class designed for all levels, shapes, and ages.**

**We will focus on a gentle practice through  
movement:**

- To help unblock your flow of energy
- Increase your mental and physical flexibility while releasing stress and enhancing body awareness
- Poses and exercises to build strength, relieve pain and stress, and improve balance

Suggested Donation: \$12/class. Taught by Debi Robinson, RYT 200  
Contact Debi with any questions: [Debi@omhappy.com](mailto:Debi@omhappy.com)

## **RELIGION AND THE MEANING OF LIFE NEW DATES**

**3 WEDNESDAYS | OCT 1, 8, 15, 22  
CLASSROOM 1 | 12:30 - 1:30 PM**

**Instructor: John Morehouse**

**Fee: \$5 per session, \$15 for series**

Humans ascribe significance or purpose to many of our actions - and we often assume that other phenomena also have meaning. We will explore meaning making in our lives and postmodern America, where the need for meaning is as great as ever.



Sunday Service: 10:30 AM  
5621 Montemalaga Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

New office hours

Sunday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm*
Monday	closed
Tuesday	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday	12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Saturday	closed

\* office will be closed during the  
Sunday service from 10:30-11:30

[Click here for Directions](#)

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