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## Announcements

From the Family of Jim Grant

Dear Friends of First UU San Diego,

Along with his wife Betty, my brother James, and all of our family want to share our gratitude for the care and support you have shown us after our Dad, Jim Grant, passed away. Your lovely cards and notes and presence at the Celebration of Life in February mean so much to all of us. This congregation was central in his life and he was saddened when changes in his (and Mom's) health meant that he could no longer be present with you. Thank you for everything you are.

Peace,

*Martha Fuller, daughter*



## SPRING FORWARD-2024

SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR

### GA 2024 Coming Right Up — June 20-23

UUA General Assembly will be all virtual this year and Article II will be the hot topic for consideration. We are asking for members to fill 10 delegate slots for First UU. Read more in the [full version](#) of The Window.

## **Pacific Western Region UUA Regional Assembly**

It's time to get together! [Registration](#) is open for our Pacific Western Regional Assembly this April 19th and 20th! Attend either in person, at First Universalist in Denver, or remotely. We are planning a family friendly event and children are welcome. Stay up to date on all the PWR RA Plans [HERE](#).

## **Transforming Conflict Learning Series**

What's your relationship with conflict? As a congregation, we want to learn how to engage with conflict in loving and covenantal ways. Join us for a learning series on the book *Transforming Conflict: The Blessings of Congregational Turmoil* by Terasa Cooley. Read more in the [full version](#) of The Window.

## **Seeking Board of Trustees Candidates**

Please consider becoming a candidate for a Board of Trustees position that begins in July. For more information, e-mail [nomcom@firstuusandiego.org](mailto:nomcom@firstuusandiego.org) or call 858-449-0431.

## **Interfaith Shelter Network Congregational Rotation**

First UU and the Social Justice Executive Team are proud to announce that our Hillcrest campus will once again host the Interfaith Shelter Network's rotational shelter in Spring 2024, from March 10 — March 24. For more info or to sign up, contact [Alex Bates-Lamparella](#), Shelter Project Coordinator or [Laura Ball](#), 619-548-3231.

## **D4\$ 2024: Events are Now Needed!**

D4\$ is our beloved community-building fundraising auction of different events between June 2024 and December 2024. Please go to our [D4\\$ webpage](#) for a link to the online event submission form. Submit your event(s) no later than April 15. To volunteer in-person at church contact [Laurie Crehan](#) or [Robie Evans](#).

## **What's Happening?**

### **Memory Matters Gathering**

March 8, second and fourth Fridays, 10 am — 11:30 am, online. Email [hybertsen@att.net](mailto:hybertsen@att.net) for the link.

### **Women Together Meeting**

March 9, second Saturdays, 12 pm — 2 pm, Common Room. Join us to share joys, concerns, and friendship. For more information contact Claudia at [obata.claudia@gmail.com](mailto:obata.claudia@gmail.com).

### **Dances of Universal Peace**

March 9, second Saturdays, 4 pm — 6 pm, Bard Hall.

### **Kirtan Chanting**

March 9, second Saturdays, 6 pm — 7 pm, Common Room. Join Patita Pavana of Spirit Soul And Friends along with our event host, James Long, for an evening of Kirtan.

### **Hillcrest In-Person Social Hour**

Sundays, following worship, Hillcrest Patio.

### **Virtual Social Hour**

Sundays, 11 am, [bit.ly/FirstUUSocialHour](https://bit.ly/FirstUUSocialHour), Meeting ID 824 042 297. Password: FUUSD.

### **Rainbow Action Group's Koffee Klatch**

March 10, second Sundays, 11:15 am — 12:15 pm, Room 323. Bring some refreshments and join us. All family, friends and allies are invited.

### **Cosmos**

March 10, second Sundays, 1 pm — 3 pm, Room 323. Join us as we explore the birth and evolution of our universe. Contact [James Long](#).

### **BIPOC Centered Environmental Equity**

March 10, Sunday, 3:30 pm, <https://bit.ly/1stUUClimateJustice>. Two local BIPOC-centered groups will discuss their current programs aimed at achieving environmental justice.

### **Open Heart Sangha**

Sundays, weekly, 4 pm — 5:30 pm, Bard Hall. Contact Marge, [margewur@gmail.com](mailto:margewur@gmail.com) for information.

### **Coping With Chronic Conditions Support Group**

March 11, 2nd and 4th Mondays, 1:30 pm, [bit.ly/CopingCCGroup](https://bit.ly/CopingCCGroup), meeting ID 681-036-9317.

### **Caregivers/Allies Support Group**

March 11, 2nd Mondays, and 4th Tuesdays, 4 pm — 5:30 pm, online. For information contact [Les Vivian](#).

### **Women's Choir**

March 11, Mondays, 7 pm, Bard Hall. Join this warm and welcoming group of women. No experience required.

### **Neighborhood Groups without Borders**

March 13, second Wednesdays, 11 am — 1 pm, 4349 Adams Ave, 92116. Susan Riegel-Harding invites you to a brown bag lunch at her home. Text RSVP to 619-987-6234 to reserve one of 14 spaces each month.

### **Chalice Choir**

March 13, Wednesdays, 7 pm, Bard Hall. Join us for singing and fun with First UU's largest musical ensemble. All God's critters got a place in the choir - come and take yours! No prior singing experience is required.

### **Our Grief Journeys**

March 14, second & fourth Thursdays, until May 28, 1:30 pm — 3 pm, Room 323. This is a safe, supportive space for sharing our unique experiences of grief & loss. For information contact [karenthurst@gmail.com](mailto:karenthurst@gmail.com).

### **Book Club**

March 14, second Thursdays, 6 pm, Zoom. We will be discussing *Lincoln in the Bardo* by George Saunders, on April 11 we will discuss *Mecca* by Susan Straight. Contact [Minastaylor@gmail.com](mailto:Minastaylor@gmail.com) for info.

### **Finance Committee Meeting**

March 14, Thursday, 6:30 pm, link in the members area of the [website](#).

### **Adult RE: Governance**

March 15, Friday, 6:30 pm — 9 pm, Zoom. DLFF, Tony Bianca, will explore the policies, practices and procedures that form the governance structure of our congregation. Register [HERE](#).

### **Estate Planning Documents**

March 16, Saturday, 10 am, Bard Hall and <https://bit.ly/UUSeniors>. Richard Scott Stewart, Esq., a local attorney specializing in elder law, will lead a discussion on wills, trusts, and other legal documents for estate planning.

### **Front Street Productions Presents!**

March 16, Saturday, 7:30 pm, Meeting House. Front Street Productions presents “Susan Straight Author Talk.” Featuring her award-winning novel “Mecca.” Register through [Eventbrite](#). Contact [Robie Evans](#).

### **Spiritual Agnostics Film Study & Discussion Group**

March 17, Sunday, 11:30 am, Room 323. We will be watching “Our Brand Is Crisis,” starring Sandra Bullock, Billy Bob Thornton, and Joaquim de Alameda.

### **Board Meeting**

March 19, Tuesday, 6:30 pm, online. Open to congregants. Link in the [website](#) member area.

### **Men’s Fellowship 4<sup>th</sup> Monday Meeting**

March 25, Monday, 6 pm, Common Room. We welcome men who self-identify as straight, gay or trans-gender.

### **The Racialized Identities Awareness Book Group**

April 5, Friday, 6:30 pm — 8 pm, Room 323. *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates will be discussed. Please come and join us, and contact [Louise Titlow](#) if you're interested.

### **Board Chat**

April 7, first Sundays, 12:30 pm, [bit.ly/FirstUUBoardChat](https://bit.ly/FirstUUBoardChat), Meeting ID: 863 0218 5062 Passcode: 203946.

### **Hillcrest Song Circle**

April 7, first Sundays, 2 pm — 4 pm, Common Room. This is a fun chance to sing, we are not a choir.

## **South Bay Campus**

### **South Bay Worship**

Sundays, 10 am, South Bay Worship Hall. Join the South Bay community for worship every Sunday at 10 am.

### **South Bay Wisdom Circle**

March 10, Sunday, 11:30 am, South Bay Worship Hall. Join us for conversations and fellowship. Facilitated by our Intern Minister, Swamini Adityananda Saraswati. For more info: [swamini@firstuusandiego.org](mailto:swamini@firstuusandiego.org).

## **Family & Lifespan**

### **Sunday RE**

This Sunday, March 10, we'll offer our usual three Sunday RE Groups for children and youth: PreK - 1st; 2nd - 5th, and Jr & Sr High School during the 10 am service.

### **Register for All Church Camp**

We hope you can join us for All Church Camp at de Benneville Pines May 31 — June 2! For more information and to register, visit: <https://www.firstuusandiego.org/all-church-camp.html>

### **Young Adult Group (ages 22 - 35)**

Tuesdays, 5:30 pm — 7 pm. Room 114b was impacted by the recent rainstorm. If you are interested in attending young adult group contact [Lara Anderson](#) for guidance on temporary meeting locations.

## **Social Justice**

### **Climate Action: Campaign Kickoff Against Big Oil**

Big Oil is using the ballot box to endanger the health and safety of vulnerable communities. You can help defend California's oil well safety setback law against a repeal referendum on the November ballot on Saturday, March 23, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm at Centro Cultural de la Raza (Balboa Park). Register [here](#).

### **UU Justice Ministry of California Border Pilgrimage**

April 4 — 7, 2024. In partnership with Casas de Luz & UU Refugee & Immigrant Services and Education (UURISE), we are excited to offer an in-person immersion experience engaging with immigration at the California border. Read more in the [full version](#) of The Window.

## **South Bay Food Pantry**

### **Need Support?**

Could you or someone you know use support with food, blankets, or other basic needs? The South Bay Food Pantry wants to help! Feel free to let a minister or staff person know, or leave a voicemail: (619) 271-5017.

### **The South Bay Food Pantry...**

is located at 970 Broadway, Suite 101, Chula Vista 91911. Open to the public Saturdays 11 am — 12:30 pm. Contact us [foodpantry@firstuusandiego.org](mailto:foodpantry@firstuusandiego.org) or 619-271-5017.

### **Midweek Bagging**

Thursdays, 11 am — 12:30 pm, South Bay Campus Room 105. Join us putting together bags of healthy food for Saturday's distribution. Drop by or check ahead with [foodpantry@firstuusandiego.org](mailto:foodpantry@firstuusandiego.org).

### **How to Donate to the South Bay Food Pantry**

Donate online or by check payable to FUUSD with "SB Food Pantry" in the memo. Mail to 4190 Front St., 92103

### **Food Pantry Needs Your Grocery Bags!**

The pantry can use the plastic grocery bags you're collecting! And we always need easy-open no-cook food, hygiene items, and adult incontinence supplies. Drop off in Hillcrest on Sunday morning in the Meeting House.