

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Hillcrest In-Person Social Hour

Following worship, Bard Hall. Join your community for coffee and conversation.

JUUL Tones Rehearsal

11 am - 12:30 pm, Clark Chapel. Weekly. Contact **Andrea**: andrea@firstuusandiego.org

Open Heart Sangha

Weekly, 4 pm - 5:30 pm, Bard Hall. Contact **Marge**: margewur@gmail.com

Passover Seder

4 pm - 6 pm, Common Room. Hinenu Havurah is hosting a Passover Seder, open to church members, with a vegetarian potluck meal. Andrea will lead singing. The Seder is free, but donations are greatly appreciated!

Monday, April 14, 2025

Coping With Chronic Conditions Support Group

1:30 pm - 3 pm, Zoom. Second & fourth Mondays. For church members and friends who deal with chronic and long-term physical conditions. Contact **Chris Smith** prior.

Caregivers/Allies Support Group

4 pm - 5:30 pm on Zoom. Second Monday & fourth Tuesdays. For those with caregiver responsibilities or if you have concerns for a friend or relative. Please contact **Les Vivian**.

Women's Choir Rehearsal

7 pm - 8:30 pm, Bard Hall. For more info, contact **Tomás Acosta**: tomas@firstuusandiego.org

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Board Meeting

6 pm - 8 pm, Bard Hall and Zoom. Board of Trustees meetings are open to congregants. This month we will be in Bard Hall and on Zoom. The link is in the members-only section of the website.

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Yoga with Jim Eischen

6 pm - 7 pm, Common Room. Weekly. Suggested donation of \$10. All are welcome!

Chalice Choir Rehearsal

Weekly, 7 pm - 8:30 pm, Bard Hall. Contact **Tomás**.

Thursday, April 17, 2025

Rainbow Twilight Walk

5 pm - 7 pm, Balboa Park. Join us for an evening of exercise and socializing. Meet at the center of Balboa Park's Museum area.

Thursday, April 17, 2025 (Continued)

Young Adult Group

6 pm - 7:30 pm, Room 114b. Weekly. For those aged 18 to 35. Please contact **Lara** for more information: lara@firstuusandiego.org

Saturday, April 19, 2025

UU Seniors - No Meeting this Month

UU Seniors will not be meeting on April 19. Our next program will be Saturday, May 17.

Upcoming Events

Burrito (and Sweet Treats!) Project

April 21, Monday, 5 pm - 7:30 pm, Common Room and South Bay. Join us in assembling and distributing burritos and treats to folks experiencing food insecurity in Chula Vista. Burrito assembly will take place at the Hillcrest campus and distribution will take place at the South Bay campus. Please contact **Lara** for more details: lara@firstuusandiego.org

UUA Common Read - Session Three

April 24, Thursday, 6 pm - 9 pm, Zoom. Join us as we continue to read "Authentic Selves: Celebrating Trans and Nonbinary People and Their Families." See Window for more info and to register.

PSWSA Assembly Hosted by First UU

April 25 - 27, Friday - Sunday, Events all day, First UU Hillcrest Campus. Children & Youth Programming Available Saturday, April 26! Register now at bit.ly/PSWSAA_2025! Come join Unitarian Universalists and other like-minded individuals as we gather together this April in San Diego to explore how we can better cultivate a culture of love and put these beliefs into action. It's going to be a weekend full of amazing keynote speakers, informative workshops, great music and food and most of all, having time to connect with old friends and make some new ones! Read all about it on our [church blog](#).

Social Justice Film and Discussion Series

May 1, Thursday, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, Bard Hall. Join us in the screening of "Taste of Hope" by Laura Coppens; a film exploring the struggles of a workers' cooperative in their pursuit of an ideal workplace. Stay after for a discussion facilitated by Bob Nowlan.

Racialized Identities Awareness (RIA) Book Group

May 2, Friday, 6:30, Room 323 and Zoom. RIA Book Group is discussing two short books, "When the Emperor was Divine" by Julie Otsuka (2003) and "They Called us Enemy" by George Takei, Eisinger, Scott, and Becker (2019). For the Zoom link, contact Louise: lmittlow@gmail.com

Welcome / Bienvenida-o to the First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego

*Create community, nurture spiritual growth, heal the world.
Crear comunidad, fomentar el crecimiento espiritual, sanar el mundo.*

April's Worship Theme: The Practice of Joy

“Grounding Vision: From Earth to Earth Justice”

*Phil Petrie, Co-Chair of the Interfaith Coalition
for Earth Justice, Guest Speaker*

Rev. Kristen Kuriga, Assistant Minister

Rhea Kuhlman, Worship Associate

Las Campanas Handbell Ensemble

Tony Bianca, Handbell Ensemble Director

Gaby Villafranca, Musician

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10 am Hillcrest Patio Viewing and Livestream



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Bell / Campana

~ Rev. Kristen Kuriga, *Assistant Minister*

Prelude / Preludio

“All Glory, Laud and Honor” *Arr. by Frances L. Callahan*

~ Las Campanas Handbell Ensemble

~ Tony Bianca, *Handbell Ensemble Director*

Call to Worship and Chalice Lighting /**Llamado a la Adoración y Encendido del Cáliz**

“Committed to Respond” — Lynn Harrison

Land Acknowledgement / Reconocimiento de Tierras

~ Rhea Kuhlman, *Worship Associate*

~ Rev. Kristen Kuriga, *Assistant Minister*

Gathering Hymn / Himno de reunión

#21 For the Beauty of the Earth

~ Tony Bianca and Gaby Villafranca, *Musicians*

Welcome & Announcements / Bienvenida y anuncios**Church Hymn / Himno de la iglesia****Church Aspiration / Aspiración de la Iglesia****Time for All Ages & Affirmation /****Tiempo para todas las edades y afirmación**

“The Tide Is Rising, So Are We!:

A Climate Movement Anthem”

— Shoshana Meira Friedman, *Illustrated by Kiki Kita*

~ Tony Bianca, *Director of Lifespan Faith Formation*

Reading / Lectura

“Bhāgavata Purāṇa 10.8.21-45”

Translated by Wendy Doniger

Meditation Hymn / Himno de meditación

#1069 Ancient Mother

Meditation / Meditación**Special Music / Música especial**

“The Tide is Rising” — Rabbi Shoshana Meira Friedman
and Yotam Schachter

Sermon / Sermón

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Offering / Ofrenda

Interfaith Coalition for Earth Justice (ICEJ)

Offering Music / Ofreciendo música

“Sí Bheag, Sí Mhór” — Turlough O'Carolan

Gaby Villafranca, *Tin Whistle*

Closing Hymn / Himno de Clausura

#1064 Blue Boat Home

Blessing & Extinguishing of the Chalice /**Bendición y Extinción del Cáliz****Postlude / Postludio**

“Ovation” — Brenda E. Austin

~ Las Campanas Handbell Ensemble

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www.firstusandiego.org



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*Our sign language interpreter today is Paul Lambert.
Join us for In Person Hillcrest Social Hour after Worship*