

Sunday, April 28, 2024

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To Heal, Inspire and Empower in the Way of Jesus So that all people may create lives of deeper meaning and greater value.

News & Opportunities - Sunday and Beyond...

This Sunday at UCC Petaluma

This Sunday we Dance! Well, not in the pews (well, we could if you want!) Join us at 10am as we meet the Dancing Prophet Miriam. Easter and Passover speak to one another through the prophetic wisdom of Miriam's experience and the many feminine images of Divine who's dance provides insight into the human experience Trust and the art of co-creative being and becoming. View this week's Digital Bulletin <u>HERE</u>!

Worship & Spiritual Life Seeking an "Our Spiritual Journey's" speaker for June 2

Wow! Thank you to 3 people who stepped up to offer to share their spiritual journey in the coming months. We are blessed with so many wonderful life stories. It's never too late to join those who have already volunteered. Let us know how we can help you to share your story in a way that is workable for you.

Online Offerings



If you find it helpful to make your offerings online, please use this QR code to take you to our website and click the Donate button. Your gift will make a difference!

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday May 1 at 12:30pm

The Genesis Circle (Women's group) will meet in the Friendship Hall. This group meets on the first Wednesday of every month. To learn more about this group, please contact Dorothy Wilcox at 707-540-1796.

Saturday, May 4 at 9 am.

Join the annual Spring Petaluma River Cleanup. We need your help to keep our river clean! Gathering is at Steamer Landing Park at 9am for supplies, snacks, site instructions and a

safety talk before heading out to one of 10 locations in the Petaluma Watershed. All ages welcome! <u>CLICK HERE</u> for details! <u>CLICK HERE</u> to register!

Sunday May 5th 11:30am

Join us in Friendship Hall after worship for a Second hour gathering at UCC Petaluma. We'll be in conversation regarding the future of leadership for our church.

Tuesday, May 7 at 5:30 pm

The next 4-week series of Petaluma Conversations begins at the Petaluma Library! Many things are new, including the option to bring your own group, a facilitator will be provided as well as the structure to hear one another. The suggested topics this week are The Presidential Election and Belonging. Look forward to connecting and building community together! CLICK HERE to register your interest in attending.

Tuesday, May 21 at 10 am, by Zoom.

UCC Petaluma Book Group will be discussing the choice of its next book. To make suggestions or learn more, contact Paul Eklof at peklof@pacbell.net. Or talk to Ann Nancy or Michael Vosler.

Tuesday, May 21 5-8pm

Cool Petaluma, in partnership with the City of Petaluma, welcomes all to our third annual Expo! <u>Click Here</u> to learn how you can be a part of Cool Petaluma's many offerings and connect to all those who are working for Climate justice in our community.

Thursday, May 30 at 2pm

Amor Para Todos Give Out Day! Join for an amor, fun-filled, family-friendly day for all at The Block Petaluma. The event will include silent & live auctions, live music, food, kid's areas, and trivia! CLICK HERE for more information about Amor Para Todos!



Opportunities for Spiritual Learning & Action

Cool Petaluma Resource Expo 2024

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especially connect to all those who are working for Climate justice by offering resources in our community.

Pass a Family-Friendly Farm Bill - Bread for the World

The Farm Bill affects the agriculture and food sectors - it can play a huge role in reducing food insecurity and hunger in the U.S. and abroad. Congress is still working to renew farm bill programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and international food aid programs. Tell your senators and representatives it's time to get the job done and pass a family-friendly farm bill. Express your support for a family friendly farm bill, CLICK HERE.

Continuing to Support Justice for Women

Just because Women's history month is over, doesn't mean we should sit back. Take action now to support justice for women. Now more than ever, we must speak up! CLICK HERE to contact your representative! Our voices matter. Talking to your representative is the best way to make sure it is heard.

Join in our National Denomination's Educational Webinars

Our National denomination offers a variety of thoughtful educational webinars on topics from local to international interest relevant to our mission and vision. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see their many offerings.

Blue Zones

Articles, recipes, resources, and tools for transforming personal and communal well-being and longevity. Curated from research done by Dan Buettner (National Geographic Explorer and Fellow) on the world's healthiest, longest-living populations. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to read their latest articles.

Sonoma Country LGBTQIA+ Community Needs Assessment

Please join us in collaborating with the wonderful <u>Positive Images (PI)</u> to share <u>this amazing survey</u> they created to get MUCH-needed data for those in the LGBTQIA+ Sonoma County community. If you or anyone you know is in the LGBTQIA+ community, please consider taking/sharing the survey or scan the QR code below to take the survey.

CLICK HERE to download a new Wheel of the Year for 2023-24.



The Wheel of the Year is a helpful guide to your spiritual practice - connecting your household's unique understandings and traditions to the stories, festivals, and practices of billions of others around the globe

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

8: Craig Wilcox

13: Judy Frankel

15: Jeff Flick

19: Tim Talamantes

21: Sharlene Castle

28: Grace Ruddell

30: Marcos and Nico Carballal