

UCV EVENTS



NOVEMBER
2017



Romneya White "Fried Egg" Poppies

Worship Services

November 5

When Minds Crack the Light Might Get In:

**A Spiritual Perspective on Mental
and Emotional Breakdown**

**Guest Speaker Ron Unger with
Rev. Steven Epperson**

Trauma and other misfortune can lead to deep crisis, misery, and misdirected lives, but our darkest moments are also opportunities to discover spiritual truths that can otherwise be invisible. When we recognize the possibility of *breakthrough* during times of breakdown and dysfunction, we gain a deeper appreciation of the mysteries of life and spirit as well as increased ability to reach out to others who may be struggling.

Join us for what will be a thought-provoking and moving service.

November 12

In Memoriam: Remembrance Day

**Rev. Steven Epperson
with UCV members**

We commemorate this year's Remembrance Day with a service of meditations, in word and music, on the tragedy of war and the gift of nature and peace.

The Chalice Choir sings.

November 19

A Pilgrim's Story:

**Walking the Camino de Santiago
Stories, Impressions and Lessons**

Laureen Stokes

The Camino de Santiago in northern Spain is one of the most important pilgrimage routes in the Catholic Church. Over 200,000 pilgrims arrive in Santiago de Compostela annually. Pilgrims come

from around the world to walk at least 100 km and often more than 800 km.

We are a diverse group ranging in age, faith, language and purpose. We may start by walking alone, but we often end up in groups, and in partners. All of us make our own discoveries, and many of us are changed by our experience.

November 26

Nature will be My Language— A Close Encounter with Thoreau

Rev. Steven Epperson

Dismissed by most of his contemporaries as a failed and strange outsider, Henry David Thoreau has come to be seen as one of North America's foundational writers. He directly influenced Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. and prophetically heralded the rise of ecological sciences, the environmental movement, and the turn to Nature in Unitarian theology.

Thoreau is author of *Walden* and *On Civil Disobedience*. We celebrate his 200th anniversary.

The Chalice Choir sings.

Every Sunday

10:00 am Meditation

11:00 am Worship Service

*Coffee and conversation in Hewett
Centre before and after.*

12:00 pm Lunch by donation

12:30 pm Forum in Fireside room

1:00 pm Library closes

Children's programs for all ages begin
after story time in the sanctuary

Our Vision

Because we envision a more compassionate world, we seek to deepen our spiritual and religious lives, grow and enrich our congregation, and advocate for love and justice.

Living Our Vision

As Unitarians, we are dedicated to spiritual growth, social justice, and reverence for nature and all life. We embody these values through worship, ethical action, artistic expression, and religious education for all ages that aim to connect hearts, heads, and hands. Our congregation welcomes all ages, orientations, abilities, and identities in our joyous search for meaning.

HELLO
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New Here

What should I expect?

New to UCV Workshop

**Sat. Nov 4
9:15am–2:30pm**

Fireside Room.

Coffee and muffins 9 am.

Lunch provided.

Everything you wanted to know about Unitarianism and UCV but were afraid to ask. Attendance encouraged prior to becoming a member. Interested current members also welcome. Registration forms available at the Welcome Table or church office. Questions? Contact Dianne dcrosbie@uniserve.com or the church office 604 261-7204.



FORUMS

12:30 – 1:30 pm
Fireside Room
(unless noted)

All welcome!

Bring along your lunch or beverage.
Additional details and future dates at
<http://vancouverunitarians.ca/forums>

November 5

Is Canada Becoming More Militarized?

Canada refused to adopt the first-ever treaty to ban nuclear weapons. The government boosted military spending by over \$30 billion, plans to buy new warships and fighter jets, and increase the armed forces by 5,000. What does this signal? Speaker: TBD

Sponsor: Social Justice Committee

**November 19 12:30 – 3pm
Annual General Meeting**

The agenda package will be emailed to members on Oct 20. We will vote on the new By-laws, and elect members for the 2017 – 2018 Board.

November 19

Leave a Legacy

Come to the forum to learn about how to leave a legacy to the church. Allison Felker, Manager of Donor Engagement and Fund Development for Vancity Community Foundation, will give you tips and ideas and answer questions on planned giving.

Sponsor: Board

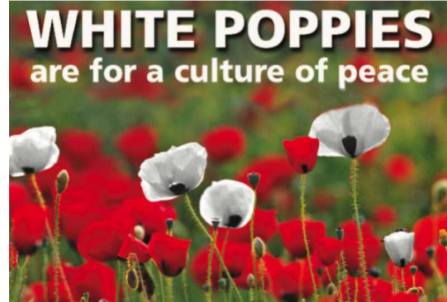
November 26

Memory Sync

Travis Johnson

After completing a film degree at New York University, Travis Johnson moved to Vancouver and works in the animated film field. His thesis film *Memory Sync* won numerous awards at film festivals.

Travis will share his seven-minute film and talk about his story as an animator. Your comments and questions are welcomed. More at <http://www.wtjanimation.com/reel/>
Arts & Culture (Mary Bennett)



White Poppies

Oct. 29 and Nov. 5 10 am – 1 pm

White Poppies, also known as Peace Poppies, will be available before and after Sunday services. Many of us like to wear the red and white poppies beside each other, the red to remember fighters killed in war, and the white for others killed by war. The white is for peace.

<http://www.peacepoppies.ca/>

Wreath-Making

Sun. Oct. 29 1 – 4 pm

Lindsey-Priestley

Wed. Nov. 8 7 – 9 pm

Hewett Hall

Please join us to help out if you can.
Donations of materials welcome.

White Poppy Wreath Ceremony

Sat. Nov. 11 2:30 – 4 pm

Seaforth Peace Park,
1st Avenue & Burrard Street

To recognize overlooked victims of war.
Lynn Armstrong 778-835-2546,
Jenny Podlecki 604-737-7794

CompuTutor

Sun. Nov. 5 12 – 1 pm

Lindsey Priestley

Resource Paul Prescod. Questions?

RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca

Communications Team Meeting

Sun. Nov. 5 9:45 – 10:45 am

Biddle Board Room

If you'd like to join the team, please contact Mary Bennett in advance of the meeting. maryinvancouver@gmail.com

Book Group

Sun. Nov. 12 12:30 – 2 pm

Presenter: Judy Villett

Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend by Matthew Dicks will be discussed.

Volunteer Groups

OPEN TO ALL

Arts – Douglas Ennenberg
douglasennenberg@gmail.com
Environment – 3rd Sun. 12:30 pm

Lindsey-Priestley

Mary Lage: Administrative Chair
mlage@shaw.ca

Tamiko Suzuki: Information
tamiko.l.suzuki@gmail.com

Library – 1st Mon. 2 pm Fireside

David Buchanan

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Refugee – 4th Sun. 12:30 pm Biddle

Virginia Crabill 604-731-1730

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Julia Myers – at Thrift Sale Table Sundays

Social Justice – 2nd Sunday

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Regional Events

Climate Change Covenant Group

Co-sponsored with Beacon Unitarian

Wed. Oct. 4 6:30 – 8 pm

Waves Coffee, 715 Columbia,
New Westminster

Monthly group. Teresa Morton

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Social Dinner Events

Messy ChUrch + Make Dinner

Nov. 10 (2nd Fri.) 5 – 9 pm
Hewett Hall

Pasta, Yarn, and Ribbons

This pan-generational monthly dinner, on each 2nd Friday, invites community to relax together, play, talk, create, cook, and eat. November is a long skinny theme. We're cooking spaghetti and creating with yarn. Bring ingredients for your favorite sauce or salad, or just bring a loaf of bread.

We have yarn, ribbon, and instructions for finger knitting, needle knitting, and spool knitting. Seasoned textile or yarn crafters bring your tips and tricks. For those who abhor finger dexterity there is also paper, glue, and knot tying.

Suggested donations to cover costs: \$5 adult/\$3 child. No one turned away. RSVP or questions: Kiersten Moore dre@vancouverunitarians.ca

Movable Feast

Nov. 25 (Last Sat.) 6 pm

Minoas Greek Taverna, 3823 Kingsway, Burnaby (near Central Park). RSVP is essential. Dianne Crosbie dcrosbie@uniserve.com

Hygge Potluck Dinner

Sun. Nov. 12 6 pm

Hosts: Lilia and Paul Prescod
East Vancouver. Must register to ucvhygge@gmail.com Address sent to confirmed participants.

Hygge Hannukah Potluck Dinner

Sat. Dec. 9 5 pm

Hall

Learn the traditions, stories, songs and games. Come early (3 pm) and make latkes together. Dinner @ 5pm; 7 – 9 pm Stay for dancing and games. RSVP with what you'll bring ucvhygge@gmail.com

Sunday Communal Lunches

Please join us for a delicious meal in Hewett Hall following Sunday service on most Sundays. No lunch scheduled for Nov. 5 and 26. To host a fundraising lunch or help out contact Ben Hechter ben_hechter@yahoo.com

Regular Events

Bridge Group

Nov. 7 (1st Tues.) 7 – 9:30 pm
Fireside

Friendly bridge. All levels welcome but you should know basics of play. Donna Brown quinnbrown44@gmail.com

Seven UU Principles

Every Wed. 10 – 11:30 am

Fireside

Registration required. George Atherton notrehta@gmail.com

Meditation

Every Sun. 10 – 10:45 am

Meditation Room

Every Wed. 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Victoria victoriaoginski@gmail.com

Principles and Sources Covenant Group

Thu. Nov. 16 (2nd Thu.) 7 – 8:30 pm

Lindsey-Priestley

What are the *Principles and Sources*? This group is a good place to learn them and explore how you personally relate to them. Drew Lemen 604-441-4619 lemen.drew@gmail.com

Chalice Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays 7:15 pm

Sanctuary

Donna Brown quinnbrown44@gmail.com

Theatre for Living Practice

Sat. Nov. 11 10 am – 1 pm

Hitschmanova

Interactive workshop to practise techniques in interactive, improvisational theatre. Wear comfortable clothes. RSVP required Meg Roberts 778-870-9015 mroberts@uuma.org.

Compassion Circle

Nov. 26 9:30 – 10:45 am

Family Room, Admin Building

Facilitator: Nancy Barker
Open to all active UCV members knowledgeable about non-violent (compassionate) communication. Register in advance with Lynn 778-835-2546 lynnbea@gmail.com or Mairy 604-916-6440 mairyvelesbea@gmail.com

Fireside Yoga

Mondays to Nov 20 7 – 8:15 pm

A quiet practice of gentle stretching. Props provided. No experience required. Suggested rate \$12 Drop-in. No one turned away due to lack of funds. Philippa appili@shaw.ca 604-836-9165

Sacred Circle Dance

Hewett Hall

No partner or experience is needed. Dances are always taught and reviewed.

Nov. 7 (1st Tues.) 7 – 9 pm

Dancing for Shared Peace and Understanding

November 10 is the UN's World Science Day for Peace and Development

If you would like to share a dance, contact Leslie lkemp@telus.net.

Nov. 13 (2nd Mon.) 7 – 9 pm

Celebrating Joy/ Remembering Peace

With Corinne Chepil.

G.L.A.D. Gathering for Labyrinth, Art and Dance**Dancing the Dark and the Light**

Nov. 16 (3rd Thu.) 11 am – 1 pm

Lindsey-Priestley

For details contact Mary at circledanceucv@gmail.com.

SFU Philosophers' Café

Thu. Nov. 2 10:30 am – 12 pm

Fireside Room

How do celebrities influence public opinion and policy decisions, and should we do anything about it?

Can you name some celebrities who have attached their names to a cause, product or organization? Is there a condition when endorsements by celebrities are inappropriate? Where do they get their authority from? Current issue: NFL players kneeling during US national anthem.

Moderator: Randall MacKinnon philosophers.cafe@ymail.com

Co-sponsors SFU and UCV

Religious Education**Woven Together:****Truth, Healing and Reconciliation**

Sun. Nov 5, 19 and 26 11:15— 12 pm

For children in grades 4-6 (ages 8-11).

Upcoming Events

EVERY SUNDAY

10:00 – 10:45 am Meditation, Meditation Room
 11:00 – 12:00 pm Worship Services, Sanctuary
 12:00 – 1:00 pm Coffee and Conversation, Hall
 12:30 – 1:30 pm Forum, Fireside

EVERY MONDAY UNTIL NOV. 20

7:00 – 8:15 pm Fireside Yoga, Fireside Room

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10:00 – 11:30 am Seven UU Principles, Fireside. *Registration required.*
 6:30 – 8:30 pm Meditation Class, Meditation Room

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Wed. 1	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Coming off Benzodiazepines Support Group, Hirschmanova
Thu. 2	10:30 am – 12:00 pm	SFU Philosophers' Café, Fireside Room
Sat. 4	9:15 am – 2:30 pm	New to UCV? Join this workshop, Fireside Room
Sun. 5	12:00 – 1:00 pm	Computer Tutorial, Lindsey-Priestley
Sun. 5	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Forum – Is Canada Becoming More Militarized? Fireside Room
Mon. 6	2:00 – 3:00 pm	Library Committee Meeting, Fireside Room
Tue. 7	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Bridge Group – 1st Tuesdays, Fireside Room
Tue. 7	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Sacred Circle Dance - 1st Tuesday, Main Hall
Wed. 8	7:00 – 9:00 pm	White Poppy Wreath Making, Main Hall
Thu. 9	7:00 – 8:30 pm	Principles and Sources Covenant Group - 2nd Thursday Evenings, Fireside Room
Fri. 10	5:00 – 9:00 pm	Messy ChUrch - Pasta, Yarn and Ribbons, Main Hall
Sun. 12	12:30 – 3:00 pm	Annual General Meeting, Main Hall
Sun. 12	12:30 – 2:00 pm	Book Group – 2nd Sundays, Lindsey-Priestley
Mon. 13	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Sacred Circle Dance with Corinne, Main Hall
Thu. 16	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	GLAD Gathering for Labyrinth, Art and Dance, Lindsey-Priestley
Sat. 18	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Grounds Work Party, meet in front of the Main Hall
Sat. 18	10:00 am – 1:00 pm	Theatre for Living Practice, Hirschmanova
Sun. 19	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Environment Meeting, Biddle
Sun. 19	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Forum – Leave a Legacy, Fireside Room
Tue. 21	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Board Meeting – Members Welcome, Biddle
Sun. 26	9:30 – 10:45 am	Compassion Circle, Family Room
Sun. 26	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Forum – Memory Sync Animated Film - Travis Johnson, Fireside Room
Sun. 26	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Refugee Committee, Biddle

OFF-SITE

Sun. 5	6:30 – 8:00 pm	Climate Change Covenant Group , Waves Coffee Shop, New Westminster
Sun. 12	6:00 pm	Hygge Dinner at the Prescods
Sat. 25	6:00 pm	Movable Feast

Our web site has the most up-to-date and accurate event listings with additional details.
<http://vancouverunitarians.ca/eventlist/>



Art Show: From Dust to Art

Fireside Room
Alina Smolyansky
 and her students – egg tempera

Sanctuary
Digital Art — Gregory Grant

UCV Events

Mary Bennett, Margo Elfert.
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Submission deadline:

18th of previous month

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Save the Dates

December Special Events

Sun. Dec. 3 7:30pm

Choir Concert

with reception following

Fri. Dec. 8 5 pm

Messy ChUrch All Ages Coffee House

Sat. Dec. 9 3-9 pm

Latke Making, Hanukkah Potluck, dancing and games

Sun. Dec. 17 11 am

Religious Education Program Pageant

Sun. Dec. 17 12:30

Winter Solstice Ritual and Circle Dance

Sun Dec. 17 7:30 pm

Candlelight Service of Song and Readings

Sun. Dec. 24 7 pm

Christmas Eve Service