

UCV



Vancouver Unitarians

Meeting on unceded, traditional Musqueam land

March 2019



We will be celebrating Everybody's Birthday on March 10

UCV EVENTS

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Worship Services

March 3

Creativity

A first Sunday, all-congregation worship service.

Rev. Steven Epperson and Keirsten Moore

Claiming not to have all the answers to life's question means Unitarians have tended to value creativity in our theology, congregational life, and in our homes, work and personal lives. Thinking, wondering, imagination, fluidity, and awe are hallmarks of creativity and our Unitarian way. Let's celebrate how it adds value to our play, problem solving and justice making (to name a few).

March 10

The Forgiveness Of Clay

Rev. Shawna Foster

A popular metaphor for spiritual life is that there is a maker, and we are the clay. What does it mean to be the makers of our own lives, and what shall we make with the clay we are given? Consider this as we explore our religious past and determine our spiritual future.

The Chalice Choir sings

March 17

Loving Determination

Sarah Kendall

Sarah Kendall had a cerebral hemorrhage with right-side hemiplegia, and has spent the last 13 years learning how to inhabit her unfamiliar body, and how to deal with all the sorrows and joys which surround her.

Before the stroke, she was a Massage Therapist, and facilitated communication workshops for women. Since the stroke she has suffered from expressive aphasia and loss of speech, rendering communication extremely challenging.

March 24

Religious Naturalism

Rev. Steven Epperson

While sharing core values, Unitarians, worldwide, are noted for theological diversity that ranges from pagan spirituality to secular humanism. We'll be looking at a rich source drawn from our theological diversity, called religious naturalism.

While viewing that the natural world is all we have reason to believe exists, religious naturalism is deeply attuned to a sense of reverence in response to the beauty and scope of the natural world.

The Chalice Choir sings

March 31

Owning What We Create

Rev. Steven Epperson

As Women's History month comes to an end, we'll be looking at two significant women: Mary Wollstonecraft and Mary Shelley, mother and daughter, and the extraordinary legacy of their lives and writing. Wollstonecraft's *Vindication of the Rights of Women, 1792*, was a groundbreaking work that resonates today; Shelley's *Frankenstein: Or the Modern Prometheus, 1818*, written when she was eighteen years old... well, we all know about that one, don't we?



FORUMS

12:30 – 1:30 Fireside Room

All Welcome! Bring your lunch.

<http://vancouverunitarians.ca/forums>

March 3

Catherine Hembling and Enviro Team members

Through video and discussion, we will examine the uplifting, brilliant, and paradigm shifting approach taken by Per Espen Stoknes. Stoknes is a psychologist with a Ph.D. in Economics, Ted Talk

Every Sunday

- 9:15 am Chi Gong
 - 10:00 am Meditation
 - 10:50 am Musical Prelude
 - 11:00 am Worship Service
 - 12:15 pm Sermon Discussion
- (newcomers welcome)

Children's programs (all ages) begin after Sanctuary story time.

Coffee and conversation in Hewett Hall before and after services.

global speaker, Parliamentarian, clean-tech entrepreneur, and award winning author.

March 10

Social Justice Committee

Please come to hear UCV member Cole Harris speak about the history and effects of colonization in Canada.

March 24

Environment Zero Waste Team

We would like to hear your thoughts on Zero Waste. In particular, what would or are you doing to live without plastic? And what do you do with the plastic that you are living with?

March 31

Communications Committee

Come and get a good look at what's on our website and also on social media platforms like facebook, twitter and instagram.

And meet some of the people who "make it so".

CHILDREN'S RE PROGRAM-

March 2

Messy Church

The Kingdom of Cardboard Continues! Medieval inspired potluck food encouraged. Any donation is welcome.

RE month theme: Creativity.



Calendar of Upcoming Events March 2019

ON SUNDAYS

9:15 – 9:45 am	Chi Gong, Meditation Room
10:00 – 10:45 am	Meditation, Meditation Room
10:50 – 11:00 am	Musical prelude in the Sanctuary
11:00 – 12:00 pm	Worship Services, Sanctuary
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Coffee and Conversation, Hall
12:15 – 1:00	Sermon Discussion, at designated table in Hall. <i>Regulars and newcomers welcome.</i>

ON WEDNESDAYS

10:00 – 11:30 am	Seven UU Principles, Fireside. <i>At capacity</i>
6:30 – 7:15 pm	Meditation, Meditation Room
7:30 – 8:30 pm	Study Group, Meditation Room
7:00 – 9:00 pm	From Colonization to Reconciliation (?) A Reading and Discussion Group, Fireside Room

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Fri. 1	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Women's Group Daytime, Fireside Room
Sat. 2	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon Launch, Lindsey Room
Sat. 2	5:00 – 8:00 pm	Messy Church Potluck Dinner, Main Hall
Sun. 3	10:15 am – 1:00 pm	Focus Table: International Women's Day and Women's Groups, Alcove, Hewett Hall
Sun. 3	10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Reconciliation Ideas Table, Designated Table in Main Hall
Sun. 3	12:00 – 1:00 pm	CompuTutor including How to Edit Wikipedia, Lindsey Room
Sun. 3	2:00 – 3:30 pm	Sunday Sacred Circle Dance, Fireside Room
Tue. 5	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Earth Spirit Circle: Celebrate Ostara, Hitchensmanova
Tue. 5	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Bridge Group, Fireside Room
Sat. 9	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	Practicing Interactive Theatre for Living, Hitchensmanova
Sun. 10	9:30 – 10:45 am	Social Justice Meeting, Biddle
Sun. 10	12:30 – 2:00 pm	Second Sunday Bookclub, Biddle
Sun. 10	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Unitarian Feminist Book Club - Indigenous Women's Writing, Zoom
Mon. 11	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Circle Dance: Anticipating Spring, Main Hall
Fri. 15	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Intergenerational Activist Gathering: Lessons Learned, Hewett Centre
Sat. 16	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Website Training - Session 2 - Creating Events, Lindsey-Priestley
Sat. 16	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Website Training - Intermediate 2, Biddle
Sun. 17	9:45 – 10:45 am	Communications Team Meeting, Biddle
Sun. 17	12:30 – 1:45 pm	Environment Meeting, Biddle
Mon. 18	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Women's Group Evening. Fireside Room
Thu. 21	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	GLAD Gathering for Labyrinth, Art and Dance, Lindsey-Priestley
Tue. 26	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Paganism 101 Session 7, Making Your Wand, Fireside Room
Thu. 28	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	The Potluck Book and Lunch Club, Fireside Room
Fri. 29	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Philosophers' Café, Fireside Room and Hall
Sat. 30	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	Building Bridges Through Understanding the Village, Hewett Hall
Sat. 30	2:00 – 5:00 pm	SoulCollage(r) Workshop in March, Lindsey-Priestley
Sat. 30	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Circle Dance with JES - Live Music!, Main Hall

OFF SITE

Tue. 26	2:30 – 5:00 pm	Westside Unitarians, Kitsilano Private Home
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Pledge Packets for our Annual Canvass will be distributed in mid-March by email to everyone with an email address on file and by slow mail to everyone else.

Contacts

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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.