

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito

Service at 10:00am

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September 21, 2025

Annual Paul Palmer Humanist Service

"Virtue"

Speaker: Mark Tuller

Order of Service: Sunday, September 21, 2025

Prelude

Katie Klaerich

Gathering Hymn "Come, Come, Whoever You Are"

(please remain seated - sing 2x)

Come, come, whoever you are

Wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving

Ours is no caravan of despair

Come, yet again, come

Welcome and Greet Your Neighbors

Lisa Shaffer

Welcoming Hymn #162 "Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield"

Call to Worship

Lisa Shaffer

Land Acknowledgement

Lisa Shaffer

Chalice Lighting

Lisa Shaffer

Time for All Ages

Lisa Shaffer & Mark Tuller

"Eeyore Loses A Tail" by A.A. Milne

Children's Recessional Hymn #414

(sing 2x as children leave service)

"As we leave this friendly place, love gives light to every face;

May the kindness which we learn, light our hearts till we return."

Centering Hymn

Lisa Shaffer

#123 "Spirit of Life" / #31 "Fuente de Amor"

Words and Music by Carolyn McDade, Spanish lyrics by Ervin Barrios

Spirit of Life, come unto me;

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.
Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión.
Sopla al volar, sube en el mar,
Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida.
Arráigame, libérame,
Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

Covenant

Lisa Shaffer

May love be the spirit of this congregation,
May the quest for truth be its sacrament
And service be its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
And to help one another in fellowship. This is our covenant.

Community Sharing

Lisa Shaffer

Reading

Mark Tuller

Albert Schweitzer "The Philosophy of Civilization" (1923)

Offering

Lisa Shaffer

Generosity Sunday: Fill-a-Belly

Special Music "Room on the Porch"

UUFSD Band

Music by Kevin R. Moore, Henry St. Claire Fredericks Jr.,
Ruby Amanfu & Ahmen Mahal

Meditation (sung 2x)

Lisa Shaffer

When I breathe in, I breathe in peace
When I breathe out, I breathe out love

Sermon "Virtue"

Mark Tuller

Closing Song

Greg Phillips & Cathy Leach-Phillips

"Which Side Are You On" (traditional tune)

Words by Florence Reece

Extinguishing the Chalice

Lisa Shaffer

"We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again."

Closing Words

Mark Tuller

Postlude

Katie Klaerich

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Welcome visitors! We are delighted you are here. Immediately following the service, we invite everyone to join on the central patio to enjoy refreshments and conversation, meet new friends, and gather in fellowship.

Give Online



UUFSD is a welcoming congregation.



Today's Service

- Speaker *Mark Tuller*
- Worship Associate *Lisa Shaffer*
- Song Leader *Cathy Leach-Phillips*
- Ushers *Nancy Coffin-Romig*
John Drewe
- UUFSD Band *Greg Phillips, Jere Darling,*
Susan Hahm, Sue Grant,
Jeff Severinghaus, and
Cathy Leach-Phillips

UUFSD
Staff

Minister *Rev. Heather Megill*
Music Director *Steve Milloy*
Pianist *Katie Klaerich*
Audio Visual Technician *Joe Cantrell*
Set Up Coordinators *Byrht Renfrow / Guthry Hahm*
RE Support Staff *Emily Host / Charlotte Rosen*

Announcements for Sunday, September 21, 2025

Seeking Pictures of Belonging

What does "belonging" mean to you within the context of our community? Rev. Heather will be speaking on this topic at the Sunday service on September 28th and she'd like your help. Do you have pictures you've taken of our community that represent "belonging" to you? If so, please email them to heather@uufsd.org to be included in a slideshow that will be presented at the Sept 28th service. The pictures could be from UUFSD Sunday services, social events, RE activities, Camp DeBenneville, offsite protests, or any UUFSD related event. Pictures need to be emailed by Thursday, Sept 25th. Thank you for your participation!

Sign Up Now for Social Groups

UUFSD has a number of social and spiritual groups that meet during the year. We are having an annual Signup for new members during September in the Core area that is ongoing. Please stop by the Visitor's table after Sunday Services to add your name to one or more of these groups: Sacred Circles, Women's Groups, Men's Groups.

Sacred Circle Returns!

Just like September means back to school, it also means that the Sacred Circle sign-ups are starting again. Sacred Circles are small group gatherings that meet once per month and are led by a trained facilitator. The purpose is to delve into important ethical and spiritual questions that help us learn more about ourselves and each other. We meet from October through May. We will have the schedule with Facilitators, dates, times and locations available toward the end of September. You may also reach out to us at SacredCircle@uufsd.org.

Where Olive Trees Weep - A Film and Discussion
Sunday, Sept 21; 11:30am-1:30pm; Founders Hall

Join the UUFSD Palestine-Israel Justice Group to watch this compelling movie and participate in the discussion after the screening. A light lunch will be served. The UUFSD Palestine-Israel Justice Group is asking the congregation to vote on becoming a signatory to the Americans Friends Service Committee's "APARTHEID FREE PLEDGE." For more information, please come to the Palestine-Israel Justice Group table in the Core Area after services.

UU Brewhouse - Canceled for September

The UU Brewhouse is canceled this month and will return in October so that we can focus on our big Casas de Luz fundraiser on Saturday, September 27th. Please see below.

Casas de Luz Carnival Fundraiser
Saturday, September 27; 5:30-7:30pm; Founders Hall

Step right up! Fun for the whole family! This October, RE families are traveling to Mexico for a special UUFSD youth home build and we need your support! The cost of the materials to build the house during this trip is \$6,500. While we have some support from various programs and budgets, we need to raise a significant portion of this money on our own. Please consider bringing your wallets along for this night full of laughter, antics, yummy food, and entertainment! Tickets are \$25 per adult, \$10 per child/youth. Dinner is included. More info can be found in the newsletter. Full participation and open pocketbooks encouraged! Questions? Please email explore@uufsd.org.

Brief Breeze Workshop
Sunday, Oct 5; 11:30am; Founders Hall West

Want to get in touch with someone at UUFSD and don't know how to access their info? Join us after the service on October 5 for a brief Breeze tutorial and find out how easy it is to use. Bring your questions for us to answer. We can show you with or without your phone and/or laptop on hand. For any questions before the workshop, contact Andi MacLeod at membershipchair@uufsd.org.

2nd Monday Book Club

Monday, Oct 13; 6:30pm-8:15pm; Founders Hall West

Jeannette Walls, famous memoir writer (*The Glass Castle*) also writes novels. We are reading her most recent, from 2023: *Hang the Moon*

Claiborne County, rural Virginia. 1920s. Prohibition. A fiery female protagonist. The succession of the family business. Bootlegging. The Temperance movement. Car chases. And more!

Come have fun with us discussing this page-turner. Questions can be emailed to bookclub@uufsd.org, or you can call or text Cathy Leach-Phillips at 650 224-1974.

Potluck: Plant-Based Planet-Friendly

Sunday, Oct 19; 11:00am; Core Area

Let's ALL participate to help our planet. Invite family/friends to participate! Bring a healthy plant-based dish to share. Plant-Based Vegan: no animal products. Vegetarian: includes dairy/eggs. (Place dairy/egg/cheese on the side.) Label your dish: spicy/nuts/gluten free; Tag with recipe/ingredients (for those w/ allergies.) If you don't cook: salads & fruit plates are welcome! What UUA has to say: <https://www.uua.org/environment/eating>. Hosted by UUFSD's Climate Group. TO HELP: Check in the kitchen before service (set up or clean up after).

Fullerton UU Family Retreat

November 14-16; REGISTER NOW

The 14th to 16th of November is Fullerton UUs retreat weekend to the clear air and rustic beauty of our Unitarian-Universalist (UU) cabin camp in the mountains. Camp de Benneville Pines is in the San Bernardino Mountains near Angelus Oaks on Big Bear Mountain. Cabins have hot showers and nice mattresses. Delicious meals are served in the lodge.

All UU members and friends--singles, couples, and families—are invited to attend. You naturally get to know each other better and build community spirit. There will be singing, hiking, children's activities, workshops, and relaxing. Dale at the UU Congregation in Fullerton is organizing this weekend.

Register for the November 14-16, 2025 weekend plus an option to add 11-13-25 to stay one day longer! For further information, contact Dale Botts 714-686-2791 or dale.botts2@gmail.com.

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote eight Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides.

- 1) The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- 2) Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- 3) Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- 4) A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- 5) The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- 6) The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- 7) Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part;
- 8) Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse and multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.



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