



THE FLAMING CHALICE

JUNE WORSHIP THEME:
Sing and Rejoice!

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Summer Fun Shops

Do you have a hobby or talent you would like to share with the Starr King children?

There is a saying: "It takes a village to raise a child". We would like to offer our children enrichment from all the talented people right here at Starr King Church. We need an activity leader and an assistant each week during the summer.

Here are a few suggestions out of many: arts and crafts, yoga, dancing, singing/music, gardening, games (indoor or outdoor), preparing food, puppetry, drama, treasure hunts, story telling, etc. There will probably be 4-8 children, three years old to eleven years old.

If this sounds like something you are interested in, please sign-up on the poster located in the social hall.

If you have any questions, please ask Lea Casini (phone: 510-537-7419)

JUNE SERVICE PREVIEW

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM

June 1 *Love and Wisdom* -Roy King, Jr., and Rev. Katie Kandarian-Morris

What have we learned together about things that matter most? Today we'll welcome and celebrate our newest members and say goodbye to the intern minister who has been learning with us for the last two years.

June 8 *All the Dreams* -Rev. Katie Kandarian-Morris

Long ministries strengthen congregations—and Starr King Unitarian Universalist Church has had a few. As this phase in the life of this congregation comes to a close, let us honor where we've been and the meanings we've created. We'll also create a bridge to adulthood for our graduating high school senior. A special day!

June 15 *Papa's Day* --Rev. Darcy Baxter

Come join us with Rev. Darcy as she leads worship for the last time; we'll celebrate the fullness of fatherhood.

June 22 *So Many Books, So Little Time*

-Glen Jacob

Today we'll continue our annual summer service featuring a "book communion." Bring a favorite book to give away and look for a surprise to pick up to delight you this summer. Consider again why reading is still a fashionable pursuit.

June 29 *Readers' Theatre* -Al Murdach

Experience a lesson in the form of a play. "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players..." What a delight on a Sunday morning!



"The Living Tradition We Share"

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KATIE'S BAY VIEW

Dear Starr King Folk,

The words that preface our list of sources begins thusly, "The living tradition we share draws from many sources." Not only does it draw from these multiple brilliant and varied sources, it offers us strength, it continues on long past our time here, it trusts in the wisdom of the shared community.

And so it's time for me to go. I will be at worship on June 1st, but spending some of that time with the children leading them in a goodbye yoga class. On June 8th, I'll lead my last service with you, releasing the covenant we entered into April of 1999, when you first called me to be your minister. I will be spending the following week in the office cleaning out and up and saying some final goodbyes. The last week of June I will be attending Ministry Days and General Assembly that take place this year in Rhode Island. In July I'll be taking my accrued vacation. So I will say goodbye before I go.

I will say goodbye to you here, and I'll say it again in my "Weekly Update" mid June. I'll not be seeing your posts on Facebook and you likely won't see mine. It might feel a bit harsh to cut off the connection this way. But this is standard "best practices" in ministerial transitions. It allows for health and wholeness for all involved. It doesn't mean that our connection has been any less important or meaningful. Starr King UU Church has changed my life and you will always, always be a part of me.

Blessings and more,
Katie



Congratulations to the **RAYS** on their new grandchild

Congrats on **PAT KELLNER'S** 92nd birthday

Condolences to **BARRY LEECH**, whose father, Bernie, past member of the church, died recently



Your 2013-2014 Board of Trustees



June is the end of the church year; we close our financial books at the end of the month, determining if there will be a surplus or deficit from this past year's budget. The entire board is thankful for the work of our finance committee, most of all Frank Satterwhite, who has served as our Treasurer for the past 10 years. We say thank you to all our departing board members this month which include Frank Satterwhite, Mary Swain, Nancy Harrison, and Wendy Robertson for their dedication and inspiration. We make room for our incoming board members, Marilyn Mosher (Treasurer), Heidi Green, Kirk Klausmeyer, and Wayne Bennion; members at large. All outgoing and incoming board members are invited to our June meeting to overlap the order of business, and review the liaisons committee work.

I wish to thank Diane Meyerson, and her crew of helpers that made our service auction a huge success, bringing in a total of \$13,500 to date. If you would like to purchase any of the items still available, please contact Diane Meyerson.

The board has been working with the R.E. Council, along with Rev. Darcy Baxter to create a job description for our next Director of Religious Exploration (DRE). The written advertisement will go out the first week in June to area Universities, including Starr King School for Ministry, Cal State Hayward, and Mills College. The DRE search committee will be served by members of the R.E. Council and board of trustees to interview and hire the next DRE.

We bid farewell to Rev. Katie, Roy King Jr, and Rev. Darcy Baxter this month. It's been a joy to have the support and knowledge of this dynamic team, at the same time feeling so many emotions of grief, sadness, gratitude, and love. They will spread their wings now to new ventures, and we wish them the best in their new journeys.

*In Fellowship
Colleen Dino
Board President*



Endings and Beginnings

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I Starr King UU Church for ferrying me across this marvelous sea—getting to know each of you, being inspired by your journeys and feeling supported in my ministerial growth. I cannot believe that I could have experienced any better internship than this precious one you gave me. You are a bountiful and ever fruitful gift and will remain in my heart for all time.

Shanti **Shalom** **Peace,** *Roy*



June Birthdays



1 ROBIN FINK

18 DIANE MEYERSON

9 AMY KINNEAR

24 DAVID BAKER

11 COLLEEN DINO

24 KEITH LEWIS

16 JENS DILL





RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

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By Rev. Darcy Baxter, Dir. of Family Ministry

Dear Starr King,

This is my last newsletter column I will write to you all, Starr King Church. Thank you for such a wonderful two years of ministry together. While I am excited to begin my next chapter as a full time parish minister, I am sad to be leaving Starr King. In Anne Morrow Lindbergh's book *Gift from the Sea*, she talks about wanting to live a life "in grace." She writes: "I believe most people are aware of periods in their lives when they seem to be "in grace" and other periods when they feel "out of grace," even though they may use different words to describe these states. In the first happy condition, one seems to carry all one's tasks before one lightly, as if borne along on a great tide; and in the opposite state one can hardly tie a shoe-string."

Reflecting on my time at Starr King, I can say that we have done the work of Family Ministry and Religious exploration together, in a state of grace-- things have seemed to flow. But why and how did this grace happen? Why did things seem to flow? While some of the ingredients to our synergy these past two years is pure luck, I think some of our 'ingredients for grace' had to do with a willingness to be our authentic selves with one another. And to be authentic, to show our full humanity, feels awfully vulnerable. Why are humans the most dangerous animals? Because in order to live the fulfilling lives we strive for, we must risk deep human relationship. And human relationships are not predictable, nor do they last forever. Like tides of the ocean, relationships ebb and flow. When it is time to say goodbye, we grieve. And we must grieve in a broader culture that does not create space for grief. We must grieve in a culture which tries to make all that feels good last forever. But church is the place where it is okay to say goodbye. Where it is okay to create space for the natural and healthy ebbs and flows. Humans are the most dangerous kind of animals because how deeply we can feel and how deeply we are connected. (Okay, and yes, we are the most dangerous because of how much carbon dioxide we pump into the atmosphere-- I don't want to be TOO poetic).

Thank you for two years of deep and authentic shared ministry together. This congregation ordained me into ministry and you will always hold a particular place in my heart and in my ministry.

Goodbye and peace be with you on this next chapter of your, Starr King Church's, Unitarian Universalist ministry.

Blessings,
Rev. Darcy

Upcoming Events For June 2014

June 1: Celebration and Farewell Potluck Luncheon for our intern

minister Roy King will be held on Sunday, June 1st, immediately after worship. The sign-up sheet to bring food is in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join us to thank Roy for his two years of service to the congregation.

Contact person - Heidi Green as chair of the Intern Committee.

June 8: Say Goodbye All are invited to celebrate the completion of service of our parish minister, Rev. Katie Kandarian-Morris following worship (6/8). We'll picnic and BBQ together. Please bring a dish to share - grilled meats and cake will be provided. Contact person - Sherry Thomas

June 15: Darcy's Last Day We will celebrate with a special dessert in honor of Darcy after the service.

ON GOING FUN AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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CHURCH BOOKSTORE The bookstore is open every 3rd. Sunday after the service

DRUM CIRCLE Meets the 1st. Friday from 7-9 PM. Come enjoy a fun and spiritual evening

EVENING MEDITATION Meets every Wednesday from 7- 8 PM. Come practice meditation and reap its benefits.

STARR KING ELDERBERRIES Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 12:00 noon. Bring your lunch and enjoy learning about and discussing topics of particular interest to our elder (self-identified) members

FILM GROUP The film group will meet Saturday, June 21 at 7:00 at Stuart Fink's home "UNDERTAKING BETTY" (2002) Quirky British Comedy About A Married Woman And An Undertaker Plotting To Fake Her Death; Starring Brenda Blethyn, Alfred Molina, Christopher Walken And Naomi Watts (Rated Pg-13). Let Stuart know if you are coming and please bring a movie snack to share.

JUSTICE ALLIANCE Meets on the second Sunday after the service, at 12:00 PM in the conference room. All are welcome.

HOSPITALITY & MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE Meets on the third Sunday of each month at 12:00 P.M.

MORNING DISCOVERY Meets in the fellowship hall from 10 to 11:15 A.M. on first and third Wednesdays. All are welcome to join us to explore community and spirituality discussion and shared silence .

SKIFFLE Meets the 4th. Thursday of the month from 7 to 9 PM. If you're considering coming for the first time best to give Bob Meyerson a call at 510 581 2037.

SKIT Improv. group meets in the Sanctuary on the 2nd. Thursday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

STARR KING CHOIR Meets every Sunday from 9:15 to 10:15 am before the service. For information, please contact Jo Murdach jo71murdach@yahoo.com

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