

The Flaming Chalice

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Please see <u>our website</u> for an updated listing of our upcoming worship services.



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May Highlights

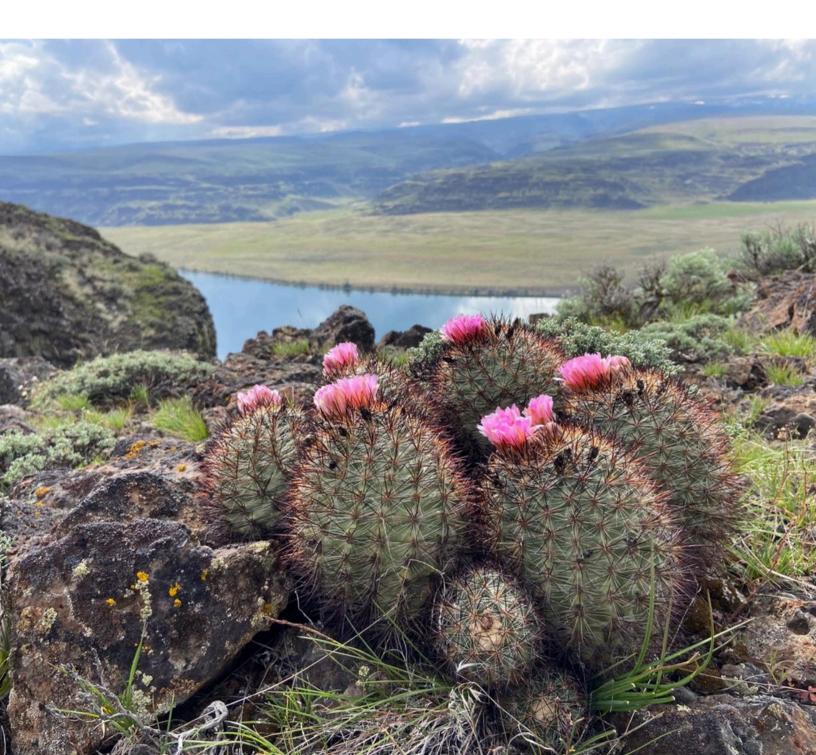




From the Minister

Rev. Elizabeth Sollie

I've got nothing. I think I have said all I have to say for this year. I am busy listening instead. So take the three minutes you would have used to read my contribution to the newsletter and dance, or just close your eyes and be peaceful, or count your blessings. Unclench your brain, let your shoulders down, take a breath and just go on ahead and be happy for a few minutes. Why not?



Announcements

Forum Poll Results

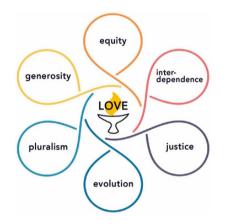
On May 19 our General Assembly delegates, René and Diane, held a congregational forum to get feedback from church members on their upcoming vote. Many of you took part in a poll that will guide their votes. Here are the results:

In favor of the new proposed Article II: **16 Yes**, 6 No, 4 Abstain

In favor of amendment to add Peace value: 4 Yes, **14 No**, 3 Abstain

In favor of amendment to add Reason value: 2 Yes, **14 No**, 2 Abstain

In favor of amendment to change wording in Equity value: **18 Yes**, 0 No, 3 Abstain



In favor of amendment to add sentence to Equity value:

17 Yes, 2 No, 2 Abstain

What do those results mean? What questions were addressed at the meeting? What happens now? You can read more on our website - and check out some of the frequently asked questions on the Unitarian Universalist Association's <u>website</u>.

Choir

Choir is on break for the summer and will resume rehearsals in September. In the meantime, everyone is welcome to join the informal Sunday morning sing-alongs at 9:30am before worship.

Pride Prom!

June 15th, 7pm Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward

Starr King has supported Pride Prom (aka Gay Prom) for 27 years. Very exciting: this year we will have a special advertisement for the church in the program!

If you are interested in volunteering as a greeter for the prom this year, please let Emily know: <u>office@starrking.org</u>

Announcements (cont.)

New Book Club

Church member Terry Hunt is interested in starting a book club to meet once a month, for fiction and non-fiction.

"There are many avid readers amongst us, and we've had very successful book clubs in the past at Starr King.

Please contact me at *hunt.terence@gmail.com*, if interested."

Building the Beloved Community: Now What?

A congregational meeting on our anti-racism work June 9, 12-1:30 after the worship service



Starr King is on a journey to help bring about the Beloved Community. Rev. Ruth Rinehart helped the congregation to name and examine some parts of that journey.

Now what? We will engage in a ritual to let go of what has been holding us back, share what Beloved Community means to us, and then brainstorm where we want to go from here. We will leave with at least one next step.

Childcare is available. Please let <u>Tanya</u> know if you are interested by June 3.

Newcomers Lunch

June 16th

If you are still feeling new to Starr King UU Church, please join us for a light lunch on June 16th after the service. We will get to know one another a little better!

Children are welcome, but childcare is also available. Please let <u>Tanya</u> know by June 10 if you'd like to take her up on that offer.

Housing Needed

We had a request come through our website from a woman looking to rent a room in a home. She was friends with Wendy Gaylord and that is what brought us to mind. Her trailer home park of 18 years has been acquired by new owners, forcing her to move out. She is on a fixed income and in need of something affordable. If you have a room to let or know of someone who does, contact Emily at <u>office@starrking.org</u>.

Announcements

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27th Annual FESCO Shuffle

June 8th Moreau Catholic High School, Hayward Fight Family Homelessness

Get ready to lace up your sneakers and join FESCO (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition) for a fun-filled day of music, dancing, and community spirit. Whether you're a seasoned shuffler or new to the game, this event is perfect for everyone. So grab your friends and family, and go shuffle with FESCO!



Ongoing Activities

- Masks are optional.
- Eating & drinking are permitted in the Fellowship Hall
- Singing without masks is permitted
- Encourage gathering in all indoor and outdoor settings.

We will continue to provide:

- Virtual worship as an option as well as for meetings
- KN95 mask for your use

Evening Meditation	Every Wednesday 7:00-8:30 pm, on Zoom. Open to all. Visitors welcome. Contact: Diane Meyerson
Board Meeting	First Tuesday of the month, 4:00–5:30 pm on Zoom. Open to all. Contact: Mileva Saulo Lewis
Peace and Justice Action Team	Second Sunday of the month after worship (after a 15-20 minute break) in a hybrid model via Zoom using the same link as the service.
Starr King Singers	Sundays before the service from 9:30-10:00 a.m.
Starr King Choir	Every Monday 7:15-8:15 pm. (Paused June–August) Contact: Linli Wang at <u>music@starrking.org</u>
Small Group Ministry	Contact: Terry Hunt (<u>hunt.terence@gmail.com</u>) or Mileva Saulo Lewis (<u>milevalewis@comcast.net</u>)
Adult RE	Check our website for upcoming opportunities: <u>https://starrking.org/adult-programs</u>