

LCUUF NEWS OF THE WEEK



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Nov. 5 - 12, 2023

Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 10:30am CST. We are located at 261 Hidalgo, Riberas Del Pilar. To participate on Zoom use this link:

[Sunday Service Zoom Link](#)

Click Here To Send Your Joys And Sorrows For Sunday Nov. 5, 2023

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THIS WEEK: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2023

"Building The Beloved Community"

Presenter: Al Castleman

Service Associates: Lynn Cleek

The term "**beloved community**" was popularized by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in the context of the civil rights movement. It describes a community characterized by love, compassion, justice, and mutual support among its members, and emphasizes the importance of empathy, understanding, and a



commitment to the well-being of each person. What inner strengths and skills can we develop and what physical resources are needed to continue creating a beloved community of our fellowship? How far-reaching the rewards? This Sunday begins our two-month Pledge Drive.

**NEXT WEEK:
Sunday November
12th
"Into The Neutral
Zone"**



**Sermon: Rev. Matt Alspaugh
Tim Boeve: Service Associates**

"Building The Beloved Community"

Beginning November 5th, we will begin our annual pledge campaign..."Building The Beloved Community" and the image on the right will be used to report progress, rather than a thermometer. The reason for choosing this image is to bring forward the idea of participation rather than exclusively talking "money." This image was created in 2022 by 12-year-old Anja Rozen, a 13-year-old primary school student in Slovenia. She was chosen from 600,000 children around the world to create a piece of art to show what peace looks like. Here is her explanation:

"My drawing represents the land that binds us and unites us. Humans are woven together. If someone gives up, others fall. We are all connected to our planet and to each other, but unfortunately we are little aware of it. We are woven together. Other people weave alongside me my own story; and I weave theirs," said the young designer.



The pledge campaign will run from November 5th through December 31st. As in past years, we will hear LCUUF testimonies from members about why they belong to our community and what it has meant them. We will also be sharing those testimonials through "News of the Week" as well as updates on campaign progress. Be sure to attend in person or online Sunday November 5th for a complete presentation of how we can come together and build the community we cherish.



New Member Service: Sunday December 12th, 2023

The next LCUUF new membership orientation will be Saturday, December 9th at 1pm at the Fellowship. New member ceremony will be Sunday, December 10th

during the service. Please sign up at the Welcome table or send an email to Paula Odom at paulaodom01@gmail.com



Thank you all for your generosity.

**During the Month of
October, LCUUF contributed
\$484.85 to Poco a Poco by Pay-Pal
via LCS Charities**

Celebration of Life for Kathy Koches: November 11, 2023

A Celebration of Life service in honor of Kathy Koches will be held at LCUUF on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 2PM CST. There will be a Reception following the service.



Please use the following ZOOM link for the service.

[Join the Celebration on Zoom](#)

Remembering Francisco Urzua

Francisco Urzua's life was honored with an altar on the Ajijic Plaza for the annual Day of the Dead celebrations. Thank you to Lorna Dean, Paula Odem, Kaya Reed, Ellen Karansky and Colleen Beery who created a beautiful display recognizing Francisco's life. Janice Kimball posed for a photo at the altar and expressed her gratitude for the beautiful work commemorating his life.





LCUUF Social Action Team To Host Interfaith Peace Event

The Social Action Team is hosting an Interfaith event to promote Peace, Light and Love. All are welcome!

When

Friday Dec 8, 2023 · 5pm – 6pm
(Eastern Time - New York)

Location

Pranzo, Boulevard Ajijic 105, Floresta,
45900 Ajijic, Jal., Mexico



November Humanist Discussion Group Topic

The Humanist Discussion Group will meet **Wednesday, Nov 22, 2023** at 11 am Via Zoom. Remember we are on Central Standard Time . The zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86577912863>

The Middle East is a real quagmire of

relationships. It is further complicated by the raid by Hamas on Israel on Oct. 7 and all the neighboring States possibly stopping the Israel/Saudi detente. The people of Palestine are not loved by their Arab neighbors creating refugee problems of acceptance. The real losers are the civilians on both sides caught in the political middle. The history of the conflict goes back centuries. We will take a look at its antecedents and history, current affairs, and regional and global implications.



Missed Sunday's service? Here is the video recording for Sunday October 29th

Weekly and Monthly Events

Click on the + for info and links

Humanist Discussion Group-Wed Nov. 22
11am

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Wednesday November 22. 11:00am on Zoom (CST)

Topic: The Middle East is a real quagmire of relationships. It is further complicated by the raid by Hamas on Israel on Oct. 7 and all the neighboring States possibly stopping the Israel/Saudi detente. The people of Palestine are not loved by their Arab neighbors creating refugee problems of acceptance. The real losers are the civilians on both sides caught in the political middle. The history of the conflict goes back centuries. We will take a look at its antecedents and history, current affairs, and regional and global implications. If you wish to be added to the reading list contact Bob Koches at bobkoches@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)

Zoom Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Mondays +

12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact CLuriaARNP@gmail.com for topics

Zoom Meditation Lessons: 3-4pm Thursdays +

Richard Clarke, Facilitator. To find out more contact: riberasmeditation@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)

Coffee "Above" The Plaza: Thursdays 10:30am +

Meet other UUs for weekly at Los Gringos (above the ice cream place) on the Plaza. Bring a friend!

Open Zoom Conversation: Fridays 2pm +

Conversation is open to all questions. Email Richard Clarke at arunachalakindle@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)



November Birthdays!

John Cleveland 11/16

Christy Caldwell 11/21

Dave Miller 11/22

Norman Woods 11/24

D'Vorah Kelley 11/24

Candy Fields 11/25

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