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Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 12:00pm CST. We are located at St. Andrews Anglican Church, San Lucas 19, Riberas del Pilar.

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UPCOMING SERVICES



Next Week: [September 29](#)

"What is Climate Justice?"

This Week: September 22

"What Does A Good Day Look Like"

Rev. Matt Alspaugh, Presenter
Ted Fahy, Service Associate

Surgeon Atul Gawande is the writer of the book "Being Mortal." He learned, he says, too late in his career as a physician, that the central question for his patients was "What Does a Good Day Look Like?" Not questions about fighting, or fixing, or when to give up. We'll explore this question, "What Does a Good Day Look Like?," not just in the context of end of life, but in the larger sense of how our good days define a good life. There will also be a New Member Welcome Ceremony during this service.

Bob Koches, Presenter
Tim Boeve, Service Associate

Explore the complexities of climate justice from the unique perspective of immigrants in Mexico, where the impacts of global warming are increasingly visible. This sermon will delve into the ethical responsibilities we carry as privileged residents in a country facing significant environmental challenges. We'll reflect on how our Unitarian Universalist principles can guide us in addressing climate injustices while navigating our roles as guests in a nation grappling with the consequences of global environmental change.



New Member Orientation and Membership Ceremony Sep 21 and 22

**Interested in becoming a member
of LCUUF?**

We will have a new member orientation on Saturday, September

21st, 11-12 in the St Andrew's garden. The Membership ceremony will be Sunday, September 22nd, during the service. Please sign up at the Welcome table or email Paula Odom at paulaodom01@gmail.com if you are interested.



News From The Board, by Ted Fahy

September 2024 Board Meeting Report

The LCUUF Board met on September 16, 2024 – ¡El día de Independencia de México!

Summer Doldrums - There was no Board report in August. This is a summary of August and September.

Treasurer's Update

Financial reports from August and September are good. However, Share the Basket contributions have been down significantly from April through August compared to the last two years. The Board has decided to contribute 100% of the STB offerings to the charities we help support.

Financial planning for the fiscal year 2025 begins in October. LCUUF, St. Andrew's and Bare Stage are discussing the installation of air conditioning before the 2025 hot season. Cost would be equally split. If all agree on its necessity, it will be a significant one-time expenditure included in the budgetary projections.

2024 Annual General Meeting Protocolization Update - Kriss Gang

successfully completed the Protocolization for 2024, an official record of the board composition.

This is essential for current board members to have bank account access.

Workshops

The 3-part Transformative Worship Services workshop concludes Sept 21. It has offered a deep dive into what makes worship transformative and meaningful and has been well attended.

The Social Action and Sunday Service teams are offering 2 Sunday Services and one workshop centering on "Climate Justice Revival". They hope to engage the Jewish and St. Andrew communities in the process.

Fellowship Activities

The Circle Suppers were held in July/August and were well attended.

LCUUF is initiating a discussion group process called the Chalice Circle. Each Circle is a small group of people, including 2 facilitators. They gather once a month for a year to share from their lives and experiences. The support material is from Soul Matters, a program embracing the core UU value of Liberating Love. There will be 4 groups, and to date 45 people have signed up. If you are interested, contact Paula Odom to be put on a waiting list.

An interfaith Thanksgiving dinner is under discussion with the Jewish, St Andrew's and UUs. Details to be announced later.

Finally, there was a mid-year Board Goals Review meeting on Sept 11 to review and discuss:

- 1) Ways to increase the visibility of LCUUF
- 2) Future support staff needs;
- 3) Ministerial succession
- 4) Future board recruitment; and
- 5) A congregational survey.

More on these later!

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Fahy
Interim Vice President

LCUUF Climate Justice Revival

Join us for three upcoming events focused on Climate Justice here in our Lakeside communities.



September 29: Sunday Service: 12:00 – 1:00 “What is Climate Justice?”

Bob Koches, Presenter. We will begin to explore the complexities of climate justice from the unique perspective of immigrants in Mexico, where the impacts of global warming are increasingly visible.

October 13: 1:00-4:00 “Putting Love at the Center of Climate Justice”

Presenters: Rev. D’Vorah Kelley, Dee Dee Camhi, Catherine Luria

Revival Worship: 1:00-2:00

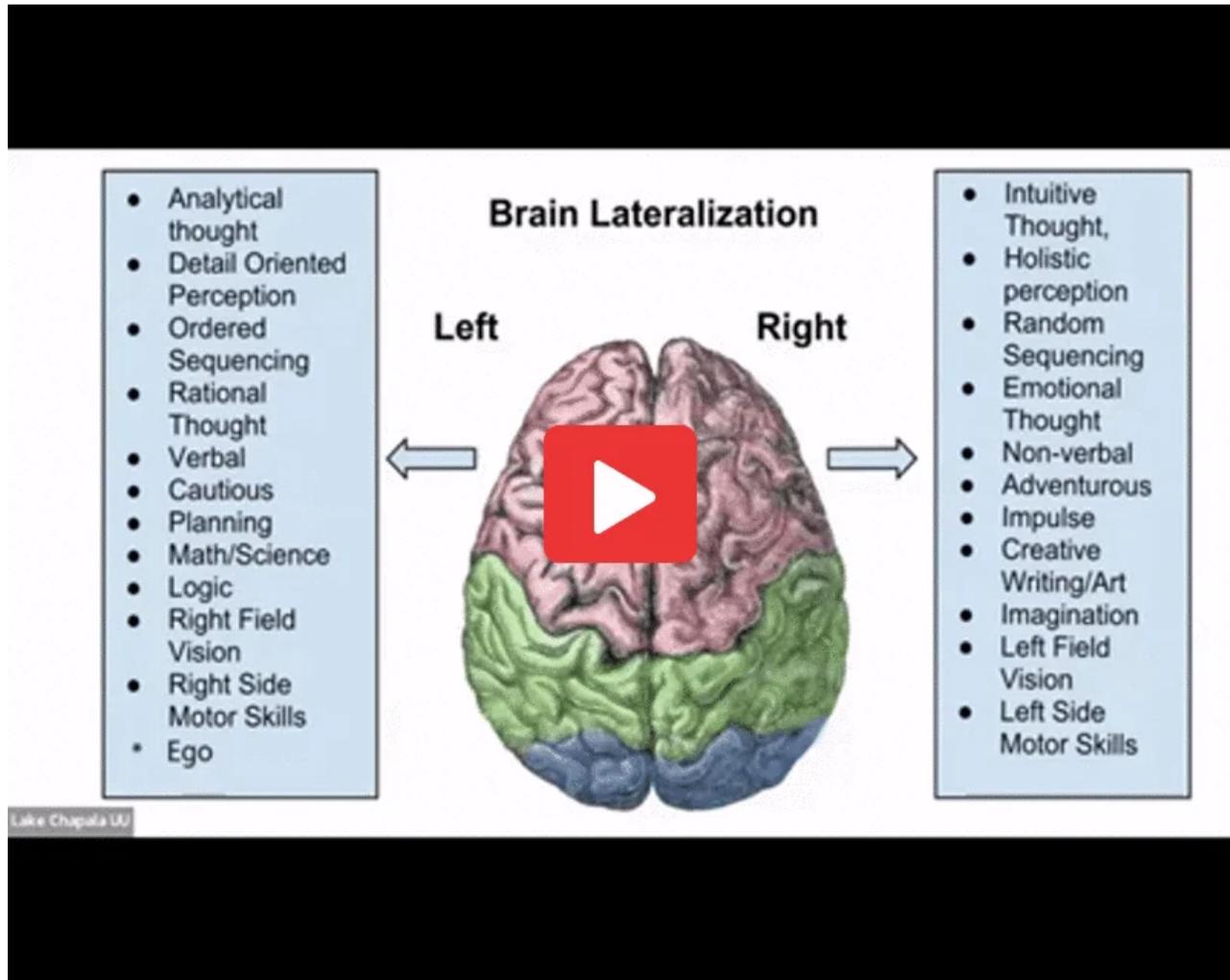
Revival Workshop: 2:15-4:00

Through celebratory worship and conversations, we will begin to understand climate justice as it pertains to our Lakeside communities. Sunday, our worship will be focused on Love at the Center of Climate Justice. Following worship,

we'll engage in a workshop to identify opportunities for climate justice in our unique context.

Please RSVP for the interactive workshop to:

dvorahc.kelley@gmail.com



**Video Recording for Sunday September
15 "Our Four Brains"**

September Humanist Zoom Discussion



The Humanist Discussion Group will meet **Wednesday September 25th** at 11am Via Zoom.

September Topic:

Join us for an engaging humanist discussion on climate justice, where we'll explore the critical question: "What is climate justice?" We'll examine how environmental challenges intersect with human rights, social equity, and global

cooperation, considering the ethical dimensions of climate change and our collective responsibility.

If you want to be added to the reading list email Bob Koches at bobkoches@gmail.com

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Monthly Women's Group Brown Bag Lunch!

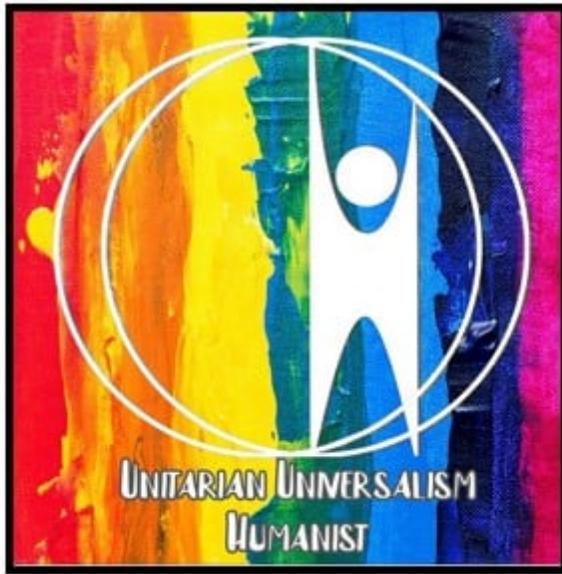
In addition to the 1st & 3rd Mon ZOOM women's group meetings we are adding an IN PERSON BROWN BAG LUNCH at 12N on the 4th Monday. This will be held at Trudy Crippen's house. Please RSVP to Trudy if you plan to attend.

trudycrippen@gmail.com

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY EVENTS
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Humanist Discussion Group-Wed Sep 25 11am

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Wednesday Sep 25 11:00am on Zoom (CST)

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Women's Group: 1st , 3rd and 4th Mondays

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12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact CLuriaARNP@gmail.com for topics. Now you can join us for a brown bag lunch on the 4th Monday of each month at Trudy Crippen's house. RSVP Trudy if you plan to attend. trudycrippen@gmail.com

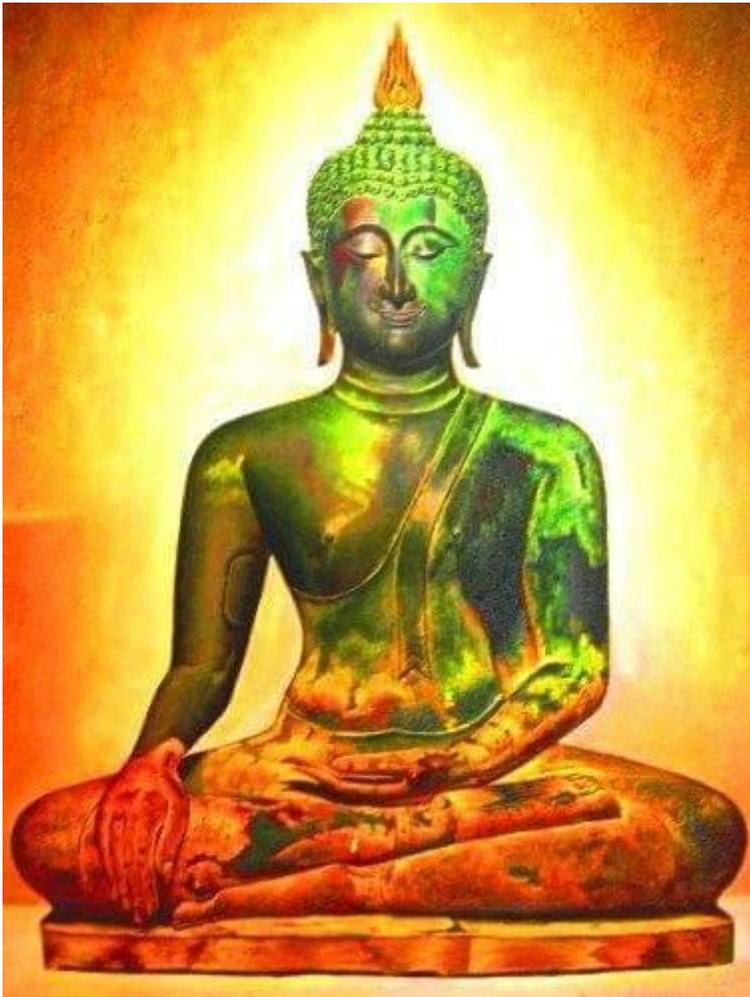
Healing Circle Monthly: 2nd Thursday 4pm

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This is a new group gathering to focus on healing, peace and well-being. Our methods employ Reiki distance healing. This is group, not individual work. All LCUUF members are welcome regardless of experience. Facilitators: D'Vorah Kelley and Pamela Cucinell, Reiki Practitioners

Zoom Meditation Lessons: 3-4pm Thursdays +



Mindfulness is the fountain of youth for the mind. It enhances clarity, boosts mood, and keeps stress at bay. Meditation not only helps you age gracefully but also lets you savor life's every moment. Richard Clarke, Facilitator. To find out more contact: riberasmeditation@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)

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

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

Open Zoom Conversation: Fridays 2pm

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

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Annie Morris, September 25

Lori Fjelsted September 26

Ted Fahy September 29

Nancy Jordon-Zanot September 30

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