

Calendar for April 1 — April 15 , 2009

Wed. 4/1	2:00 p.m.	QUUilters	Awareness
	5:30 p.m.	Desert Chorale	Holland
	6:30 p.m.	*Nic. Anon	Servetus
Thurs. 4/2	1:00 p.m.	Listening for the Spirit	Awareness
	5:30 p.m.	Empowerment Team	Minister's Office
	6:30 p.m.	Building and Grounds	Servetus
	7:00 p.m.	Transition Team	AFD
Fri. 4/3	6:00 p.m.	First Friday	Blackwell
Sat. 4/4	10:30 a.m.	*Al-Anon	Servetus
Sun. 4/5	9:30 a.m.	Exploring Spirituality as a UU	Servetus
	9:30 a.m.	Family Singers	Awareness
	12:15 p.m.	Town Hall	Holland
Mon. 4/6	12:00 p.m.	Bridge	Awareness
	7:00 p.m.	Discovering A Sense of Place	Awareness
Tues. 4/7	9:00 a.m.	Art Gallery Meeting	Holland
	10:30 a.m.	Alliance Board	Goddard
	6:30 p.m.	Wellspring	Emerson
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee	Servetus
Wed. 4/8	5:30 p.m.	Desert Chorale	Holland
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Group	Awareness
Thurs. 4/9	1:00 p.m.	Listening for the Spirit	Awareness
	6:30 p.m.	Program Council Steering	Awareness
	6:30 p.m.	Bi Task Force	Servetus
Sat. 4/11	9:00 a.m.	Make 'n Take Craft Day	Goddard
	6:00 p.m.	Saturday Salon	Goddard
Sun. 4/12	9:30 a.m.	Exploring Spirituality as a UU	Servetus
	9:30 a.m.	Family Singers	Awareness
	12:15 p.m.	Artist of the Month Reception	Holland
	12:30 p.m.	Covenant Circles	Servetus/Awareness
	5:00 p.m.	Second Sunday Music Jam	Goddard
Mon. 4/13	12:00 p.m.	Bridge	Awareness
	7:00 p.m.	Covenant Circle	Emerson
Tues. 4/14	11:00 a.m.	Alliance	Goddard
	6:30 p.m.	Green Group	Goddard
	7:00 p.m.	Balkan Peace	Servetus
	7:00 p.m.	Committee on Ministry	Awareness
	7:00 p.m.	Covenant Circle	Emerson
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	5:30 p.m.	Desert Chorale	Holland
		* denotes outside group	

District Assembly

Now is the time to register for **District Assembly, May 1-3**, in Mesa, AZ. The registration can be submitted online by going to

www.pswduua.org/pages/district-assembly.php.

You may also print the registration form and mail it with your payment to:

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2052 Norma St.

Oxnard, CA 93036-2711

You make hotel reservations by calling the Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa at 1-480-833-5555. Be sure to ask for the UU group rate. The room rate is the same as last year: \$119 plus tax for two people in a room.

Some non-smoking home hospitality is available on a first-come basis. The cost is a \$40 per person donation which will go to your host's UU congregation. Contact Heidi Parmenter at 602-840-8400 or administrator@phoenixuu.org to make reservations.

If you are interested in finding a roommate, car pooling or getting a group together to rent a van, please sign up on the form posted on the bulletin board in Goddard Hall.

With District Assembly so close by this year, let's make a good showing from UUCT!

General Assembly

June 24, 2009 - June 28, 2009

Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, UT

To register, go to www.uua.org

Worship Associates Training **Saturday, April 25 9:00 – 11:30 Awareness Room**

A Worship Associates program is a special kind of shared ministry, in which the minister and associates challenge each other to offer the richest, most diverse, most thoughtful and inspired worship they are capable of. If you would like to become part of this exciting and satisfying ministry, or if you are just curious, you are invited to attend a short training session. You will learn more about what a Worship Associates program is and gain some experience in the craft of worship planning.

Register at Adult Faith Development in Goddard. There is no fee for participation, but you will be asked to bring a favorite poem, story, or song.

To UUCT Congregation:

The ad hoc committee charged with writing a draft of the UUCT Covenant of Right Relations is pleased to present that draft to you, the members and staff of UUCT. In drafting the covenant we were guided by the input we received during and after the recent workshop led by the Rev. Stephanie Etzbach-Dale and by a review of covenants from many other congregations. We present a covenant that is shorter and less proscriptive and we believe more attuned to our own congregation than the one that was given as an example to the participants in the workshop.

We ask you for input on this draft, most specifically please let us know if we have left out anything critical. We will also be manning a table in Goddard, if you would rather give us your feedback in person.

Please send suggestions and comments to hobrien@ultrasw.com, leave them in the church office in the Committee on Ministry mailbox or give them to us at the table in Goddard. A copy of the draft is available online on our website. Hard copies are available to be picked up in the office.

Thank you for your help,
Mark Henson, Helen O'Brien and Linda Selsor

From the Minister

In case you've been wondering, the economy is having an impact on our congregation. It seems that every day I learn of someone in the congregation who has lost a job, or had hours reduced, or put on unpaid vacation, or forced into early retirement. Then there are those who have gone back to paid work during retirement years in order to make ends meet. These are hard times for many.

We're beginning to feel the impact on income here at church, which is down by about 9 percent. One response is to make changes to the way you receive your Tucsonarian and Transforming Times. Beginning on April 29, these publications will go out only by email, unless otherwise requested. This change will not affect the information you receive, only the way that you receive it. The savings to the church is about \$1,824 annually.

Since the flow of information is vital to a healthy congregation, we want to make this as seamless a transition as possible. We are asking that everyone, no matter how you presently receive the newsletter, please fill out the form inserted with your newsletter and return it back to us by April 26th.

During these days of uncertainty, there is one thing I know for sure: we will get through this together.

In faith,
Diane