

Sunday Services

October 2 – 10:30 a.m. Collaborations: Poets and Visual Artists

A group of local poets and visual artists, including several HUUF members, have created a unique collaboration of poetry and art. Using topics ranging from sunsets to bathtubs and Kenya to Fern Canyon, these partners have merged their talents to create syntheses that enhance both media. The poets will read their work, and the artists will discuss their process. They included Karen Knapp, Suzanne Moore, Ruth Mountaingrove, Vince Peloso, Pat McCutcheon and Cheryl Rau. Several members of the group will also be HUUF's featured artists for October and November, and their work will be displayed on the sanctuary walls.

October 9 – 10:30 a.m. Practicing Love – Jan Ögren

Unitarian Universalists often proclaim that “love is the doctrine of our church” and that we are “standing on the side of love,” but what does that mean and how do we live it? Love has become an overused concept and an underused practice, says our speaker. She will explore the word, its definitions, myths, mis-beliefs and why it is important to revisit our views of love now. Jan Ögren is the author of “Dividing Worlds.” She is a licensed psychotherapist and a lifelong UU.

October 16 – 10:30 a.m. The Power of Our Meals – Ursula Osborne, Martha Devine, Danielle Stubblefield

The Ethical Eating Statement of Conscience that was approved by the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association in Charlotte, N.C., in June will be featured, along with parts of Will Tuttle's film, “Living In Harmony With All Life.” The program will be presented by three HUUF members: Ursula Osborne will summarize the Ethical Eating statement. Martha Devine, a vegan activist and former business owner of Soy Devine, will present selections of Tuttle's film. Danielle Stubblefield will discuss how communities work to create sustainable and equitable food systems. A community food systems analyst at the California Center for Rural Policy at HSU, Danielle plans to cite local and national examples.

October 23 – 10:30 a.m. Sharing the Harvest: Stone Soup – Berti Welty & Suzanne Moore

Food nourishes our bodies and souls. Breaking bread together is an ancient custom in every culture, a custom which binds us in community. Yet in our society we often rush through meals. Seldom do we think of where our food comes from and who grew or prepared it. How can we become more thankful as we partake of Earth's bounty? What does it mean, in our age of isolation, to share the harvest? We will explore these topics and feed each other the staff of life. We will make Stone Soup, consisting of ingredients members bring. Before the service, each family is invited to bring to the kitchen one sliced vegetarian item for the soup, which will cook during the service. Afterward we will eat our Stone Soup with bread.

October 30 – 10:30 a.m. Skits for new ideas – Social Action Committee

In order to increase the involvement of members and friends of the Humboldt Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, SAC asked for suggestions in mid-October concerning the issues that it should undertake. These suggestions have been tabulated and will be presented in skits by committee members under the direction of Jenny Cranston, retired professor of the theater arts and women's studies departments at HSU. After the service people will be asked to vote for those areas they want SAC to pursue and also to give suggestions as to how to proceed.