



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Los Gatos

What's Happening

open minds, loving hearts, serving hands

November 25 - December 9

Sunday Service new start time of **11:00 AM** (instead of 10:30 AM) beginning **this Sunday, Nov. 28**

November 28, Sunday, 11am-12pm, In-person & Zoom

What Happened to Our Thanksgiving Hosts? The Wampanoag and Cultural Resurrection

We all know the Thanksgiving story: European pilgrims, grateful for surviving the first year in the new world, breaking bread with the Native Americans who had showed them how to survive. Then the story gets ugly and murky, and only the Europeans emerge in the historical narrative. But the Wampanoag – the indigenous people who shared that original Thanksgiving – are still here, as are hundreds of other Native American Nations.

Join us to view and discuss a short documentary on the efforts of the Wampanoag to rediscover their language and to resurrect their culture. Truly something to be grateful for! –Karen O'Brien, Service Lay Leader

[Guidelines](#) for in-person attendance are online and posted throughout the building. To join us remotely: Zoom online/phone-in [details](#) (PDF). Zoom details are also on our [website](#) and [calendar](#). Contact Service Associate Robb Stolberg to plan UUFLG special announcements, etc.

We give thanks for those who help make this Sunday a special time!

Our invaluable volunteers include service lay leader [Karen O'Brien](#), sound technician [Julie Matthews](#), Zoom host [Linda Osborne](#), greeters [Cindy Giesing](#) and [Albert James](#), social-hour snacks [Christina Morgan](#), and cleanup [Everyone](#) pitching in in remembrance of Ellen Hill who spent hundreds of hours cleaning up after social hour.

Our talented staff* includes pianist and singer [Dave Coldren](#), religious exploration director [Colleen Hamilton](#), and religious exploration lead [Arthur Piersol](#).

*Financial support of UUFLG makes possible their paid positions. Thank you!

To share joys and concerns, please send an email to joysandconcerns@uuflg.org with a brief message anytime during the week and before the service begins. You may also share live during the service.

Children & Youth Religious Exploration (CYRE) – In-person RE catering to children 11 and under is held by the garden. Sign-in at the picnic table before the service. Youth are welcome to join us outdoors or attend the service. Area UU youth gather at the Los

Gatos Fellowship once a month on Sunday afternoons. Contact Director of Religious Exploration [Colleen Hamilton](#) for more information.

Children and youth may visit the [UUFLG Kids YouTube Channel](#) to view videos that entertain or enlighten. To post an original video to our channel or recommend another YouTube video to our playlist, email the file or a link to [Colleen](#).



Retired UU Men

Thursdays, 1-2:30pm, check with Harry Campbell if the upcoming meeting is in-person or via Zoom



Meditation Class/Practice

12/5, 12/12 & 12/19, Sunday, 12:45-1:30pm, In-person



CYRE Committee

12/5, Sunday, 5-6pm, Zoom



Makers Meetup

12/6, Monday, 12-2pm, In-person



Membership Committee

12/6, Monday, 5-6pm, Zoom



Chalice Circle

12/7, Tuesday, 10-11:30am, In-person & Zoom



Finance Committee

12/7, Tuesday, 10:30am-12pm, Zoom



Board of Trustees

12/9, Thursday, 7-8:15pm, Zoom



Click for our web calendar with Zoom details of UUFLG events.

November 21 - December 5

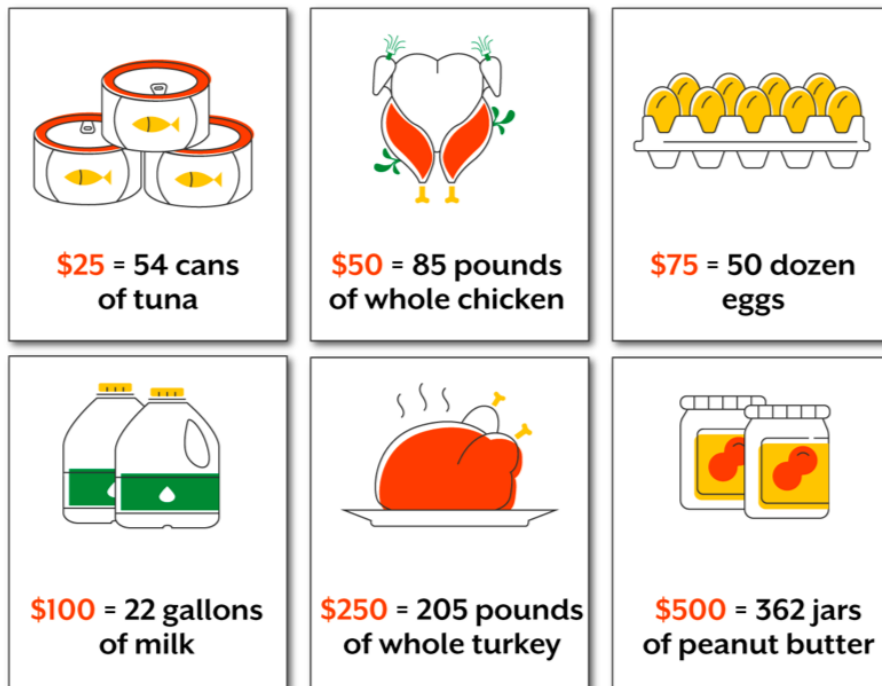
Week 2 of 3: UUFLG Drive for Second Harvest Food Bank

Due to the lingering effect of Covid closures and the high cost of rent in Silicon Valley, Second Harvest is now distributing food to 80 percent more people than before the pandemic. To meet this huge demand, Second Harvest has had to drop its well-known, but very labor intensive, food barrel program and purchase food in bulk to provide balanced meals to a much larger number of people.

UUFLG continues to collect monetary donations for Second Harvest. Place cash and checks in the collection jar in the Fellowship foyer or hand donations to a Social

Action team member. Mailing checks to the Fellowship is also an option. Please write checks to UUFLG with Second Harvest in the memo line.

Second Harvest estimates that every \$1 donated provides two meals. See the graphic below for more examples of how far your donation can go!



Editor's note: Our dear Ellen Hill, who passed away unexpectedly last Sunday, Nov. 21, provided the above announcement, which reflected her deep commitment to steadfastly serve day after day, year after year. We may like to give not only for the true need of neighbors but as a tribute to Ellen's life of service, which inspires us to carry forward the important work of social action.

[December 5 & 12, Sunday, In-person](#)

UUFLG Collective Holiday Boutique

Our UU creatives are putting together a boutique. Before and after the services on Dec. 5th and 12th, please shop and, by all means, donate any of your handmade items to benefit our Fellowship.

Items for sale: arts & crafts, baked goods, greeting cards, jewelry, art, photography, fabulous hand-crafted items.

Please consider donating! Bring items for sale as soon as you can. Baked goods are best delivered on the 5th or 12th. Looking for your favorite breads, cookies and yummiest of yums. Please price donated items on your own.

All proceeds benefit UUFLG. For questions, please contact Karen Fitch or Laurie Roberts.

[December 5 & 12, Sunday, 12:15pm, In-person](#)

Holiday Singalong

Join a holiday singalong in the west parking lot during social hour, music provided. Singing outdoors is allowed with masks and at least six feet apart so bring a comfortable mask.

December 5, Sunday, 11am-12pm, In-person & Zoom

Scripture, Science, and Appeals to Authority

The appeal to authority has always been a necessity in logic and debate. It only becomes a fallacy when it's an appeal to an inappropriate authority. As we wend our way through the wicked problems of our modern age, we need our sharpest logical tools at hand. Meanwhile, casual debaters love to accuse others of using the appeal to authority fallacy while simultaneously using it themselves. Today we'll explore where authority fits in our reasoning process, and how to use it wisely to navigate this post-fact era that seems to drag on. –Rev. Fa Jun, Minister

Covid Safety Remains a Priority

We continue to reassess our recommendations to keep everyone as safe as possible at UUFLG. One way to do this is to wear masks whenever indoors. Another way is to not sing indoors. Singing outdoors is allowed with masks and at least six feet apart. Finally, to circulate fresh air in the sanctuary, we recommend keeping open the two sets of outside doors and the hallway doors with the HVAC system running cool or warm air, depending on the weather. This may prove chilly during the winter months. Please dress accordingly to keep yourself comfortable. Zoom remains an option if this is too cumbersome. We appreciate your cooperation and support during these trying times! With love and safety, UUFLG Covid Task Force

Send announcements to comms@uuflg.org by 7 pm Tuesday for that week's issue.

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