



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Los Gatos

# What's Happening

*open minds, loving hearts, serving hands*

September 29 - October 13

October 2, Sunday, 11am-12pm, In-person

## St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals

Join us for our annual animal blessing, which happens near the traditional feast-day of St. Francis in October. Bring your well-behaved pet to participate in the service. Pictures and stuffed animals are also welcome. We'll enjoy singing together, stories, and a meditative practice of blessing the creatures of Planet Earth. This shorter service is appropriate for all ages and many species.

\* For in-person attendance, we continue to follow safety protocols detailed in our [Gathering Guidelines](#). Zoom remains an option: [direct link](#). Zoom details are on our [website](#) and [calendar](#). Contact our service associate to plan UUFLG special announcements, etc.

To share joys and concerns, please send an email to [joysandconcerns@uufllg.org](mailto:joysandconcerns@uufllg.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)** – We provide supervised activities for children from 10:45 to 12:15. Youth are welcome to participate in a variety of roles around the Fellowship.

We are grateful for our **volunteers** who make Sunday Service a special time! Our invaluable volunteers this Sunday include service associate [Mark Ditzler](#), sound technician [MJ Fitch](#), zoom host [Katie Rall](#), and snacks providers [Ellen Ostly & Cindy Giesing](#).

Please thank them in person when you get the chance!

### Upcoming Regularly Scheduled Activities



Retired UU Men

Thursdays, 1-2:30pm. Check with Harry Campbell if in-person or via Zoom



Children's Book Exchange

9/25, Sunday, 12pm-1pm



Sunday Services Committee

9/27, Tuesday, 5-6pm



CYRE Committee

10/2, Sunday, 12:30-1:30pm



Chalice Circle

10/4, Tuesday, 10-11:30am



Social Action Committee

10/9, Sunday, 12:30-1:30pm



Finance Committee

10/10, Monday, 10:30am-12pm



Great Books Discussion

10/10, Monday, 7-9pm



Board of Trustees

10/13, Thursday, 7-8:15pm



Click for our web calendar of all UUFLG events.

October 9, Sunday, 11am-12pm, In-person

## The Case Against Columbus Day

Columbus Day is not the most popular holiday in the United States, and goes more and more out of vogue each year. There's good reason for this. For years, Columbus has been a symbol of racist and colonial ideas that justify abuse and treaty-breaking with Native American peoples. In this morning's service, we'll not only take a critical look at how outdated mythology is our everyday fare as Americans, but explore the new world views that are on their way. Come to meditate on a path forward that is more ethical and equitable than ever before.

### Be a Greeter

20 minutes and a smile. That's all it takes to be the face of UUFLG.

Contact Donna Brewer to signup.

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