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*Santa Clarita's Unitarian Universalist Congregation*

*January, 2025*

## January's monthly theme: The Practice of Story



Storytelling is a way to give someone an experience they haven't had yet, or maybe didn't even know was possible.

*Adrienne Maree Brown*

Most of us spend most of the time living in the spaces between big events. We live our small stories... Life's best moments happen in the cracks, in the little moments we hardly notice, that pass us by day-by-day.

*David Majister*

At some point we have to understand that we do not need to carry a story that is unbearable. We can observe the story, which is mental; feel the story, which is physical; let the story go, which is emotional; then forgive the story, which is spiritual.

*Joy Harjo*

Remember, you don't fear people whose stories you know.

*Margaret Wheatley*

## Sunday Services

January 5, 10:30 am  
With Choir

### At the Turning of the Year

Rev. Dr. Jason Cook  
*UU of SCV Minister*



We celebrate the new year by honoring our stories of death and birth, letting go, and holding on. We'll pass out reflection words for the year and set our intentions going forward into 2025.

**Sunday services are held at:**

### Vibe Performing Arts Studio,

Valencia Plaza Shopping Center,  
24460 ¼ Lyons Ave

**And on Zoom:**

<https://tinyurl.com/ZoomUUSCV>

Or via phone at: (669) 900-9128

Meeting ID: 3098843973 (use for password also)

"#" for personal ID

January 12, 10:30 am  
With Choir

### We Begin Again

Rev. Maddie Sifantus



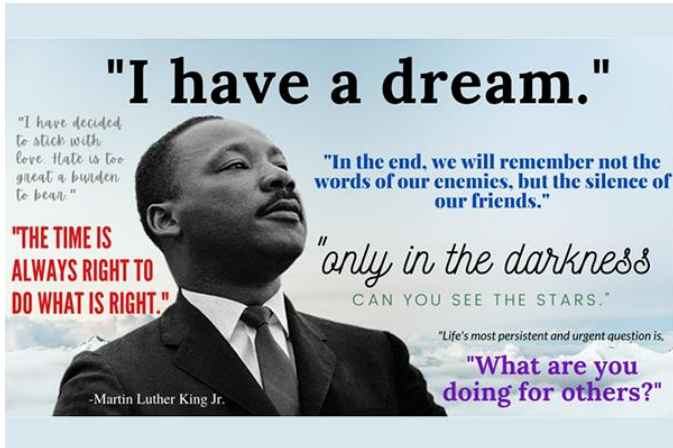
We have survived the holidays and head into a new year, perhaps with more trepidation than usual for some of us. How can we let the light of the holidays last into the new year and center love?

*Rev. Maddie Sifantus retired as the full time ten year settled minister of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula, California where she is now Minister Emerita and enjoying doing guest preaching while she decides what's next. Before Santa Paula she served two small formerly Universalist congregations in Massachusetts, Wakefield and Milford. She was originally ordained by the First Parish in Wayland in 2002 as a community minister. She served as First Parish's Affiliate Community Minister until she moved to Santa Paula in 2015. She is the Founder and Director/Emerita of the senior citizen chorus she directed for 20 years, the Golden Tones, which was what sent her to seminary.*

January 19, 10:30 am

# MLK's Stories of Love & Power

Rev. Dr. Jason Cook  
UU of SCV Minister



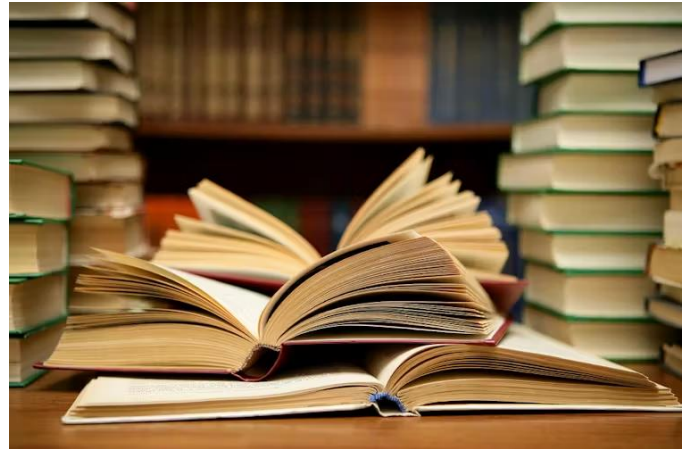
In recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we examine his exploration of love and power. What does power without love mean in our world today? What power does love bring us? And is this power transformative enough to build the beloved community we have dreamed about for so long?

*The Third Sunday recipient for January is the SCV Food Pantry.*

January 26, 10:30 am  
Jazz Sunday

# The Power of Story

Rev. Jo Green  
UU of SCV Affiliate Minister



What attracts us to hearing someone's story? Do we relate to those stories and do they change our lives in any way? We receive stories in various ways, hearing them, reading them, watching them, living them. A good story will and can change our lives. It will affect us in ways sometimes we could not fathom. Join us this Sunday as we review the power of stories in our lives.

*This is our monthly Jazz Sunday!!!*



## Minister's Column



***Rev. Dr. Jason Cook***

Several years ago, a young woman, very new to Unitarian Universalism, asked me if I thought she would be welcome at an annual congregational camp weekend in the mountains. "Of course!" was my immediate reaction. And then later I began to worry: I knew she was grieving a major loss, that she was facing extraordinary change and uncertainty in her life. Would she receive the kind of understanding welcome she needed?

Fortunately, my worries were unfounded. She returned from that weekend speaking of how the UU congregations at that camp had greeted her with such warmth and love that she was overwhelmed. They had listened to her story and witnessed her tears. I was moved by being reminded of how welcoming we UUs can be. Uncertainty was still before her, but it was mixed with the hope that comes from a welcoming community.

As we begin this new calendar year, we carry a mix of hope and uncertainty. The unknown stretches before us, full of possibility but also unpredictability. This is familiar to us as

Unitarian Universalists — we live in the space between certainty and wonder, seeking truth while knowing it's always unfolding.

One thing we do know is that new people will find their way to our congregation this year. Some may arrive seeking solace and safety in these troubled times, while others will be searching for a welcoming spiritual home.

True welcome means making space — physical, emotional, and spiritual — for people to bring their whole selves. Every person who comes through our doors carries their own story and their own needs for belonging and connection. Our job is to make sure there is a space for them to connect in a meaningful way.

The good news is that we don't have to be perfect to be welcoming. We just have to be willing — willing to notice, to adapt, and to ask, "What would help you to belong here?" Then, we act on the answer.

These are uncertain times, there is no doubt. But we have to remember that the year ahead remains unwritten, unknown. While there is much we can't control, we nonetheless play a part in how this year will unfold--and we can begin by reaffirming our resolution to lovingly embrace any and all who find us.

In love and gratitude,

Rev. Dr. Jason Cook

## Visioning

### Status of Visioned Goals

Rick Kamlet

We've started to plan for the 3 top visioning goals that we adopted for this church year, which are based on the input we received from a survey of congregation members:

1. **Create a Communications Team** – Rather than jumping into an Outreach team, we decided we should first coordinate our various communications efforts both to those within the congregation and then also to expand our visibility to the community, especially on social media.
2. **Form a Religious Exploration Planning Team** -- Not jumping into a program right away, this team is to work on planning how to restart our RE program by early next church year. RE is the future of our congregation. We want to have families, and we feel that there are families that need us. We set the target of having at least three team members who can engage four families (roughly), whether regular attendees or newcomers with children. The team is for brainstorming ideas and for figuring out what needs to be in place beforehand so we can get RE started again.
3. **Update our Safe Congregation policy** to meet current standards. We are reaching out to other congregations and to the UUA region for templates and policies to consider adding to our existing safe congregation policy.

Your voices were invaluable, and we're grateful for your energy and ideas! Moving forward, achieving these goals will require your participation. If you are asked to contribute, please consider joining. We are building this exciting future together.

## Activities

### Movie Night

Suzie Rizzo

SEJ is having movie night. Documentaries, biographies, novels, and more will be shown at the home of Suzie Rizzo on the second Friday of each month. Please join us at **6:00 pm for conversation and food. The film will start at 7:00 pm.** Please bring finger foods to share, vegan and vegetarian preferred. You may contact Suzie at [movies@uuofscv.org](mailto:movies@uuofscv.org) if you have any questions.



The movie for **January 10** is Will & Harper. Will & Harper is a 2024 American documentary film directed by Josh Greenbaum, following Will Ferrell and Harper Steele as the duo made a 17-day road trip across the United States, the latter having recently completed a gender transition.

"The Guernica Children" will be shown February 14. In the wake of the bombing of Guernica during the Spanish Civil War, four thousand Basque refugee children were evacuated to Britain. Seventy years on, we hear their extraordinary story and of the conflict between humanitarian need and political convenience that ensued.

## "Grief & Caregivers" Check-In Group

Rev. Dr. Jason Cook



The Grief & Caregivers check-in group, designed for those navigating the complex terrain of grief and caregiving, will continue every month on the third Thursday of each month at noon on Zoom. The intention is to create a safe, nurturing space for individuals who are processing loss or supporting loved ones through challenging times.

This month, the group will be held on Thursday, **January 16, 12:00 noon.**

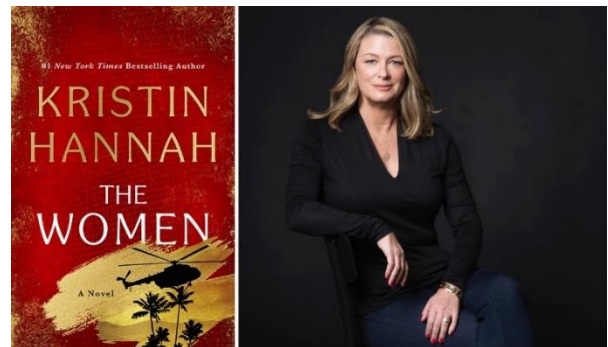
Questions? Email Rev. Jason at [minister@uuofscv.org](mailto:minister@uuofscv.org)

## Book Club

Suzie Rizzo

This is a welcoming and joyful group of readers who love to share their thoughts on the selections chosen. Everyone's presence is encouraged. This group meets the second Wednesday of each month. We will meet at **6:00 pm** at the home of Lois Linnert. Please bring a dish to share (vegan and vegetarian preferred) and a beverage of your choice, as well as your thoughts and your critique.

UUSCV's Covid Policy is followed.



On Wednesday, **January 8**, we will be discussing "The Women."

According to The NY Times, this historical fiction centers on the Vietnam epic, and re-centers the story on the experience of women—in this instance, the military nurses who worked under fire, on bases and in field hospitals, to patch soldiers back together. Or not.

The NY Times says "...patriotic innocence shattered by the barbarity of jungle warfare; the return home to a hostile nation; the chasm of despair and addiction; and finally, the healing power of activism..."

Contact [books@uuofscv.org](mailto:books@uuofscv.org) if you have any questions

## Game Nights

hosted by Beth Jenkins

**ZOOM Game Night** – ZOOM Game Night will be **January 4**. Join us for a wild Pictionary type game and possible Scattagories and/or Boggle -- ALL on your computer/laptop! The fun begins at **7:00 pm**, and it is easy to join: just use the same UU of SCV ZOOM room link that is listed in our weekly announcements and our monthly newsletter to join. This is a great evening, enjoyed from the comfort of your home. No need to stay for the whole evening (we usually go until 8:30-9:00 PM). No drawing skills needed; just a good sense of humor.

**IN-PERSON Game Night** -- Come join us for our monthly IN-PERSON Game Night at the home of Beth Jenkins, now happening on the third Friday of each month. This month the date will be **Friday, January 17 at 6:30 pm**. Please RSVP to Beth Jenkins at: [games@uuofscv.org](mailto:games@uuofscv.org). And please include what potluck item you will be bringing, so we don't all bring desserts! (BYOB for drinks). This is a very fun and lively evening of good food, great conversation, lots of laughs, and (not very competitive) table games (mostly word games).

*Note: as with all of our affinity groups, you do not need to be a member of UU of SCV to attend any of our regular monthly activities, and you are encouraged to invite friends, including to the ZOOM game night.*

## Bend the Arc Discussion Group

Suzie Rizzo



Bend the Arc, a political discussion group under the auspices of the Social and Environmental Justice Team will meet on the third Wednesday, **January 15**, at our usual time, **6:00 pm for potluck and chatting, and 6:30 pm for serious discussion**, at the home of Suzie Rizzo.

If you have any questions or want additional information, please contact Suzie Rizzo at [thearc@uuofscv.org](mailto:thearc@uuofscv.org)

## Mid-Year Congregational Meeting on January 19



UU of SCV will hold our Mid-Year Congregational Meeting following the worship service on **January**

**19 from 11:45 am to approximately 12:30 pm.**

The meeting will be rich with information and open to your questions.

Topics will include how the congregation is doing financially so far this church year, celebrating the many "wins" that we've had already, and we will formally affirm: a) that we intend to extend Rev. Jason's contract to a full year (extending part-way into next church year), and b) that we have appointed two new Board Members – Rick Kamlet as President and Carmela Camp as Member-at-Large. We will hear brief "year so far" updates, along with short updates about the activities and progress of our various teams and groups.

Members and non-members are welcome to attend. No voting will be held at this meeting.

Join us in person at Vibe or by Zoom.

## **Drum Circle**

**Beth Jenkins**

Drum Circle is changing to the fourth Friday of each month, so this month, it will be on **January 24 at 7:00 pm.**

For any questions, concerns, or directions, as well as to RSVP (which is MUCH appreciated so that we know how many chairs to put out), contact [drums@uuofscv.org](mailto:drums@uuofscv.org).

No experience is needed, and you can bring your own drum (or other percussion instrument) or use one of the many supplied by our expert Drum Circle leader Burl Bolerjack. Bring a friend or family member(s) ages 8 and up (must be able to sit for 1.5 hours and focus on the leader's and others' drumbeats, to fit their own unique beat into the group sound).

Donations are much appreciated to pay for Burl's travel and other expenses (usual amount is \$10, but if you bring children, please do not feel obligated to donate for them). Burl generously shares half

the donation amount to UU of SCV, and it has accumulated to be several hundred dollars per year!

## **Open Topics Discussion Group**

**Lois Linnert & Beth Jenkins**



We sit in a room with each other and discuss various topics, the topic being different each month. Future Topics may include "What was the most frightening or exhilarating time in your life?", "Tell a funny story or a few jokes", and "What is the meaning of friendship to you, and what is the difference between casual friendship and deep friendship?"

We would love for you to join us. Each month we meet on the 4th Monday (**January 27**) at the home of Lois Linnert at **6:00 pm**. The topic for this month will be **"Bring a Joke or a Funny Story to Share."** We bring food to share, so we can socialize before the discussion begins.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call Lois Linnert or contact [opentopics@uuofscv.org](mailto:opentopics@uuofscv.org).



## Animal Ministry

Ingrid Van Dorn

We will be continuing with our UU of SCV Animal Ministry Chapter.

Our beloved member, Marilyn Logan, started the chapter. Since her passing, the Chapter has been inactive. Time to get active again!

We will be meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. We will meet in the main room at Vibe at **12:00 noon**. (Information about Zoom will be added at a future date).

The Mission Statement of the UUAM is, "Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry empowers individuals, chapters, and congregations to build justice and compassion for animals."

Please join us on Sunday, **January 26** and let's see how we can work together to build justice and compassion for animals! [animals@uuofscv.org](mailto:animals@uuofscv.org)

## Friday Meditations on Zoom

Barbara Wampole



*"It is indeed a radical act of love just to sit down and be quiet for a time by yourself" – Jon Kabat Zinn*

Please feel free to just drop in. No experience is necessary. It's simple. If you'd like to join us to share simple sitting meditation and mindfulness

practices, we continue to have a unique opportunity to use Zoom since we began sheltering at home.

**Every Friday from 11 am to Noon.** If you'd like to join us, please contact Barbara Wampole at [meditation@uuofscv.org](mailto:meditation@uuofscv.org)

[Connect with the UU of SCV Zoom](#)

## Dining for Dollars

### Dining for Dollars Fundraising

Chris Hankla

Your UU of SCV Board is looking for volunteers to offer "Dining for Dollars" opportunities. Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve gourmet meals for up to eight people who sign up to pay for the privilege of attending. All proceeds go to UU of SCV and will be applied as fundraising income which has been anticipated in the approved 2024-25 budget.

Perhaps you would enjoy generously hosting a wine tasting, a specialty tea experience, or another creative opportunity for a small group of people. Please contact Tommie O'Sullivan before February 16.

# Love at the Center

## Love at the Center Program for UU of SCV

From Rev. Dr. Jason Cook



I am delighted to announce that I will be leading an enriching new program for our congregation in the coming year: *Love at the Center*, an eleven-session course from UU Wellspring. This transformative program is designed to deepen your connection to Unitarian Universalist (UU) principles, build meaningful spiritual practices, and cultivate the centering presence of love in your life. Sessions will take place every other Saturday morning on Zoom, beginning January 11.

### What is UU Wellspring?

UU Wellspring offers programs that provide participants with opportunities to engage in deep spiritual reflection, learning, and growth. Grounded in the core values of Unitarian Universalism, UU Wellspring programs encourage personal exploration and communal sharing, providing a supportive framework for participants to live more fully into the covenantal promises of our faith.

*Love at the Center* is one of their newest offerings, emphasizing how love informs and transforms our personal lives, relationships, and communities. It

invites us to embody love as an active practice in service to our shared humanity and our planet.

### What can participants expect from *Love at the Center*?

This program is rooted in Unitarian Universalist theology, wisdom from diverse spiritual traditions, and reflective practices that support deep inner work. Each session focuses on a theme related to the transformative power of love, such as compassion, justice, vulnerability, forgiveness, and hope.

Participants will explore these themes through guided readings, personal reflection, and small-group conversations. The format is intentionally designed to create a safe and nurturing space where everyone's experiences and insights are honored.

In addition, you will be encouraged to integrate spiritual practices into your daily life. This could include mindfulness, journaling, prayer, or any practice that resonates with your unique spiritual journey. These practices help cultivate a grounded and open-hearted presence that is essential for living in alignment with our UU values.

### What are the benefits of participating?

*Love at the Center* offers many gifts for those who engage fully with the program:

- **Deeper Self-Awareness:** You will have the opportunity to reflect on your own experiences with love and how it has shaped your journey.
- **Spiritual Growth:** The program encourages participants to develop or deepen spiritual practices that can sustain them in times of challenge and joy.
- **Stronger Connections:** Through sharing in a small-group setting, you will form meaningful connections with others in our

congregation as you journey together in mutual support and discovery.

- **A Renewed Commitment to Love in Action:** Participants will explore how love calls us to show up for justice, equity, and compassion in our lives and in the broader world.

### Who is this program for?

This program is open to anyone in our congregation who feels called to deepen their spiritual journey and explore the transformative power of love. Whether you are new to Unitarian Universalism or have been part of our faith tradition for decades, *Love at the Center* offers something meaningful for all who are willing to engage with an open heart.

### Details

- **When: Every other Saturday morning:**
  - **10:00 am to Noon**
  - **January 11 & 25, Feb 8 & 22, March 8 & 22; April 5 & 19; May 3, 17 & 31**

*(It's okay if you need to miss a session or two, but the program is not recommended for those who are unable to attend most of the sessions.)*
- **Where:** Online via **Zoom**, allowing for the convenience of joining from your home
- **Duration:** Eleven sessions, approximately two hours each

If you are interested in participating, please sign up at the automated form here:

<https://tinyurl.com/mr45x24m>. Space may be limited to ensure the intimacy and depth of the group experience, so I encourage you to express your interest early.

I am thrilled to embark on this journey with you, as we explore how centering love in our lives can transform our spirits, strengthen our relationships, and empower us to bring more compassion and justice to the world.

## Social & Environmental Justice

### Social & Environmental Justice (SEJ) Team News

Louise Klatt & Glenda Nowakowski

**PFLAG** – PFLAG meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

**NAACP** – NAACP meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the NorthPark HOA clubhouse.

The local NAACP held a screening of the movie *Wicked* on November 21. Lynne Plambeck, Ingrid Van Dorn, and Suzie Rizzo attended, and enjoyed the movie.

In December, they had a holiday party instead of the monthly meeting on Thursday, December 19. It was a fundraiser for the NAACP Scholarship Fund.

**SCV Food Pantry** – Ingrid Van Dorn reports that the Food Pantry needs nonperishable food, pet food, and personal care items.

The Food Pantry gave away a lot of turkeys for Thanksgiving. They did not close on Christmas this year because kids were off school and would not be getting food from school.

**Postcard Writing** – Postcard writing will resume in January. It will be on the second Sunday of the month (**January 12**) after the service in the annex of Vibe Performing Arts. Materials, postage, and fact sheets will be provided. Stop by and let your elected officials know what is on your mind!

**SCOPE/Chiquita Canyon Landfill** – Lynne said that people in the Val Verde area are suffering from health problems due to the landfill and that some are moving out of the area even though they can't sell their houses. Meanwhile, developers are building more houses near the landfill.

Lynne is trying to persuade other congregations to adopt the same resolution that our congregation passed in June. Rev. Jason may be able to assist in this.

**Citizen's Climate Lobby** - CCL meets on the second Saturday of the month at 10 am via Zoom. Contact Suzie Rizzo to get on the mailing list.

**Fifth Sunday** – The next Fifth Sunday will be on **March 30**. We will be discussing the final session of the Transforming Hearts Collective as part of our Welcoming Congregation renewal.

**Third Sunday** – The Third Sunday recipient for January is the SCV Food Pantry. Ingrid tells us that in addition to food, the Pantry needs money for insurance, repairs, and fuel for their trucks.

**Bend the Arc** – Bend the Arc will meet on the third Wednesday of the month (January 15) at 6 pm. Please bring food to share and ideas for discussion.

**Grandmothers (and Others) for Peace** - Contact Glenda Nowakowski for more information or to be put on the mailing list.

**Movie Night** – Movie Night will be held on Friday, **January 10 at 6 pm**. Please see Suzie Rizzo's article elsewhere in this newsletter.

The next SEJ Team meeting will be on **January 12 at noon** at Vibe Performing Arts and via Zoom. Postcard writing will resume on that day.

## **Cards for Teens a Huge Success Again This Year!**

Rick Kamlet



We are so glad to have been able to deliver twenty-three (23) gift cards to brighten the lives of SCV teens who have been affected by domestic violence. That's \$525 worth of gift cards!!!

The Domestic Violence Center (the previous organization that worked with SCV domestic violence victims) had suggested to us that teens often get overlooked for the holidays because toys collected for families tend to be for smaller children. So, since 2016, we have been collecting gift cards for teens who have been affected by domestic violence.

And you came through!!! Cheryl Jones, VP of Community Outreach from the Child & Family Center sends her gratitude to our congregation, saying that they would have been short of things to give the teens if we hadn't donated our gift cards. We would like to thank the wonderful generosity of the members of the UU of SCV congregation.

# Camp deBenneville Pines

Louise Klatt



save the date	PSWSA ASSEMBLY April 25-27	WOMEN'S RETREAT May 2-4	YOGA CAMP FOR ADULTS May 16-18
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## [2025 UU Elementary Family Winter Camp -](#)



**The 3rd annual Pacific Southwest Service Area Assembly** sponsored by Camp de Benneville Pines will be at First Unitarian Universalist Church in San Diego on April 25 to 27 in 2025.

Keynote speakers will take the stage at this year's Assembly on Friday evening as well as Saturday morning. Social gatherings will be in the Friday late afternoon as well as Saturday late afternoon. Happenings will be workshops on Saturday afternoon, a musical event on Saturday evening, Camp de Benneville Pines annual meeting just before lunch on Saturday, and a Worship Service closing on Sunday

morning. Keynote selections are being made among women building coalitions, messaging/framing, practicing law, advocating for gender rights, and reproductive justice.

Stay tuned for our Pacific Southwest Service Area's (PSWSA) Assembly registration to join us online or in-person.

<http://www.uucamp.org>

## Church Workings

### Board of Trustees

Glenda Nowakowski, Secretary

Key topics from the November 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the UU of SCV Board of Trustees:

- The Board planned the agenda for the Mid-Year Congregational Meeting to be held on January 19.
- The Board started on the first steps toward our goals for the church year.
- The Board is working on establishing a Communications Team to work toward coordinating, streamlining, and improving communication with the congregation and with the community.

## Rev. Jason Contact Information

Rev. Dr. Jason Cook

Email: [minister@uuofscv.org](mailto:minister@uuofscv.org)

Phone: 661-237-8873

### To Schedule a Zoom Appointment:

<https://calendly.com/rev-jasoncook/1-on-1-with-rev-jason-cook>

To Schedule an In Person Appointment (for after a Sunday service):

<https://calendly.com/minister-uuofscv>

Please note: Rev. Jason primarily answers emails/texts Tuesday-Friday in the mornings and early afternoon.

## Board Officers

President – Rick Kamlet

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Co-Treasurer – Chris Hankla

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Member-at-Large - Gordon Uppman

Member-at-Large – Diane Lin

Member-at-Large – Carmela Camp

## Pastoral Care

### Your UU of SCV Pastoral Care Team

The Pastoral Care Team serves those in our congregation needing support. Team members are Lucy Bates, Diane Lin, Barbara McCoy, and Ingrid

Van Dorn (email addresses and phone numbers for each of them are in the Directory). If you are interested in joining us, we can always use the help. Or maybe you could be one of our “helping hands people” for those occasions when we need extra help.

Pastoral care is offered with strict confidentiality. It is available to those experiencing illness, injury, grief, loneliness, or an emergency.

Team members may provide help with meals, transportation, phone calls, visits, and errands.

Remember we are here to help should you need it. [pastoralcare@uuofscv.org](mailto:pastoralcare@uuofscv.org), or contact one of the members listed above. Or feel free to contact the minister directly [minister@uuofscv.org](mailto:minister@uuofscv.org), 661-237-8873.

## Membership

Membership Team

### Birthdays

Barbara Cogswell 01/19

### Membership Anniversaries

Gordon Uppman 01/18/2015

# CALENDAR

Events and activities may change. Check the Friday weekly announcement emails for updates.

**Meditation** – Every Friday 11 am to noon, Zoom

**4 ZOOM Game Night**, 7 pm

## Sunday

**5 Sunday Service, 10:30 am**  
**At the Turning of the Year**  
Rev. Dr. Jason Cook

**8 Book Club**, 6:00 pm, Lois Linnert's home

**10 Movie Night**, 6 pm for conversation,  
7:00 for movie

**11 Love at the Center**, 10 am – noon,  
Special Zoom, *sign up beforehand (link provided)*

## Sunday

**12 Sunday Service, 10:30 am**  
**We Begin Again**  
Rev. Maddie Sifantus

**Postcard Writing**, after the service

**Social & Environmental Justice Team**,  
12:00 noon, at Vibe and via Zoom

**15 Bend the Arc**, 6 pm for potluck,  
6:30 pm for discussion, Suzie Rizzo's

**16 Grief and Caregivers Check-In**, 12:00 noon  
to 1 pm, Regular UU of SCV Zoom site

**17 IN-PERSON Game Night**, 6:30 pm,  
Beth Jenkin's home (rsvp)

## Sunday

**19 Sunday Service, 10:30 am**  
**MLK's Stories of Love and Power**  
Rev. Dr. Jason Cook

*Third Sunday Recipient: SCV Food Pantry*

**Mid-Year Congregational Meeting**, after the service (11:45 am – 12:30 pm), members and non-members are invited to attend at Vibe or on Zoom

**Board Meeting**, 5 pm at Vibe & Zoom

**24 Drum Circle**, 7 pm, Beth Jenkin's home

**25 Love at the Center**, 10 am – noon,  
Special Zoom, *sign up beforehand (link provided)*

## Sunday

**26 Sunday Service, 10:30 am**  
**The Power of Story**  
Rev. Jo Green

**Animal Ministry**, 12 noon

**27 Open Topics Discussion Group**, 6:00 pm,  
Lois Linnert's home