



# North Shore Unitarian NEWS

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February 2017

## NSUC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Installation Celebration March 25<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Seymour United Church



**Y**ou are cordially invited to celebrate NSUC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the Installation of our Co-Ministers, Revs. Emily and Marcus Hartlief, on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Seymour United Church, 1200 Parkgate Ave. in N. Vancouver (invitation [HERE](#)).

The Ceremony of Installation starts at 3pm. After the service, we'll begin the reception at 5pm with a meal of meat and vegetarian main courses served with potluck savoury sides. Save room for the dessert of celebration cake. Stay tuned for updates about music and entertainment.

Read more about this event and click on the [RSVP](#) link at <http://northshoreunitarians.ca/anniversary-installation-celebration/>. Contact the Church Office if you need the information in paper form. The RSVP link will guide you through registering attendees, signing up for potluck food items, and letting us know of any transportation or special needs you may have. It will also provide you with the opportunity to fill one of the many volunteer positions that are needed for this event. The steering committee (our Co-Ministers, Marcia Stephenson, Pat Meyer, Linda Pratt, Melissa Picher and Jim Stephenson) is grateful for your help!

### Save the Date: Fundraising Concert & Tea 2pm on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

This event is a fundraiser for the NSUC's 2017 Choir Tour to Transylvania. It features a wonderful program of Broadway classics offered by NSUC's beloved songstress, Kathryn Nicholson and Vancouver's "Mr. Music Theatre," Ken Cormier. Tea, coffee, home-baked pie, and dainties will be served during intermission. Location: North Shore Unitarian Church. Tickets (\$15 each) will be on sale soon. Stay tuned!



### Recognizing First Responders

This Valentine's Day, as a community we are gathering cards and notes to deliver to first responders (firefighters, medics, emergency room staff) who have been affected by the recent overdose crisis in greater Vancouver. On Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be a table set up downstairs during soup, open to everyone to decorate a card and write a message to first responders. Cards will be delivered on February 14<sup>th</sup> to the community. For more info, email Rev. Emily at [emily@northshoreunitarians.ca](mailto:emily@northshoreunitarians.ca).

## Upcoming Sunday Services

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**February 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am**

### **“The Physicality of Grace”**

Speaker: Rev. Marcus Hartlief

Coordinator: John Slattery

Question: What does our physical experience of grace tell us about the wounded theological word?

Children will begin the service upstairs.

**February 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am**

### **“Dance as a Spiritual Practice”**

Speaker: Stephana Arnold

Coordinator: Mark Pezarro

Description: A former dancer with the National Ballet, Les Grand Ballets Canadiens and Ballet BC, Ms. Arnold will explore the topic of dance as it has been used through the ages for communication, worship, rituals and human bonding. And how it can be used to engage the presence and deeper aspects of oneself in the modern world. Children will begin the service downstairs.

**February 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am**

### **“One World at a Time”**

Speaker: Rev. Emily Hartlief

Coordinator: Kerry Burke

Description: When Henry David Thoreau was asked about the afterlife on his deathbed, he is said to have responded, “One world at a time.”

How do we fully embody the time we are alive?

Children will begin the service downstairs.

**February 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am**

### **“Exorcising Descartes”**

Speaker: Rev. Marcus Hartlief

Coordinator: Sue Forbes

Description: Our notion of a mind/body split, exemplified famously in Descartes’ words, “I think, therefore I am,” has become a source of great spiritual pain and cultural crisis. What does it take to heal this divide?

Children will begin the service upstairs.



### **Special Invitation for Visitors:**

On February 19<sup>th</sup> visitors are invited to stay after the service to meet with one or both of our Co-Ministers in their office, and ask questions about our congregation.



### **Miss a Service?**

**VIDEOS** of many of our sermons are available to watch online: From our home page at [northshoreunitarians.ca](http://northshoreunitarians.ca), hover over “News & Events” on the top menu. From the drop down menu, select “Watch Recent Sermons”. Click on one you’d like to see.



### **Contact Info**

#### **For our Co-Ministers:**

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**W**e spoke in January about our Hopes and Histories gatherings. We invited you to reflect on these questions that we will discuss in small groups:

- How has your involvement in this congregation changed your life? How has North Shore Unitarian Church changed or impacted the life of the wider community?
- What breaks your heart? What injustice, suffering or crisis affects you—either directly, or through your compassion and care for the larger world?
- What are your big, unreasonable dreams for our congregation? Imagine we have completed our new building project to everyone's satisfaction and we have one million dollars in additional funds. What project, initiative would you purpose the congregation use the funds to take on?

Please take a moment to find a date that would work for you [HERE](#) or pick up a printed copy on the foyer table. Let the host know you will be there.

As we reflect on embodiment this month, one of our hopes for the future is that we continue to deepen and enrich the ways that we embody our Shared Ministry. Unitarian Universalists have a long tradition of Shared Ministry. Rooted in the reformation notion of the “priesthood of all believers,” and updated by the 20th century Unitarian thinker James Luther Adams to include “the prophethood and priesthood of all believers,” Shared Ministry is the idea that we are all responsible for embodying the values of our tradition. Ministers, and religious professionals of any kind, play a special role, but do not have special powers. We are all capable of and responsible for doing ministry.

Our new governance model identifies most of the groups that work on various aspects of church life as Shared Ministry Teams. These teams are the way that we embody together the ministry of our congregation.

One of our primary roles as ministers is to empower you to do ministry. To that end, we are launching two Associates programs: **Sunday Service Associates** who partici-

pate in the creative process of shaping and leading Sunday Services and **Care Associates** who offer compassionate presence and practical assistance to those in need. These programs will offer lay leaders an opportunity to receive training and to deepen their own spiritual life as they offer these ministries in our community. Because these are serious commitments, we are asking anyone interested to apply for these Associate positions, which will start next September as we begin the 2017-2018 church year. The **Sunday Service Associate** application, with more information about what is involved in that role, can be found [HERE](#) (printed copies are on the foyer table). Look for the **Care Associate** application soon, or speak to one of us if you already know you are interested in this role.

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Revs. Marcus & Emily Hartlief

The **Sunday Service Associate** application includes a section for anyone who would like to apply to lead a Summer Service. Do you have an area of interest or expertise that you would like to share about in a Summer Service? Do you have a creative idea for what a service might look like that you'd like to experiment with? We

believe everyone has at least one sermon in them—

and there are opportunities to be trained! See the Heart, Mind and Spirit page for details about a workshop coming up in March led by Rev. Meg Roberts. We will also lead a preaching workshop as part of our training for Summer Service Leaders in May. As we look toward what it will take to be a healthy, vibrant community in the years to come, we know that offering a high quality experience 52 Sundays every year is essential for vital congregations. Consider co-creating this important ministry with us.

~ Revs. Emily & Marcus Hartlief



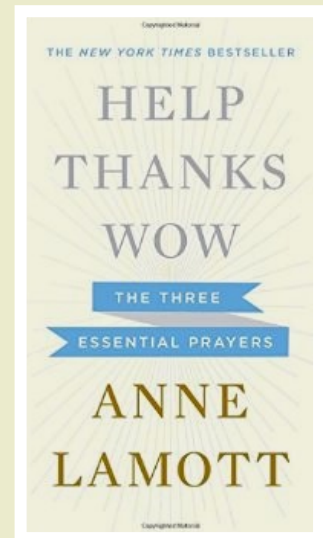
## Update!

Enrollment is now full in our Facing Death with Life classes. Thank you to all who registered for this series, which will continue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month, January through April, in the Fire-side Area.

## New Discussion Group Starting Soon!

Leslie Gibbons and ElJean Wilson are planning to co-lead a discussion group based on the Anne Lamott book "Help Thanks Wow: The Three Essential Prayers". This will likely be a twice-monthly afternoon group (6 sessions or so). Watch for details in our weekly emails and start reading the book soon.

(If you're not currently subscribed to our weekly email bulletin, but would like to be, please email the church office at [info@northshoreunitarians.ca](mailto:info@northshoreunitarians.ca)).



## Share Your Story: A Sermon Writing Workshop

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-3:30pm  
or Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> 9:30am – 3:30pm at the First Unitarian Church of Victoria. Early Bird cost \$40 if you register in January; otherwise, the cost is \$50. (Registration deadline: February 15<sup>th</sup>). Cost includes two group coaching sessions as follow-up to help integrate learning. Facilitated by Rev. Meg Roberts; sponsored by the UU Islands Network.

To registration, contact Anna at [isaacs.anna@gmail.com](mailto:isaacs.anna@gmail.com) or 250-472-0117. More info at: [viuc.unitariancongregation.org/homily-workshop](http://viuc.unitariancongregation.org/homily-workshop).

## The Seven Principles Our Congregation Affirms and Promotes:

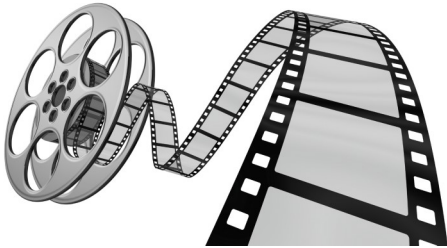
1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

## Our Mission

IS TO EMPOWER PEOPLE  
TO LIVE WITH GREATER DEPTH,  
MEANING AND PURPOSE.  
WE WELCOME ALL  
TO OUR CARING COMMUNITY,  
FOSTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH  
FREE OF DOGMA,  
AND INSPIRE ACTIONS  
IN THE SERVICE OF LIFE.

## Open FundFest Events in February

This page features FundFest events in February that are open to new participants. Some people already purchased tickets to these events (at last year's FundFest auction) — but there's room for more! 100% of the proceeds go to NSUC, so check your calendar and contact the hosts or Church Office if you'd like to attend one or more of these fun events!



### Feasting on Films

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**

Film buffs gather at 7pm at NSUC for tasty finger foods and refreshments. The thought-provoking, 2-hour feature films are introduced and shown in the Sanctuary around

7:30pm. Conversational mayhem ensues. Drop-in cost is \$12. RSVP regrets and drop-ins to [kit.to@mac.com](mailto:kit.to@mac.com). Planned selection for February 24<sup>th</sup> is "Margarita with a Straw". March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> are the remaining dates.

### Unitarian String Band

**Sat., February 18<sup>th</sup>, 8pm**



The Unitarian String Band (USB for short) is a four-piece group led by Paul Sungaila. We play a mix of celtic, bluegrass, old-tyme, and folk. Join us for our inaugural concert in the Sanctuary. Snacks and refreshments will be served at intermission. This FundFest event was originally scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>; please note the change of date. The drop-in cost is \$15. RSVP to [psungaila@gmail.com](mailto:psungaila@gmail.com).



**Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

All ages are welcome to this family-friendly, multigenerational event in the Fireside Room. Have tons of fun whether you watch other people sing, dance, drink, snack, and laugh — or join in to do it all yourself! This is always a popular event, and the people who attend have a blast. Drop-in cost: \$15. RSVP to Kit To ([kit.to@mac.com](mailto:kit.to@mac.com)).



### Pizza & Scrabble Night

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

Cost: \$17. RSVP required! Contact Elizabeth Cheng or the Church Office if you'd like to attend.

### Want to Connect More Effectively with Others?

**Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

You're invited to participate in this fun and interactive workshop offered by certified MBTI administrator, AJ Veerman. Take the Myers Briggs Personality Test and learn how to connect more effectively with others, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the Fireside Room. This makes a great Valentines gift! Cost \$30 per person or \$50 for a couple. RSVPs are required ahead of time (to AJ or the Church Office).



## Children's Program



Lynn Sabourin,  
Director of Lifespan Learning

**L**ike our ancestors before us, we try to dispel some of the dark and cold of winter, by planning activities that warm our hearts and create community. Our January 22<sup>nd</sup> Potluck and Talent Show were designed with that in mind. So was our Secret Buddies program. February will be the month Secret Buddies leave clues for each other in mailbags that have the child's name on them. Adults will be trying their best not to get caught as they leave their goodies in the bags. Buddies will have a chance to meet each other at a potluck supper on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. At the time of this writing, we have 25 pairs of children and adults. This potluck is for **everyone** in the church, so even if you are not part of Secret Buddies, we hope you will come, 5-7 pm. As some special bonds will have been formed, there will be some Kodak moments at this gathering.

We have welcomed four new families to our congregation and hope they will soon feel at home with us. With them will come fresh energy and new ideas. We will be all the richer for that.



**Many Thanks** to our wonderful volunteer teachers who dedicate time to prepare for their sessions with the children and give up going to worship services. While most will tell you that they get as much, if not more, from doing this amazing work, I will tell you that it is what makes our children's program so vital and enriching. We could not have our church school without them.



### Talent Show Recap

It wasn't a large group that gathered for our January 22<sup>nd</sup> Talent Show, but they were enthusiastic and appreciative of all our performers, young and old.

Dreighton started us off on piano with Ragtime; Joanna Vaughan told the classic "The Cremation of Sam McGee"; Alex played a lovely piece on his viola; some "friend" of Brian McConnell's and Paul Sungaila strung us along with a funny song accompanied by guitar and fiddle; Gemma, Marlo and Lauren riddled us; our ukele lady, Karen Epp, did a lovely rendition of "Blue Bayou"; sisters, Sian and Mikaela, sang "Bad Day" in perfect harmony, accompanying themselves on ukele; Marlo tickled the ivories beautifully; Dreighton told a few jokes and card-tricked us; Paul played guitar and sang two of his favourite tunes and Sian sang us an original song that she composed that was so amazing, it blew us away. Many thanks to all our performers and to the keen audience who applauded and cheered with gusto!!



### 3-6 Year Olds

The Spirit Play program started 2017 with a Taoist story called "A New Year's Tale: Heaven and Hell" in which a searcher, curious about the difference between heaven and hell, discovers that the difference

lies in the fact that in heaven, people are respectful of each other and are cooperating. They also heard another beginning story, "A Cosmic Creation Story" which relates, in young children's language, the story of the Big Bang Theory. Yes, we are stardust . . .

### 9-10 Year Olds

Our 9-10 year olds added a flashlight to their Toolbox of Faith to represent shining light on injustices in the world. They heard the story of Rev. Waitstill and Martha Sharp, American Unitarians, who risked their own lives to save Jews

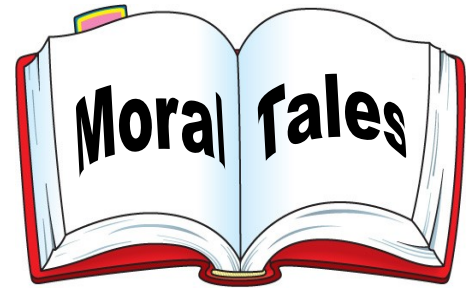
and others from the Nazis during World War II. Sharing their own light was an incredible act of courage. The concept of atonement was represented by a level; it is the idea that putting past mistakes and injustices right or in balance is a necessary endeavor. We talked about residential schools and the wrongs that were inflicted on First Nations people decades ago right up until 1996. We discussed the apology offered by Prime Minister Harper on behalf of the Canadian Government and what other efforts can atone for those wrongs. We emphasized the feeling of being "at one" when there is reconciliation. We have a way to go yet.



### 11-12 Year Olds

The 11-12 year old Inquiring Souls started the year talking about New Year's and why in our culture we celebrate it in the dead of winter. They compared it to other New Year celebrations in other faiths and cultures; for example, No Ruz on March 21 in

the Muslim tradition and Rosh Hashana in September in the Jewish tradition. Having just had a Friday, the 13<sup>th</sup> they discussed superstitions and why some people have them and others don't. They talked about how their values as individuals are evidenced in their lives and how they are perceived by others. Because it was Martin Luther King's birthday they used his life as an example of someone who lived out his values.



### 7-8 Year Olds

In Moral Tales our 7-8 year olds engaged with the concept of courage and how it is connected to love, caring and conscience in a folk tale from South Africa called "The Lion on the Path." They heard of how a young woman found the courage to stand up to a hungry lion to save her cousin. The children then shared their own stories of courage. In another session they heard a Jataka tale from the Buddhist tradition, about a brave little parrot that persevered in the face of impossibility to save some animals from a forest fire. Its actions attracted the attention of one of the Gods who was so moved that his tears put out the fire. They each took a turn whisking whip cream as a concrete way of demonstrating perseverance. The resulting whip cream was then eaten with strawberries. In our culture of "everything now" (when most products and information can now be had with the press of a button or the exchange of money), our children need, more than ever, to learn the value of perseverance given that there are fewer opportunities to work hard for something.

# News & Events



## Cronies

February brings secret loves and joys to many around Val-

entine's Day. On February 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, bring your special "Cronie, friend, pal" selves to the church at 12:30pm with a light lunch, ready to join The nicest Unitarian Cronies Group on the North Shore. Call Joanna for info, 604-904-9535.

## Fun Shui Social Walk & Coffee



Walk the West Van Seawall and stop for coffee or view a gallery along the way with NSUC friends on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 1pm sharp! Meet at the Seawall path entrance just south of Winners store, southeast of Park Royal Shopping Centre. RSVP to Merrick Walsh 778-847-6377.



## Jammin' With the Band

All are invited to participate in this informal jam session on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary. Bring a musical instrument, or sing along. All ages and skill levels welcome; the emphasis is on having fun.

~Paul Jaffe



## From the Library

Have you read a good book from our library lately? Would you like to know which books from our library have been recommended by other members? We want to establish a list of recommended books, but cannot do it without your input. Come, browse, and share your findings. If you would prefer a virtual visit of our library, let us know, and we will email you our catalogue. No matter how you choose to have a look at our inventory, you can be assured of discovering some unsuspected treasures. We welcome any other suggestions to improve our services. How can we best meet your needs?

~ Nicole Hostinsky, Librarian



## Outreach/Inreach

In December, we collected \$2,350.25 for the Pastoral Discretionary Fund. In February, half of our Outreach/Inreach collections will be given to Wish, which supports the health and safety of sex trade workers. Please make cheques payable to NSUC.

## Used Book Sale: Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at Noon



### Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

The Church Office will be closed for the Family Day holiday on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.



Browse the bargains at our Book Sale on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> in the Fireside Area after church. This event is organized in co-operation with the NSUC Library Team. Proceeds will go to the Partner Church Choir Tour fund.

Due to limited space, we are not accepting donated books for this event from the larger community.



# B&G

**Building & Grounds**

To deal with the unusually icy mid-winter season, NSUC does several things. To make sure that walkways are free of snow and ice, we employ a neighbour. To salt and plow the parking lot and drive-

way for tenants, staff and members could cost \$700 per snowfall. For this reason, we are careful to monitor conditions and give specific instructions to the contractor we have engaged. This year, Bob Vaughan and I spent a morning clearing parts of the lot to save the community money.

Barrie Forbes presented an amazing new podium to the congregation, made of wood from an unused NSUC pew, showing with one amazing change how the old can be incorporated into the new.

Bob Vaughan, Roy Brand and I have been responding to property needs this month. Fire alarms and a hatch were replaced at the instruction of and following an inspection by the fire department. Speakers were moved to a more appropriate location in the Great Room downstairs.

I negotiated a waste removal service with 33% more capacity and double the pickup frequency for \$1200 less per year. As with the previous container, no recyclables are to be put in it, as required by West Vancouver District and the trash removal company. Purchasing recycling bins for sorting organics, paper, cardboard, containers, glass, metals, batteries and bulbs is a priority for next month. We ask you to do your part by sorting at source. Garbage is not simply garbage anymore.

Any property such as this requires management. For the present, we rely on Janni to alert us regarding officially required inspections, insurance policies, WVD regulations and needs pointed out by tenants, staff and members. If you notice something, you are welcome to fix it if you can. Even better, join our team. ~ Brian McConnell



**April 1st 10am-2pm**

Mark your calendar now for this annual event, and start saving up clothing to donate. Donations will be accepted from March 18-26th. Contact Karen Epp or the Church Office if you can help with this event. Watch for more details in the March newsletter.

### Short Poems Wanted!

The next issue of The Canadian Unitarian will be published mid-March. Do you have a short poem that might fit with the themes of spring, renewal, the new Vision of Interdependence, love, justice — or anything that you think speaks to these times and challenges? Please email it to Janet Vickers at [poetry@cuc.ca](mailto:poetry@cuc.ca) by February 8th.



### Artarians

Caroline Kuwika, a member of the North Shore Artists Guild, will be showing her art work in the Sanctuary in February. Her favourite subjects are found in nature which she paints from her own unique perspective in watercolor and acrylic.

~ Marguerite Mahy

### Gentle Yoga

Join certified yoga instructor Heidi Joffe for gentle yoga sessions, appropriate for all skill levels, from 9:30 to 10:30 in our Sanctuary on Tuesday & Friday mornings. Suggested drop-in price: \$10-15 (\$5 for Seniors) with discounts available for purchasing multiple sessions. Questions? Contact Heidi at 604-922-1565 for more info — or drop in on a Tuesday or Friday!



## Youth Group



Meike Schieb  
Youth Program Coordinator

### Coming in February

February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6pm	CoA DTES Scavenger Hunt
February 4 <sup>th</sup>	until 10am	CoA DTES Scavenger Hunt follow-up
February 5 <sup>th</sup>	7-9pm	Youth Group
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	6:30-8pm	Grade 12 Meeting – Offsite
February 12 <sup>th</sup>	(NO YOUTH GROUP ON FAMILY DAY WEEKEND!)	
February 19 <sup>th</sup>	12:30-2pm	Youth Ministry Team Meeting
	4:30-6:30pm	Coming of Age Meeting
	7-9pm	Youth Group
	7-9pm	Parents' Meeting + Joined Youth Group
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	5:30-7pm	YAC Meeting
	7-9pm	Youth Group

**W**e had many youth-led youth groups in January, where we embraced the topics of starting fresh and setting goals. We also witnessed how talented all of our youth are at the yearly NSUC Talent Show! What a blast! February will be a fun month for our youth, as well.

In February, the Coming of Age youth will participate in the Downtown Eastside Scavenger Hunt, followed by an overnight of discussion and sharing. This will be an educational and insightful experience for them.

To foster connection between parents of youth, we will host a special and new event on February 19<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm - a Parent Meeting followed by a joined youth group. All parents of youth are invited to join us to re-connect with one another and chat about the youth program. We will meet in the Rod Stewart (Kuddles) building, Room 305. After the parents' check-in, all parents are invited to join the youth during their regular youth group, and get a taste of what it is all about! Please save the date in your calendar!

“GREAT THINGS NEVER CAME FROM COMFORT ZONES!”  
~ Unknown

## Thank You

### Special Thanks to Our Youth Advisors

Thank you to all the youth advisors who support the youth group on a weekly basis! From left to right in picture below: Sacha Wassick, Bruce Grierson and Kit To.

Paul Symons (pictured at right) is not only a youth advisor, but he also co-facilitates the Grade 12 program with Meike. Without this team the youth program would not flourish as much as it does. THANK YOU!



# February 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 6:30pm Sanctuary Rental	<b>2</b> 11am Administrators' Mtg Noon –Art Hanging in Sanctuary 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	<b>3</b> 9:30am Yoga 5pm Ministers' Canvass Reception 6pm DTES Scavenger Hunt	<b>4</b> 8am DTES Scavenger Hunt 3pm FF Karaoke Set-up 7pm FF Karaoke
<b>5</b> (Superbowl Sunday) 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45am Soup & Sign First Responders Cards Noon—Children's Choir 7pm Youth Group	<b>6</b> 7:30pm Meditation	<b>7</b> 9:30am Yoga 6pm G12 Mtg (offsite)	<b>8</b> 10am Facing Death with Life 6:30pm Sanctuary Rental 7pm Board Mtg	<b>9</b> 10am Meditation 12:30pm Cronies 1pm Staff Mtg 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	<b>10</b> 9:30am Yoga 10am Hopes & Histories (offsite) 7:30pm Jammin' with the Band	<b>11</b> 5:45pm FF Shipwreck Set-up 6:45pm FF Shipwreck Event
<b>12</b> 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45am Sign First Responder Cards Noon—Beginners' Choir 1pm Fun Shui Social Walk (offsite)	<b>13</b> 7:30pm Meditation FAMILY DAY OFFICE CLOSED 	<b>14</b> (Valentine's Day) 9:30am Yoga	<b>15</b> Noon Care & Concerns Mtg 6:30pm Sanctuary Rental 7pm Calendaring Meeting <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>16</b> 10am Book Group 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice 7pm Hopes & Histories mtg (offsite)	<b>17</b> 9:30am Yoga 7pm Choir Retreat	<b>18</b> 10am Hopes & Histories (offsite) 10:30am Choir Retreat (Offsite) 6:30pm FF USB Concert set-up 8pm FF USB Concert
<b>19</b> 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45am Lunch 11:45 UU101 Noon—Allegra Choir 12:30pm Youth Min Team Mtg 4:30pm COA Mtg 7pm Youth Group 7pm Youth-Parent Mtg	<b>20</b> 7:30pm Meditation	<b>21</b> 9:30am Yoga 6:45pm Children's Program Mtg. 7pm Hopes & Histories (offsite) 7:15pm Governance Mtg	<b>22</b> 10am Facing Death with Life 6:30pm Sanctuary Rental	<b>23</b> 10am Meditation 12:30pm Cronies 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	<b>24</b> 9:30am Yoga 6pm FF Pizza/ Scrabble set-up 7pm Pizza/ Scrabble event 7pm FF Feasting on Films	<b>25</b> 10am FF Meyers Briggs event 2pm Book Sale set-up Circle Meals (offsite, times vary)
			Lynn is away			
<b>26</b> 10:30am Sunday Service Noon—Book Sale Noon—Children's Choir 5:30pm YAC Mtg 7pm Youth Group	<b>27</b> 7:30pm Meditation	<b>28</b> 9:30am Yoga	<p>Calendar events often change without notice. See our most up-to-date calendar on our website <a href="#">HERE</a>. (Click on News &amp; Events on the main menu).</p>			
	Lynn is away					




## Unitarian Family Camp June 2-4, 2017

Set in the natural splendor of Port Moody's Belcarra Regional Park, the camp offers swimming, boating, hiking, climbing, children and youth programs, a choral workshop for youth/adults, campfires and other fun communal events.

Heated cabins with electricity. Meals provided.  
*Note: You do not need children to attend Family Camp!*

**Early bird registration deadline: Sun. March 19**  
Early bird rates: Adults: \$145\*; Children/Youth: \$133\*.  
Register early, save, and help out the planning committee!

Download a brochure/registration form at  
<http://beaconunitarian.org/index.php/camp/>

 To see a fun video created by Ross & Gaby Harvey of Jazzfly Productions of our 2016 camp, go to Youtube and search for "Camp Sasamat hosted by Beacon Unitarian".

\*Rates to be confirmed

# Come outside and play!



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*... meeting in Squamish  
and Tseil-Waututh  
traditional territory*

### Lay Chaplains

Our Lay Chaplains perform  
Rite of Passage and  
Life Transition Ceremonies to  
mark important milestones.

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and sexual orientations  
in our faith community.