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The LEAVES

EMERSON UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

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Rev. Matthew McHale, Minister
Lynne Masuhara, President

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.



February's Theme: Trust

February 3rd - "Losing Trust" - Rev. Matthew McHale; Julie Borden, Worship Associate

Trust is an essential element of society, yet all around us, our sense of trust is eroding—in institutions, in leaders, in experts, in each other—and the consequences are dramatic. *Part one of a two-part series.*
Special Music: "Give Yourself to Love" by Kate Wolf; performed by the Emerson Choir

February 10 - "Earning Trust" - Rev. Matthew McHale; Todd Covert, Worship Associate

Trust is not something we are entitled to, it is something we must earn, or in some cases regain. How can we cultivate, earn and regain trust? How much trust do we owe others? *Part two of a two-part series.*
The Emerson Choir will sing Al Shlosha by Allan Naplan

February 17 - "Qurb: An Exploration of Trust as Intimacy with the Divine"

Essayan Hart, Guest Speaker; Melissa Marote, Worship Associate

This morning we will explore our relationship to trust, in each other and in what we choose to call sacred. In cultivating deep trust with **things-as-they-are**, we begin to see our experiences as teachers and performances of the sacred. We wrestle with the burdens handed to us; but given the choice, would you take someone else's journey? What did you come here to learn; to teach? Are you willing to consider that even your deepest wounds are subject to a universal law? **Essayan Hart** graduated from Starr King School for the Ministry in 2013, where she studied under many powerful teachers, most prominently Dr. Ibrahim Farajaje (peace be upon him). She is an abstract painter who works with the transformative friction between the sacred and mundane in her art practice. Her personal practice is rooted in Paganism, Sufism, Buddhism and the Abrahamic Narratives. The Em Band will play this Sunday.

February 24 - "Can You Trust Yourself" - Rev. Matthew McHale; David Early, Worship Associate

One key aspect of Unitarian Universalism is a commitment to searching, seeking and questioning. Yet many of us can be remarkably certain that we have the right answers, not just in relation to Theology, but also our political analysis, or whether a movie was any good. What are the benefits of being willing to wrong.
The Emerson Choir will sing "Cherish Your Doubts" by Elizabeth Alexander.



Please join us at our upcoming Semi Annual Congregational Meeting. Agenda items include:

- Election of Officers to the Board of Trustees [President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Trustee-at-Large]
- Update on Roofing & Solar Projects
- Reports from the Minister, Pres., R.E. Dir., Treasurer



What Does It Mean To Be a People of Trust?

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Board of Trustees Meeting - HZXdcY'B dcYVh"; /(%eb
Emerson Luncheon (Away) ""HZXdcY; gYVh""&&/(%Vb
Plant Based LA- HZXdcY'fi; dj g] ; gYVh""+(%eb

Environmental Justice Ministry ""HZXdcY'Hj cYVh""Cddc
Elder's Circle Mtg#""7] g'Y1] j gYVh""&&/(%Vb
Vegetarian Dining Club ""1] g'YHmj gVh""+/%eb
EUUC Book Club ""AVhi 1 j ZhYVh""; /(%eb

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Plastic Action Afternoon ""?d'c'j h Saturday, February 2' at 2 pm""[dgV' Hj eZgb Vg Zi 'HXVkcZc\Zg'=j ci# 'L Z aab ZZi 'Vi : b Zghdc!\Zi'hdb Z'c[dgb Vi'dc'VcY'] ZVY'dj i'c'\gdj eh'id'Vh' adXVahidg' b VcV\Zgh'id'e] VhZ'dj i'h'c'a'z'j hZ ead'hi Xh#: b V'aVccV# \cZg5 \gZceZVXZ#dg id'GHKE'dgl' f] j Zhi'dch#

Monthly Meeting ""Sunday, February 10 at noon""L Z aay'hXj hh'deedgj c'f'Zh'id'g'Zy XZ'j hZ'd[ea'hi Xh!['\] i'[dhh'a [j Zaedaaj i'dc!'heg'ZY'hda'gedl Zg'eVg'X'eViZ'c'dV' hZZY'ac'e'a/ci'c'h!\VcY'di] Zg'hj Zh'cZVgVcY'YZVg'id'i] Z] ZVgh'd[: b Zghdc'Vch#7gc'\ndj geVhh'dc'VcY'ndj g'YZVh'VcY'd'c'j h""AZY'Wh'Xd"[VX'af'Vi'dgh'MdX] f'a'c' a' Zhdc'VcY G] dcYV'G'X] Vg'E'a'c'



EMERSON BOOK GROUP: ""?d'c'j h""dc'Tues. Feb. 26th @ 7:30 pm""c'i] Z'E'Vk'ad'c#L Z b ZZi'b dci] an'j hj Van'dc'i] Z'[dj g] '1 j ZhYVh#HiVn'ij cZY'[dgi] Z'g'hj ah'id'[dj ghZaXi'dc ZkZc'e'\id'WZ'] Zaf'edg] Zaf'dc'Vc'j Vg' . i] #6a'Vg'1 Z'adb Z'id'd'c'j h#8dciVXi **Louise Rovner (818) 621 9628-cell; (818) 884 9178- home; louiserovner@sbcglobal.net**

EMERSON HIKING CLUB: 'Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m. CZmi ZnX'c'e\YZhi'c'Vi'dc'/Saddle Peak. 6th highest peak in the Santa Monica

Mountains) Trailhead: Stunt Road & Schueren Road, Malibu 90265; park on the side of the road. No parking fee. B ZZi'Vi: b Zghdc'JJ'8] j gX] eVg'c'\adi'5 **8:30 a.m. Feb. 2nd.** L Z'1' a XVgedda'id'dj g'YZhi'c'Vi'dc!]' ^Z'Vh'[Vg'Vh'ZkZgndcZ'h'Xdb [dgVW'V' VcY'ea'c'id'g'Zij g'Wh'&%%eb # : djb dg'YZiV'h'ndj 'b Vn'XdcivXi [6YVb C5 V'%%&%%&Xdb](#) 1 f] j Zhi'dch#



NEWCOMER'S GATHERING/6g'ndj'cZi' 'edg[V'gn'cZi' f'id': b Zghdc'4L Z'Vg'Z'] Vkc'\V'cZi' Xdb Zgh'\Vi] Zgc'\dc Saturday, February 9th, 3 to 5 pm#1] h'h'X] VcXZ'[dgcZi' (ish)'eZde'ad'b V'Z'XdccZXi'dch'1 f] c'i] Z': b Zghdc Xdb b j c'fn'VcY'id'zVgc'b dg'VWdj i: b Zghdc'c'V'XVhj VahZii'c'c'f'?'d'c'GZk#B Vii] ZI '!dj g'Eg'h'YZci!'AncCZ B Vhj] Vg'!1] d'h' dhi'c'e'i] Z'V'i] Zgc'\Vi'] Zg] dj hZ &%) (&'A'b ZgX' '6kZ#8) Vihi dg] VcY'di] Zgb Zb WZgh'd [i] Z': b Zghdc'Xdb b j c'fn#1] Zg'1' a'W'h'c'VX' h'Ygc'h'VcY'\ddY'XdckZghVi'dc!'Vandj'] VkZ'id'Vgc'\h'ndj ghZd# 8] 'ag'c'Vg'1 Z'adb Z' **RSVP by Friday, February 8th at noon, to revmatthew@emersonuuc.org**

PLANT-BASED LOS ANGELES: Friday, Feb. 8th & 22nd, 7-9 pm'c'i] Z'HVcXij Vgn#Join us for a discussion of a whole food, plant-based (WFPB) diet. Open to all, wherever you are on your path of healthier eating. This plant based diet with no added oil - which we share with you along with recipes and cooking demos-is healthy for us, the climate, the planet, the animals and the farm workers! **Contact: Leslie Reuter, sustainableselectionsllc@gmail.com**



VEGETARIAN DINING CLUB Dc'Sat. Feb. 16th""5 '+/%%EB !'1 Z'1' a' Vkc'V'WZa'Vi'KV'aci'cZ'h'9Vn l f] 'ig' an'Vb Vo'c'e\ [V] mib ZVih'c'c'dcZ'd[i] Z'Xdo'Zhi'ea'XZh'd[i] Z'KV'azn/ **The Vegan Joint at 10855 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills 91364 (near corner of De Soto Ave); (818) 884-6383** 6h'Va Vnh!'i] Z'Xdhi'h' &'eZgeZghdc#L] d h'j c'g'n'4E'zVhZ'XdcivXi'1 g'Xn'L Vihdc f'ndj'ea'c'id'ViiZcY/tracyjwatson@yahoo.com dgXV'ae' -' '+' %' .) * &dg'Wh'iZm'tZkZc'e'h'f#



EMERSON'S LUNCHEON""CZmi'Aj cX] Zdc: kZci'1' a'W'/Fri Feb. 8th hiVg'c'e'\Vi' **11:30 am** 'Vi' i] Z **Szechwan Garden Chinese Restaurant, 8399 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Canoga Park.** &(%) PdXViZY'j hi'cdg] 'd['GdhXdZ'c'AdZi' Zfh'eVg'c'e'\adi'Rin their private room. Come share both Chinese and Japanese dishes plus some fun with those who attend Emerson UU Church. E'zVhZ'GHKE'E'Vi'A'c'YZcVj Zg'Vi'Ve'Vi'ac'YZc5 \b V'adb 'dgXV'ae] Zg'-'&'-'%' , +(' 'hd'h] Z a 'cdl'] dl 'b Vcn'id'g'hZgkZ'[dgf#



ELDER'S CIRCLE - Dj g'cZm Elder Circle l 'æb ZZi'dc i] Z **third Thursday of Feb. (Feb. 21st: Vi 10:30 am c i]** Z EVk'ædc#L Z l 'æ'Xdcic'j Z'dj g'Y'hXj hh'dc'd[c'j ig'f'dc'VcY'dj g'c'Y'k'Yj VácZZYh'VcY'X] Vc\Zh'Vh'l Z'] VkZ'\diiZc dā/Zg#L Z l 'æiVā 'VWdj i 'WZhi'h'dj g'XZh'd['WZg'hdb Z l Vnh'id'Xj i 'XVgWd] nYgViZ'Xg/k'c' 'VcY'di] Zg'ide'Xh# 'j'ndj cZZY'igVchedgVi'dc!eāVhZ'XVæ=ZVi] Zg'B ZYk'f'o'£- &-' ' ' ") (%'dgEVi'Andc'£- &-' () &. (') f'id'hZZ'f'i Z'XVc VggVc\Z'V'gYZ'[dgndj #Add' c'[dg Vg'i'd'hZZ'c'ndj ""=ZVi] Zg#B ZYk'f'o\$ #B#1 ZVb

FROM THE GARDEN

6'EdZb ""Wh: gX'HX] b Yi

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Latent power

Like an unopened flower

Like an unfinished tower

Like an unmet hour

Like a hidden unused bower

Existential Potential

Is not inconsequential

But rather reverential

And essential

For being influential

Which will become evidential

When one reaches their full potential.



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Eā/ciZY'c'9ZXZb WZg] Zg'Ed'chZii V'eā/cih""  
*Euphorbia ( Poinsettia ) pulcherrima*, native to Mexico and Central America with lobed leaves and brilliant-colored petal-like bracts. Also,

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look for beets (*beta vulgaris*) planted this Winter in Emerson's garden which should be ready to harvest this Spring.

*****VOLUNTEERS, YOU ARE IN HIGH DEMAND!** I] Zg'Vg'Xj ggZcian'deZc'c'h'[dg'7dVg'f'b Zb WZgh'[dgV 7j 'æ'c'VcY'<gdj cYh'iZVb !VcY'[dgV; c'VcXZ'B VcV\Zg] Zg'Vi": b Zghdc# *If not you, then who? If not now, then when?* 'j'h'i'b Z'id'Vh' cdi'dcan'I] Vi'ndj gX] j gX] 'XVc'Yd'[dgndj !Wj i'l] Vi'ndj 'XVc'Yd'[dg: b Zghdc#EāVhZ'hZZ'Vcn **NomCom member** Eāc'YV; f'oVZg'ā!A'c'YV'O'b b Zg'p Vc!Hj hVc'H'h' c!VcY'l g'Xn'L Vihdci'VcY'Zmæd'g'ndj g'dei'dch' ***

[Photo: New roof work Over R.E. /Head Start Rooms - Jan. 2019]



[Photo: Virginia Margerum- B-Day-EUUC Luncheon-1/11 /19]

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**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS ....time to celebrate!!**



- Ben Emery** 4th Feb.
- Carolyn Martin** 10th Feb.
- Audrey Hake** 11th Feb.
- Jacob Kajiwara** 13th Feb.
- Mara Houdyshell** 17th Feb.
- Dick Patrick** 21st Feb.
- Jay Rabizadeh** 22nd Feb.
- Li Liu** 26th Feb.
- Philip Walsh** 26th Feb

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I d'k'Zl 'i] Z **Emerson Calendar online!** <http://www.emersoncalendar.com> | | # nX] j gX] ZkZcih#db \$XVā'cYVg\$*. +) ! (*, \$b dci] \$ %& "% "%&

