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Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 10:30am CST. We are located at 261 Hidalgo, Riberas Del Pilar. To participate on Zoom use this link:

Sunday Service Zoom Link

# Celebrate Mexican Independence Day Saturday September 16

**Click for Order of Service** 

THIS WEEK: SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

"9/11 Story"



Presenter: Bethany Ann Putnam Service Associate: D'Vorah Kelley

Twenty-two years ago, Bethany was the foremost expert on domestic disaster relief and volunteer coordination within the Episcopal Church. Her experience and training led to being hired immediately

following 9/11, as the Disaster Director of St. Paul's Chapel at Ground Zero in New York City. Bethany will provide a first-hand account of the days immediately following the attacks.; her stories will paint a picture of a city that came together and took care of each other in the most basic of ways.



# Rest In Peace Kathy Koches

We lost one of our charter members, Kathy Koches, this week. Kathy loved to laugh, and sing, and chat. Whether it was the goddess course, or the Red Hats, or a choir, or lost dogs, or our

Sunday Services, if there was a job to be done, Kathy was there. If there was fun and laughter, Kathy was probably leading it.

It is truly not possible to list all the things that Kathy did for our fellowship and our larger community. It is too long a list, and Kathy would rather have us toast to her life well-lived.

**Editors Note:** Kathy was the monthly newsletter editor from 2018-2023 as well as guest editor prior to 2018. It was with her help that we were able to transition to what is now a weekly newsletter. She will be missed in so many ways.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday
September 17th
"Minimalism"

Rev. Matt Alspaugh

Rena Swan: Service Associate



While minimalism developed as a style of art and architecture, it has been extended to a lifestyle. This form of minimalism focuses on identifying what is essential in your life and eliminating that which is non-essential. However, life is more complex than this, and many people have pushed back on the minimalist aesthetic. We'll explore some of the complexities of living a minimalist life, and reflect on som of the spiritual aspects of such a life.

## Hola! We're All Invited To A Fiesta at St. Andrews

St. Andrew's Anglican Church is inviting LCUUF to their annual Mexican Independence Fiesta in their garden on



Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. This will be an opportunity for the Fellowship to socialize and explore the location that we will be moving to in 2024.

Sign up, order your lunch, and pay \$300mx per person at the Fellowship on Sunday Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> or 17th **or** email Barley Donahue <u>barleydonahue@gmail.com</u> and arrange payments by September 17<sup>th</sup>.

The fiesta will be catered by Viva Mexico and the cash bar will feature Viva Mexico's margaritas. Here is a schedule for this event:

- Reception: 1:00 pm featuring guacamole, salsa, and tortilla chips and cash bar
- Lunch: 2:00pm for those of you who pre ordered food. Note for lunch you must pre-order. To pre-orders please Select one: Chicken fajitas, beef fajitas, meat lasagna, gluten free veggie lasagna. Include your lunch selection when you sign up and pay at the Fellowship or with Barley.

### **Meet Our New Tech Team Staff**



#### **Fernanda Parra**

Fernanda Parra was hired in August to help assist the tech team. She is 21 years old and lives in Ajijic.
Currently she is in college studying engineering and Computer Science.
What she likes to do most is to write songs and sing, She has a band called Mary's Island that plays at restaurants and events around Lakeside. Their band has written and produced some original songs.
Fernanda is the lead singer and the rhythm guitar player.

**Note:** Fernanda sang during our services on September 3rd. If you were not lucky enough to hear her during this service here is a link to the service...enjoy



### Jesus Hernández Peraza

Jesus is a a visual artist interested in animation. He loves to travel and photography. I like to watch movies and play videogames in my free time. Jesus also does tech and website work at the Lake Chapala Society. Jesus also joined the tech team in August.

You can see a video of Jesus discussing his art at the Instagram ink below.

Hear Fernanda Sing

Hear Jesus Discuss His Art

# LAST CHANCE TO UPDATE YOUR LCUUF DIRECTORY INFO

The LCUUF Directory is **CURRENTLY** being updated. New members and Friends that would like to be included **please send** your information (name, phone, address, picture to <u>directory@lakechapalauu.org</u> to be included.



# **Upcoming Service Request**

Our service on Oct. 8, 2023 is "Animal Blessings". Please send one photo of the animal you want blessed by September 22nd to. <a href="mailto:roy\_haynes@aol.com">roy\_haynes@aol.com</a>. Include your animal's name.

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Missed Sunday's service? Here is the video recording for Sunday September 3rd.

Susie Lindeman & Jane Castleman, Service Associates

September 3, 2023

## **Weekly and Monthly Events**

Click on the + for info and links

**Humanist Discussion Group-Wed Sep 27 11am** 





Wednesday September 27th. 11:00am on Zoom (CST)

Demography affects each and every aspect of our lives – from the world economy and social policy, to city planning and climate change. Demographic analysis is key to understanding the complex dynamics shaping the future social landscape. We will explore how demographics are used as an indicator for these global changes. If you want to get the readings on this topic contact Bob Koches at: <a href="mailto:bobkoches@gmail.com">bobkoches@gmail.com</a>

Click to join on Zoom

Zoom Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Mondays

12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact <a href="mailto:CLuriaARNP@gmail.com">CLuriaARNP@gmail.com</a> for topics

Zoom Meditation Lessons: 3-4pm Thursdays +

Richard Clarke, Facilitator. To find out more contact: <a href="mailto:riberasmeditation@gmail.com">riberasmeditation@gmail.com</a>

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Coffee "Above" The Plaza: Thursdays 10:30am

Meet other UUs for weekly at Los Gringos (above the ice cream place) on the Plaza. Bring a friend!

Conversation is open to all questions. Email Richard Clarke at arunachalakindle@gmail.com

Click to join on Zoom



# Birthdays Through Sept. 17th

**Tonya Murphy 9/09** 

Marsha Waltz 9/11

Alan McKean 9/15

Marsh Buly 9/17

Heidi MacLennan 9/17

Do you have a news item you would like included? Contact us at:

editor@lcuuf.groups.io

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Monthly newsletters from 2015 through March 2023 are available on the website.

### Weekly newsletters are now online!

https://lakechapalauu.org/lcuuf-monthly-newsletters/.



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