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Universalist Fellowship



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Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 12:00pm CST. We are located at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, San Lucas 19, Riberas del Pilar.

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## UPCOMING SERVICES



## This Week: Feb 2, 2025

### "Practicing Radical Hospitality: Not So Easy"

**Presenter: Rev. Matt Alspaugh**

**Service Associate: Lynn Cleek**

Many organizations claim they are inclusive, but what does that mean? We can say that we welcome everyone, that all are included, but reality can kick in when we realize that diverse people may bring diverse ideas and behaviors. How many of those ideas are acceptable, even to a community that is open to diverse beliefs? What kinds of behaviors are acceptable, even in a 'tolerant community? We'll explore radical hospitality as a way to be more inclusive to everyone, from those who are just curious about us, to our longest-term members.

## Next Week: Feb 9, 2025

### "Everything Is A Holy Miracle"

**Presenter: Rev. D'Vorah Kelley**

**Service Associate: Sandy Wallon**

"The challenging thing becomes, not to look for miracles, but finding where there isn't one." These words from "Everything is Holy Now" by Peter Mayer, who plays in Unitarian churches, offering up his non-religious spirituality through consistently compelling song. This song is the basis for this service, seeking to make words like "holy" and "miracle" more easily understood – that if we put our awareness on what is happening all around us can be seen as both holy and miraculous.

As part of the service, film maker Andrea Sandler will share the trailer for "The Sacred Run" the lotus and the flower".

Then on Friday, February 14th from 4-6:30 the 55-minute film will be shown in the sanctuary, followed by a Q&A and a fire ceremony in the garden.



## Thank You For Your Generosity

Because you gave so generously, last month's Share The Basket recipient Tepehua will receive **\$802.83** (14,451 pesos)

## Final Pledge Status for 2024/25:

Total Pledges = 943,660 pesos

Total Pledge Payments = 819,013 pesos

Pledge Collection Rate = **86.8%**



## LCUUF Women's Brown Bag Lunch

LCUUF women meet at Trudy Crippen's on the 4th Monday of each month at 12:00 PM. Thank you Lorna for the great photo from the most recent lunch

*Lakeside* **DayBreak**  
Dementia Support 

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WhatsApp: +52 314 150 5966

## You Are Invited

Every year, 10 million new cases of Dementia are diagnosed.

Such diagnoses can be very scary and lonely. It's important to overcome the fear factor of diagnosis and the inability to discuss. If you are one of the millions who are dealing with Dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) you have probably wished that families, friends, health professionals, and other members of your community, could hear and understand your thoughts and feelings. We can help you make that happen. We invite you to an interactive performance program that fosters conversation and understanding in the community.

Through our "To Whom I May Concern ®" Program (TWIMC) we provide a safe place for individuals to talk about their diagnosis, fears, needs and future.

The TWIMC project involves a trained facilitator and a focus group of people living with Dementia or MCI. Together, they co-create a script, written as a series of letters addressed "To whom I may concern ®" that reflect the unique experiences of the group and the message they wish to convey to the audience.

The performance at the end of your discussions is like adding a two-way mirror to a meeting room, allowing care partners and the general public to listen and learn.

This is a rare opportunity for people with dementia or MCI to speak without being interrupted. If you are interested in being part of this small group (maximum 10 people) or wish more information, please send us an email at:

**Lakesidedaybreak@gmail.com** or Call or WhatsApp: **+52 314 150**

**To register please click here:** <<https://form.jotform.com/250175578897879>>;



## February Humanist Discussion Topic

Our Humanist Discussion for Feb. will focus on disinformation and the rise of the oligarchs globally and its threat to democracy. We will also look at the rise of autocracy and from the lens of history how oligarchy has also been with us.

The Humanist Discussion Group will meet **Wednesday Feb 26** at 11am Central

Standard Time Via Zoom. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86577912863>

If you wish to be added to the reading list contact Bob Koches at [bobkoches@gmail.com](mailto:bobkoches@gmail.com)



## Monthly Women's Group Brown Bag Lunch!

In addition to the 1st & 3rd Mon ZOOM women's group meetings we are adding an IN PERSON BROWN BAG LUNCH at 12N on the 4th Monday. Please contact Trudy if you plan to attend.

trudycrippen@gmail.com

## WEEKLY AND MONTHLY EVENTS

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**Humanist Discussion Group Wed. Feb 26-11am**

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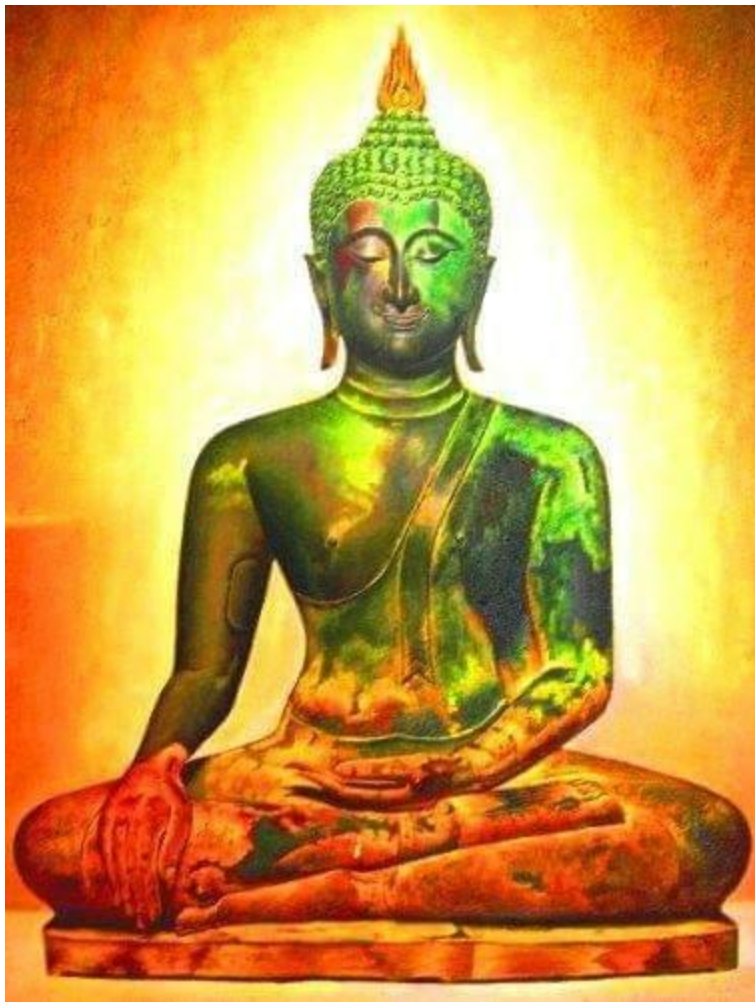
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[Click to join on Zoom](#)

### **Women's Group: 1st , 3rd and 4th Mondays** +

12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact [CLuriaARNP@gmail.com](mailto:CLuriaARNP@gmail.com) for topics. Now you can join us for a brown bag lunch on the 4th Monday of each month at Trudy Crippen's house. RSVP Trudy if you plan to attend. [trudycrippen@gmail.com](mailto:trudycrippen@gmail.com)

### **Zoom Meditation Lessons: 3-4pm Thursdays** +



Mindfulness is the fountain of youth for the mind. It enhances clarity, boosts mood, and keeps stress at bay. Meditation not only helps you age gracefully but also lets

you savor life's every moment. Richard Clarke, Facilitator. To find out more contact:  
riberasmeditation@gmail.com

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

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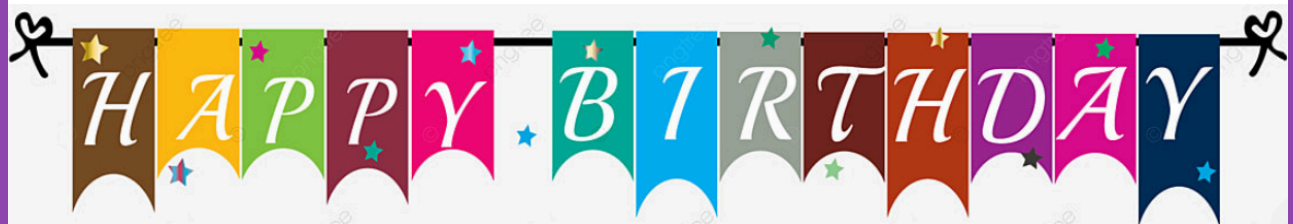
Meet other UUs for weekly conversations at Los Gringos (above the ice cream place) on the Plaza. Bring a friend!

### **Open Zoom Conversation: Fridays 2pm**

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

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## **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

**Eric Luria, February 1**



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