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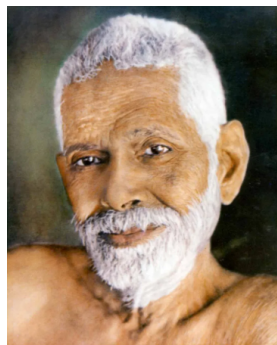
Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 12:00pm CST. We are located at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, San Lucas 19, Riberas del Pilar.

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UPCOMING SERVICES



This Week: Apr 13, 2025

**"The Inner Light of Truth:
Exploring the Parallels Between**



Next Week: Apr 20, 2025

**"The Preciousness and
Precariousness of our Planet"**

Ramana Maharshi and Gnostic Wisdom"

Presenter: Richard Clarke

Service Associate: Carol Johnson

Discover how the teachings of Ramana Maharshi and the mystical insights of the Gnostics align in their call to awaken the Divine within. Both traditions offer profound paths to liberation, emphasizing self-knowledge, spiritual awakening, and transcending the illusions of the material world. Join us as we explore these shared truths and uncover how they resonate with Unitarian Universalist values of inner light, spiritual growth, and personal exploration of the sacred. Together, we'll reflect on how these timeless teachings can inspire our own journeys toward truth and wholeness.

Presenter: Tim Boeve and Others

Service Associate: Sandy Wallin

On this Easter Sunday, which also features the last day of Passover, the Reverend Timothy Boeve will touch upon these significant religious festivals as he highlights what for him and others these events celebrate, Renewal and Freedom, respectively. However, with this particular Sunday falling two days prior to the 55th annual celebration of Earth Day, on April 22, Boeve will primarily focus his message on the peril and promise of living on our warming planet. His message titled "*The Preciousness and Precariousness of our Planet*," will provide the latest updates regarding climate change and potential fixes. One of these modest fixes is a local effort by a small team of Mexican residents planting trees around the shores of Lake Chapala. As such, included as part of Boeve's message a couple of representatives of *Siempre Verde* will make a brief presentation about their vital, environmentally focused work.



April Humanist Group Discussion: Wednesday, Apr 23rd

The Gaia hypothesis, formulated by James Lovelock and Lynn Margulis in the 1970s, suggests that Earth is a self-regulating system where living organisms interact with their surroundings to maintain habitable conditions. This theory proposes that the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere, and pedosphere are tightly coupled, evolving together to create an environment optimal

for life. Although initially criticized, the Gaia hypothesis has evolved to align with fields like Earth system science and biogeochemistry, with ongoing research exploring how life influences global temperature, ocean salinity, and atmospheric conditions. It also encourages a re-evaluation of human systems,

emphasizing their embeddedness within and dependence on the Gaian system, which influences political ideas, practices, and our understanding of sustainability. The Gaia hypothesis also inspires analogies and interpretations in politics, religion, and social sciences, prompting discussions about a cultural paradigm shift affecting science, morality, and the arts. This topic is in honor of Earth Day

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Video Recording For Sunday April 6



Mindfulness With Richard Clarke: Thursday April 10

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

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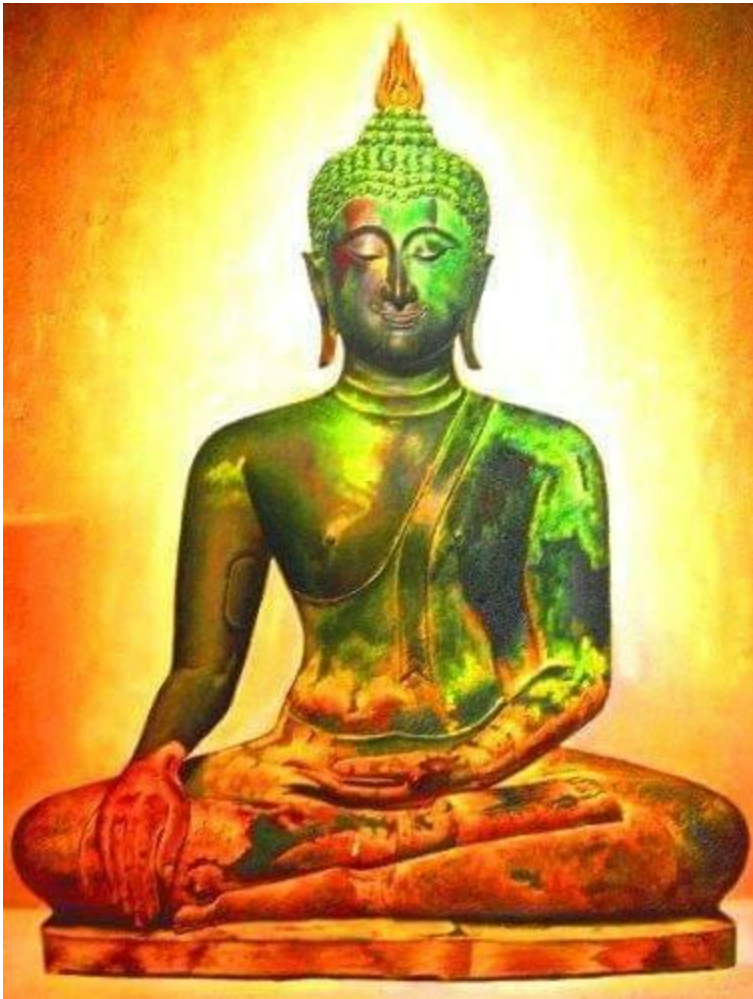
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Women's Group: 1st , 3rd and 4th Mondays +

12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact 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

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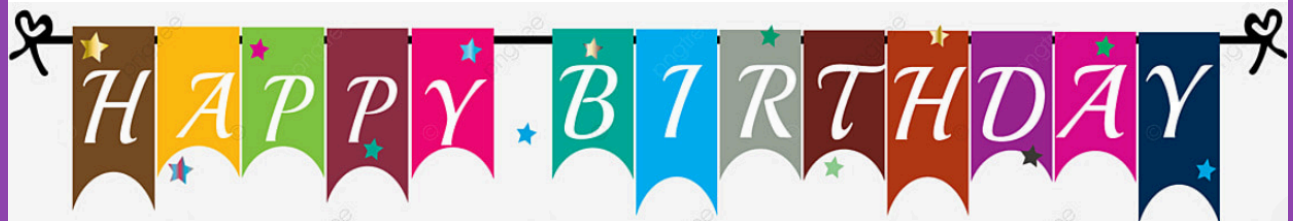
**Coffee "Above" The Plaza: Thursdays
10:30am** +

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 +

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

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Peter Jessen, April 16

Phillis Avalon Rosh, April 18

Myra Williams, April 18



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