



Our mission: CVUU strives to be a caring religious community that encourages and supports the sharing of ideas and experiences of all who travel rich and varied spiritual paths

Coming Home

The newsletter of the Cache Valley Unitarian Universalists

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Sunday Services

all services begin at 10am

February 3: Invisible People – Prisoners: Tara Hawkins

February 10: Love Poetry Readings

February 17: This I Believe: Carole Warburton

February 24: TBA

SUNDAY COMMUNITY DONATION (JANUARY, FEBRUARY)



CAPSA is a non-profit domestic violence, sexual abuse, and rape recovery center serving Cache County and the Bear Lake area. CAPSA provides support services for women, men, and children impacted by abuse. All of CAPSA's services are FREE and confidential.

IN OUR THOUGHTS



- ❖ Friends, members, and their families mourning the loss of loved ones
- ❖ Friends, members, and their families struggling with physical or mental illness and other life struggles
- ❖ ***We hold in our hearts all of those around the world in harm's way***

“We light this chalice, for the warmth of love, the light of wisdom, and the energy of action”

TARA'S CORNER



CVUU Lay Leader Tara Hawkins introduces the Lyric Repertoire Company at the Tabernacle Concert series. Photo credit, Julianne Larsen

This February, let's open our hearts and remember that there is no virtue in loving those that love you - virtue comes from loving enemies, loving negative and difficult people, loving those that are different than us.

One way to extend love to those people is to meditate or pray for them. Think about how you can make space for them in your heart. Extend a helping hand.

We are very lucky people. Our family, friends and neighbors help us all the time. They don't care about our politics, religion, or sexuality. They just see a need and fill it.

It is not fun to be so dependent on others. We strive every day to be independent. But people are so kind and caring that we let go of our pride and just love them back.

Just love.



Tara Hawkins, Lay Leader

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Feb
7**

SOCRATES CAFÉ will meet at the on the **first Thursday of the month** for stimulating questions and lively discussion. For more information visit the [Socrates Café page](#).

Contact info: Dave Christian at dchristian999@gmail.com

Thursday: 7 to 8:30pm

Juniper Room, Logan City Library: 255 North Main, Logan

**Feb
12-13**

*** PUBLIC LECTURES AT USU :**



Dr. Gary E. Machlis is University Professor of Environmental Sustainability at Clemson University, and served as Science Advisor to the Director, U.S. National Park Service (NPS) during both terms of the Obama administration. He was the first scientist appointed to this position within the NPS, and advised the director on a range of science policy issues and programs. *Details below.*

**Feb
12**

“The Politics of Science” The politics of science influences what scientific research is funded and who receives this funding, how science is conducted and by which institutions, the publication of scientific findings, and the application of research results to decision-making and government policy.

Now, more than ever, the influence of politics upon science is increasing, with significant implications for scientists, scientific careers, research universities, the scientific community, and society at large.

In this public lecture, Dr. Gary E. Machlis will discuss how politics and science are interrelated much more deeply than they first might appear, and what the consequences are for students, researchers, and society.

Tuesday: 3:00-4:00pm

Huntsman Hall 222, Utah State University campus

**Feb
13**

“Communicating Science”

Wednesday: 11:30am to 12:30pm

Huntsman Hall 222, USU Campus

**Feb
13**

“The Future of Conservation in America” This is a turbulent time for the conservation of America's natural and cultural heritage. From the current assaults on environmental protection to the threats of climate change, biodiversity loss, and disparity of environmental justice, the challenges facing the conservation movement are both immediate and long term.

Wednesday: 3:00-4:30pm Lecture and book signing

Huntsman Hall 326, Utah State University campus

* This event sponsored by: Utah State University's Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology, College of HaSS, Institute for Social Science Research on Natural Resources, College of Natural Resources, Institute of Outdoor Recreation and Tourism and the Ecology Center.

**Feb
16**

CHILI & IDEAS POTLUCK: Join us for food, fellowship, and discussion about the future of CVUU. Bring your best chili dish and/or fixins and ideas! Details to follow

Saturday: 6-8:30pm+

CVUU Kitchen / Sanctuary

**Feb
19**

CVUU BOARD MEETING: All are welcome. CVUU Members are encouraged to attend. Meets on the third Tuesday of the month.

Tuesday: 6-7:30pm

CVUU Kitchen



Board Meeting Highlights (Tues 1/15/19, 6pm)

- I. Revisit mission statement: Who Are We Now? CVUU needs concise mission, vision, and value statements (also more concise signage in yard/windows).
 - o We're hosting a "Chili and Ideas" potluck on Sat 2/16/19 at 6pm to solicit input from congregation -- bring your favorite chili or side dish.
 - o The board will consolidate that input at the next board meeting.
All are welcome!
2. We also discussed responsibilities for the new organizational coordinator (to-be-named) after Susan finishes the position in June.
3. The Worship Team needs you! Help us brainstorm services and recruit talented speakers.
4. In lieu of an elevator to the basement, we'll be installing an ADA lift to make the youth room more accessible, and replacing the heater to make it also more habitable.

Next meeting: Tues 2/19/19, 6pm in the CVUU kitchen
All are welcome!

*** POSITION OPEN: ORGANIZATIONAL COORDINATOR**

Susan will be resigning her position as CVUU Organizational Coordinator at the end of June. Contact Susan at coordinator@cvuu.org for more info if you are interested in this position.

- Fields inquiries coming in via the website and misc. items from UUA that need updating
 - Make sure people are on task with what needs to be done
 - Make sure contacts are kept up to date in newsletter, website, directory
 - Newsletter: request info, compile info, send out, add link to website
 - Website: Update content in a timely manner, ie. upcoming services, events, etc. update widgets, security, etc.
 - Keep up with social media posts, ie. Facebook
- * This is currently a paid staff position

SUNDAYS@CVUU VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

GREETERS: Are you outgoing and/or like to meet new people? Then, we need you as a Sunday morning greeter!

- Arrive at about 9:45am
- Welcome attendees
- Handout the Order of Service
- Direct newcomers / visitors to the Sanctuary
- Put up the screens when the service begins

KITCHEN / COFFEE SETUP:

- Arrive 20 minutes early
- Make coffee (instructions available) and plug in hot water urn
- Set out tea, creamer, sugar, etc.
- Set out mugs (plates / utensils, napkins when needed)
- Put out snacks from the (west) cupboard in the kitchen

That's it! Volunteer for one or the other either one time or as an on-going service to the church.

Contact Susan at Sundays@cvuu.org to see if either of these volunteer opportunities might be the right fit for you.

PLASTIC BAG BAN

Logan City Council will be holding a workshop (and eventual vote) on whether to ban single-use plastic bags within the city.

This process is expected to begin at a **public hearing on February 5th at 5:30pm** at the **Logan City Hall, 290 N 100 W**. Please attend, voice your opinions on this issue, and get involved. As a community, we should step forward for our local environment when such opportunities present themselves.

Also, if you are not aware the great damage that these types of plastic our doing to our planet, a few quick internet searchers will bring the issue into focus.

Educate yourselves and let local administrators know your thoughts!

Contact the [Logan Municipal Council](#)

ENERGY OF ACTION!

Many CVUUsers turned out at the Women's Wave march on Saturday, January 19th at the Cache County Courthouse.

Check out the [photo gallery](#) in the Utah Statesman!



Julianne and Tara attending the Women's Wave march in Logan.
Thanks to *Julianne Larsen* for the photo



Guest musician [Michael Mandrell](#) performs during a recent Sunday service. Michael is from Portland, OR and performs throughout the American west. Photo credit: *Susanne Janecke*



LEADERSHIP CONTACTS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Member at Large: *Jim Vandygriff*
Member at Large: *Jordan Leary*
President: *Anne Hedrich*
Secretary: *Ryan Berke*
Treasurer: *Lorien Belton*
Vice President: *George Wootton*

STAFF (PART-TIME)

Childcare Assistant: *Kirsten Mara*
Lay Leader: *Tara Hawkins*
Organizational Coordinator: *Susan Buffler*
Sunday Music Coordinator: *Lyndi Perry*
Worship Associate Coordinator: *Sondra Scott*

ACTION TEAM LEADS (VOLUNTEER POSITIONS)

Art: *Susanne Janecke*
Building Manager: *Liz Berke*
Cache Community Connections liaisons: *Tara Hawkins & Julianne Larsen*
Children's Program Coordinator: *Jordan Leary*
Administrator / Finance: *Lorien Belton*
Community & Caring:

- Membership: OPEN
- Fellowship & Hospitality: OPEN
- Caring: *Jim Evans*

Environmental & Social Justice: *Jenny Norton & Paul Rogers*
Grounds: *Jean Lown*
Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education: *Lorien Belton*
Special Committees:

- Nominations: *Susanne Janecke, Jenny Norton, Julianne Larsen*
- Committee on Ministry: *Susanne Janecke, George Wootton*

Sundays@CVUU Coordinator: *Susan Buffler*

BOARD LIAISONS

Building: *Ryan Berke*
Membership: *Anne Hedrich*
Religious Exploration: *Jordan Leary*
Worship Team: *George Wootton*

Feedback on Sunday services:
Susanne Janecke

DO YOU HAVE FEEDBACK FOR US ON CVUU SERVICES? Ideas, comments, or concerns about CVUU services? Please give compliments directly to those giving the services, but direct any complaints or concerns through Susanne.

Contact: Susanne Janecke is the main point of contact, regardless of who conducted the service: susanne.janecke@usu.edu

CVUU CALENDAR: FEBRUARY 2019

Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
 <p>All activities listed here are held at the Jay and Leslie Fellowship House located at 596 E. 900 North, Logan, UT unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>See the Connections tab on the cvuu.org website for details about our regular activities</p>					1 Cache Pride Center Teens 5-8pm	2
3 Sunday Service Invisible People - Prisoners	4 Cache Valley Buddhist Sangha 7:15pm	5 Cache Pride Center Pre-Teens Pre-Teens 5-8pm	6 Amrita Yoga Satsang 6:30pm	7	8 Cache Pride Center Teens 5-8pm	9
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Join us at 10am for Sunday Services at
The Jay & Leslie Black Fellowship House
596 E 900 North, Logan, UT
(435) 755-2888
info@cvuu.org



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[Welcoming Congregation](#)

Visit the [cvuu.org website](http://cvuu.org) to learn more about our church
community!



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