

**Sunday, April 16, 10:00 am**

**"It Ain't Necessarily So" by Rev. Mike Young**

The last 50 years of Biblical Scholarship suggest that those of you who can't quite accept Christian Orthodoxy are probably right, and the literature of the first three centuries CE are far more interesting – read in full linguistic, historical and cultural context – than you were taught in Sunday School. (Homework: The Biography of the Bible, by Mike Young, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oPdmXzJJAYI>).

## **WORSHIP PROGRAM**

**Communication, Coordination, Community!**

Contact: Jim Cooper, Worship Coordinator | [jim.c.cooper@gmail.com](mailto:jim.c.cooper@gmail.com) or Martina Queenth, Worship Team Chair | [martinaq@juno.com](mailto:martinaq@juno.com) | 808-595-4047

## **Future Shapers Workshop - April 16, Sunday**

The Future Shapers project needs your help in guiding our Church from aspiration to action. What actions do we need to take in the present to become the Church we aspire to be in the future? We already know how to do this. If we apply our collective wisdom to the task, we can make it happen.

We will hold a workshop after worship this Sunday, April 16, in the Sanctuary. Our goal is to draft action commitments that will fulfill our aspirations for each of our seven themes: Worship, Ministry, Social Justice, Religious Education, Public Presence, Community and Sense of Place.

We will conduct a second action commitment workshop on Sunday, May 14.

In fellowship,  
The Future Shapers Team

**Talk Story about the church every Sunday in April at 9:00 am.** From The Board in the Fred Harper Room. *(Nancy Schildt)*

## **Mokuleia Church Family Camping**



May 5-7, 2017. Come join us for another fabulous weekend at the beach at Camp Mokuleia on Oahu's beautiful North Shore. Stay in the lodge or camp out in a tent. Tent campers have a choice of campsites – under trees, in the open field, alongside the beach, even under the stars. Two tropical beaches await us for swimming, snorkeling and sunbathing.

There are many relaxing spots for naps, meditation, conversation and celebration. Bring your own food or choose to eat in the camp dining hall by purchasing meals in advance.

Don't miss the No-Talent Talent Show Friday night! Saturday is a full day and evening of activities – swimming, reef walks, hiking, RE activities, art, our legendary potluck BBQ dinner, campfire, stargazing, and more. Sunday morning we'll offer a worship service followed by a potluck/leftover picnic lunch.

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This promises to be a blast! Contact Nancy Schildt, [nschildt707@gmail.com](mailto:nschildt707@gmail.com). Use the updated [Camp 2017 Registration Form](#), or sign up and pay online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-unitarian-church-of-Honolulu-camp-mokuleia-2017-tickets-32789564470> or <http://bit.ly/2mNDo9b>. You can also pay on the church website. Hit Donate! And choose Camp Mokuleia. (*Theresa Moorleghen*)

**UU Camp at Mokuleia - Talent Show**

We will be at Camp Mokuleia the weekend of May 5-7. One of our traditions on the Friday evening is the almost famous "No Talent Needed Talent Show." This a time for the ham in all of us to come out, a great inter-generational evening, and a wonderful way to start off our weekend together. Do you sing or play an instrument? Do you want to practice on us? Do your children do headstands, tell jokes, dance? Whatever you would like to do, we want to see it. Please sign up in advance with Catherine Graham ([catgraham48@gmail.com](mailto:catgraham48@gmail.com)). And by advance I mean, by Friday afternoon of May 5. This terrific show will be emceed by our own in-house comedienne, Charlotte Morgan. (*Catherine Graham*)

**It is Time to Dedicate Our New Children**

Mainstream Christian churches baptize their children to remove original sin. We UU's are not great believers in sin, original or not - but we are great believers in children and the responsibility of all of us to know, love and support our kids. We have a ceremony by which we dedicate our children into our care.

Our child dedication ceremony will be held on Sunday, April 23, during the church service. **If you would like your child/children dedicated please let Catherine Graham know by April 16 - Easter Sunday.** You can reach her at [catgraham48@gmail.com](mailto:catgraham48@gmail.com)

**Family Promise**

We need folks to prepare meals for our next rotation at Family Promise across the Pali at Nuuanu Congregational church the week of Monday, May 8 to Saturday May 13. This entails providing dinner for around 20 people – 3-4 homeless families, you and your family plus a couple of other volunteers. Let me know if you are interested and/or need more info. Catherine Graham: [catgraham48@gmail.com](mailto:catgraham48@gmail.com)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE PROGRAM**

**April Social Justice Action Events and Contact**

Watch the Weekly Bulletin for more Information

**April 15** – Honolulu AIDS Walk

**April 15** – Tax March Oahu

**April 22** – Earth Day

**April 29** – Oahu People's Climate March

Safety Dance at Club Safe Haven, 5:30-10pm @ the Church, Donate,

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Help, Participate!

Contact: Sue Yamane-Carpenter [syamanecarpenter@gmail.com](mailto:syamanecarpenter@gmail.com)

**April 30** – Social Justice Fifth Sunday 10am Service

contact: Deborah Bond-Upson, [Deborah@Learningbond.com](mailto:Deborah@Learningbond.com)

Social Justice Fifth Sunday 11:30 am StoryTelling Workshop

contact: Richard Valasek, [richard.valasek@gmail.com](mailto:richard.valasek@gmail.com)

**Social Justice Fifth Sunday – April 30!**

**“HĀ – Teaching Towards Peace from Hawaii” by Rev. Deborah Bond-Upson**

10:00 am SERVICE – Nā Hopena A’o or “HĀ” is the Hawaii Department of Education framework (**B**elonging, **R**esponsibility, **E**xcellence, **A**loha, **T**otal Wellbeing, and **H**awaii = BREATH) to promote learning. The six conditions for learning map to our UU 7 Principles. What is needed for learning is what we UUS recognize is needed for equitable, life-affirming, peaceful living. Honored teachers, students, and church members will share stories to inspire and celebrate. Worship Associate: Martina Queenth.

**“Folktales for Better Futures” with Craig Jenkins – April 30!**



11:30 am STORYTELLING WORKSHOP – Join storyteller Craig Jenkins (UK/India) to enjoy high-energy animal tales that reflect on contemporary social issues. Craig will demonstrate how the art of storytelling can be used to promote understanding, justice, equality, and peace. Host: Richard Valasek.

**Social Justice Council**

The SJC engages and supports our Congregation and our Community in responsible and effective social action.

See <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/social-justice> for more info.

Please contact one of us if you are interested in joining:

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**Chalice Circles: Connect in a Caring Community**

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Connect with others via deep sharing and deep listening while benefiting from being part of a caring community of Unitarian Universalists and friends. Always open to new members, Chalice Circles are 5-10 people who meet twice a month for two hours to

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explore preselected topics. Membership requires commitment to regular attendance twice each month through June 2017.

Want to find out how to become a participant? Become a Chalice Circle Facilitator? Host a group? Contact Carla or Heather.

**Current Locations, Dates & Times**

**Hawaii Kai:** 2nd & 4th Mondays @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm

**Nu'uano:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Kailua:** 2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 3:00 – 5:00 pm

**Kaka'ako:** 2nd & 4th Mondays @ 6:30 – 8:30 pm

**Lower Manoa:** 1st & 3rd Mondays @ 6:30 – 8:30pm (*Carla Allison*)

**Bring Us Your Vodka, Your Sparkling Water...  
Your Wines Yearning To Be Sipped...**

At the April 29th Fundraiser, ***The Safety Dance at Club Safe Haven***, the bar will be serving beer, wine, Cosmos and sparkling water. Please help us defray expenses by donating wine (reds & whites), vodka, sparkling water, and/or beer.

**PLEASE PUT YOUR DONATIONS IN THE CHURCH OFFICE  
BY SUNDAY, APRIL 23.**

Please contact Charlotte Morgan ([lottefish@msn.com](mailto:lottefish@msn.com); 808-343-0137) for more details.  
(*Charlotte Morgan*)

**Brandi to Appear at Club Safe Haven for the Safety Dance..**

Brandi Morgan, the Queen of Honolulu stand-up comedy will be appearing at **Club Safe Haven** on April 29th.

Brandi was seen by many of us when she performed after the Women's March on January 21st. **For tickets go to:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/safety-dance-at-club-safe-haven-tickets-31610010392>, or contact Sue Yamane-Carpenter ([syamanecarpenter@gmail.com](mailto:syamanecarpenter@gmail.com)). Sue will also be selling tickets at First Unitarian on Sundays. (*Charlotte Morgan*)

**Tickets Available for the Safety Dance at Club Safe Haven...**

On April 29th, our Church will be transformed into **Club Safe Haven** for the **Safety Dance**. This event is to emphasize that our Spiritual Community is an Inclusive & Welcoming one.

**The Essentials**

Date: Saturday, April 29

Time: 5:30 to 10:00 pm

Tickets: \$60 per person which includes two free Beverages (Beverages include: Cosmos, Wine, Beer & Sparkling Water)

**We Will Enjoy:**

Music by our own Spirits...Musical Favorites from the last 5 decades...Dancing...  
Brandi Morgan, the Queen of Honolulu Comedy...Free Child Care...Gourmet

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Dinner...Free Drink Tickets...Live & Silent Auctions ...Madame V & Her Prophetic Tarot Cards.

You will be transported to upscale **Club Safe Haven** for the **Safety Dance**. (The rug has been pulled up from the floor of the Sanctuary and we will dance on a beautiful koa wood floor.)

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**Keep Up The Good Work!!!!**

You are sending wonderful pictures with your Newsletter copy.

Thank you for helping to make our Church Newsletter, **Kukui Lamalama**, more exciting. Pictures are always more effective than words in promoting what you do. Please continue to send your photos to [fuch-newsletter-team@googlegroups.com](mailto:fuch-newsletter-team@googlegroups.com). (Charlotte Morgan)

**Scholarship For Volunteers....**

Volunteers for the **Safety Dance** at **Club Safe Haven** are eligible for a discounted event ticket. You will receive all the perks of a full price ticket and your volunteer time will be clearly indicated so you may enjoy the wonderful party. Please contact Sue ([syamanecarpenter@gmail.com](mailto:syamanecarpenter@gmail.com)) or Charlotte ([lottefish@msn.com](mailto:lottefish@msn.com)).

**Help Wanted...Newsletter Editor**

After serving for several years as the editor of our Church Newsletter, **Kukui Lamalama**, the wonderful Aimee Olivera Sanchez will be leaving the Island with her family.

If you would like to help with this important news and archival publication, please contact Charlotte Morgan ([lottefish@msn.com](mailto:lottefish@msn.com); 808-343-0137).

**ADORE & "Hillbilly Elegy"...**

On Sunday, April 23, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, following the Service, we will hold our monthly **ADORE** (A Dialogue On Race and Ethnicity) meeting in the UU Church Sanctuary. Five volunteers will each present three chapters from J.D. Vance's book, "Hillbilly Elegy."

This book is an engrossing personal account of the author's growing up and absorbing the cultures of the Rust Belt city of Middleton, Ohio and the Appalachian town of Jackson, Kentucky. The presentations and ensuing discussion should shed some light on the November, 2016 election results.

Childcare will be offered during this meeting so, everyone, please join us!

**Oh, yes, and here is an additional housekeeping announcement...**

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Because 4th Sunday Lunches will be on hold for a while, for our April, May, and June **ADORE** meetings, we will switch the start time from 12:00 noon to 11:30 am, with pizza being ordered and delivered at 11:15 am. For April and June, the meetings will run from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. For the May 28th meeting, we will watch and discuss an amazing 2-hour movie called, "Color of Fear," so that particular meeting will run from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm, i.e., will last for three hours instead of the usual two hours. (*Jill Rabinov*)

### Time To De-Clutter???

If you have lovely art objects that you would like to go to a good home, please consider donating them to our April 29th Fundraiser, The Safety Dance at Club Safe Haven. They will be used for the Silent and Live Auctions.

Want to donate a service? We could also use those for the Service Auction. **PLEASE LET US KNOW BY SUNDAY APRIL 23RD WHAT YOU ARE DONATING.**

Please contact Sue ([syamanecarpenter@gmail.com](mailto:syamanecarpenter@gmail.com)) or Charlotte ([lottefish@msn.com](mailto:lottefish@msn.com)).

### Help Our Bottom... Line...

Our April 29th Fundraiser, **The Safety Dance at Club Safe Haven** has a goal of raising \$10,000 for our Beloved Community. You can help us achieve that by selling tickets to your friends.

The more tickets that we sell....the more \$\$\$ that we make...means a budget that will be in the **BLACK**.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

Tickets are available through Eventbrite:

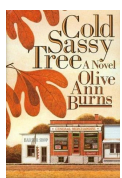
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Sue will also be selling tickets at First Unitarian on Sundays.

### Newsletter Deadline: Sunday, April 16th, Noon

Please send any copy and photos you have for the May, 2017 Newsletter to [fuch-newsletter-team@googlegroups.com](mailto:fuch-newsletter-team@googlegroups.com) by Sunday, April 16 at Noon. Typed copy may also be left in the Newsletter box, in the Church Office. (*Charlotte Morgan*)

### Book Discussion Group



**Wednesday, May 3rd, 2017 at 7:00 pm Fred Harper Room**

We will discuss *Cold Sassy Tree* by Olive Ann Burns. This is a historical novel told through the eyes of a 14 year old boy (Will Tweedy) about life, death, and social taboos in a small Georgia town in the early 1900's. The story begins with the announcement of his recently (three weeks) widowed grandfather's elopement with a much younger woman. (*Dan Curran*)

**GALLERY ON THE PALI Presents:**

**"Fabric from Art and Other Works" - Artwork by Richard Sullivan**

Honolulu's GOTP announces an exhibition of artwork by Richard Sullivan. The exhibition will run from April 8, 2017, to May 4, 2017, at GOTP, located at the First Unitarian Church at 2500 Pali Highway.

Artist's Reception: Saturday, April 8, from 6 to 8 PM. The public is invited.

**ABOUT THE EXHIBIT:**

This exhibition will feature original art which is digitized and manipulated in various ways then printed onto fabric. The exhibit will feature original art, digitized manipulation and enhancements, and panels of fabrics printed from them. Examples of clothing made from fabric produced in this manner will be featured as well as other works by the artist.

**BACKGROUND:**

Richard Sullivan is a retired architect following a lifelong fascination with color, texture, and pattern. His medium is tempera on paper because it is flexible, inexpensive and he can pursue various ideas without concern for wasting materials. Most of his work does not use identifiable imagery. It uses either complex geometric patterns, is torn in strips and woven or is similar to abstract expressionism. (*Marshall Heaney*)