



The View

March 2019

Granite Peak
Unitarian Universalist Congregation
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Worship Services: NOTE NEW TIME. All worship services are held at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted. We welcome all adults and children for the worship hour. Nursery care is available during the service. Sunday service topics may change without notice at the discretion of the speaker or because of other circumstances.

March 3: "Stewardship Sunday," Marianne Erickson.

GPUUC President, Marianne Erickson will be our worship leader today as we launch our 2019 stewardship campaign. Rev. Terry will be away this weekend. Children and youth will join us for the first part of the service and will be sung out to classes before the offering.

March 10: "This I believe."

Members of our congregation will lead the service this morning and share their personal religious and spiritual beliefs. This morning's service is the second in a series of several in which the religious diversity of our congregation will be lifted up, celebrated, and explored. Children and youth will join us for the first part of the service and will be sung out to classes before the offering.

March 17: "Spring Equinox," Sooz Resetar and Rev. Terry.

GPUUC member Sooz Resetar and Rev. Terry will co-lead a celebration of our solar system as we welcome the beginning of Spring. We are planning for this to be a multi-generational service in which children and youth will participate for throughout.

March 24: Rev. Christiane Heyde, topic TBA.

We welcome guest speaker Rev. Christiane Heyde this weekend. Rev. Heyde is a Unitarian Universalist minister and chaplain. Her sermon topic will be announced in the weekly news. Children and youth will join us for the first part of the service and will be sung out to classes before the offering.

March 31: "Words we would like to take back," Rev. Terry.

Rev. Terry will lead us in worship this week. She will explore the connection between our words and the universe! Children and youth will join us for the first part of the service and will be sung out to classes before the offering.

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Our Covenant: Love is the doctrine of this congregation, the quest for truth its sacrament and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, to serve others in community, thus do we covenant together.



Pillar and Cloud

Reverend Terry Cummings

I have been reflecting lately, with some indecision, on whether designating Black History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March) are sufficient, or appropriate, to acknowledge the role of people of color and women, respectively, in our shared American and World history.

It feels to me as if people of color and women have been relegated to a supporting, which means secondary, role in history; making a contribution to the whole but not really being a part of the whole. Whereas the reverse is true, the history that has been made, and that is continuing to be made, by African Americans and other people of color is all of America's history. The same is true for women in our country, and throughout the world.

There is an element of patriarchy, even colonialism, in designating months or weeks or days as history months for a class or classes of people, when every month, week, and day is filled with reminders of America's past, as well as of how deeply intertwined with the whole these groups are. The reminders pop up, for me, in the class system in particular, which continues to favor white males over all others.

And yet, I feel that it is important to recognize the heroic struggle against oppression, and the many achievements against the odds, of both people of color and women. These accomplishments, and the bravery and dedication of so many, should be lifted up as shining examples to all of the resilience and worth of the human spirit.

In his 1965 Ware lecture at the UUA General Assembly, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. emphasized the importance of constantly reinforcing the message that there is no such thing as an inferior race, lest we slip back into the evils of the past. Continuing to honor Black History Month is one way to reinforce that message, and so I think that Dr. King would have approved.

It is important to remember that Black History Month is the brainchild of an African-American professor of history, Carter G. Woodson, who wanted to raise awareness of African American's contributions to civilization. I think that is important, especially under the present circumstances, when racism both locally and in Washington has emerged from the shadows where it was hiding and is once again vocally assaulting human decency and dignity.

For example, W.E.B. DuBois (pronounced do-boy-zz) was in the opinion of many, including me, one of America's most important public intellectuals during the 20th century, and yet relatively few people, and in particular very few white Americans, seem to have even heard of him, much less read any of his great books.

Women's history month is a more recent event than Black History Month. It began as a week in 1978 organized by the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women to help address the absence in the K-12 school curriculum of classes addressing women's history.

The public response was highly favorable and the idea spread. In 1979, various groups came together to support an effort to secure a "National Women's History Week." In February, 1980 President Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th, 1980 as National Women's History Week, a move that was followed soon after by a Congressional Resolution for a National Women's History Week.

Within a few years, thousands of schools and communities were celebrating National Women's History Week, supported and encouraged by resolutions from governors, city councils, school boards, and the U.S. Congress.

By 1986, 14 states had declared March as Women's History Month. In 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.

Despite my reservations about having special months, I think that at least until the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is ratified by all

of the states and becomes a part of our law, a month dedicated to Women's history is important.

In his Presidential Message to the nation designating March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week, President Jimmy Carter noted that.

From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indian families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well. . . . Understanding the true history of our country will help us to comprehend the need for full equality under the law for all our people.

This goal can be achieved by ratifying the 27th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which states that "Equality of Rights under the Law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

If we were to designate a white history month, would we dedicate to the accomplishments of a few, such as Neil Armstrong's landing on the moon in 1969? Or would our country use that week to highlight the ongoing oppression of people of color in America.

A few weeks ago, a member of our congregation sent me a photograph of a sign outside a church in New York City that said that instead of building a wall on the Mexican border, we should build a mirror so that America can see itself as it really is.

I think that Black History Month and Women's History Month are useful ways of looking in that mirror, and so I feel we should continue to support them. Let us not forget the very important fact, however, that America's history is the history of women and people of color writ large.

March Message from the President

Marianne Erickson, President



Dear Granite Peak Members and Friends,

As I prepare for my role in Granite Peak's upcoming stewardship month to raise needed funds for our congregation's planned expenses for the fiscal year that begins July 1, I am very optimistic because of you! I know that you will respond very kindly to me as I speak briefly to you at the Congregational Dinner on March 2. And, I know that you will listen carefully, with support, to the "Sermon on the Amount" homily that I will deliver on Sunday, March 3.

And, finally, I also know that, if I am to call on you as your steward, that you will welcome my visit to you to explain the Congregation's budget request and the need for your increased financial support. Granite Peak's financial needs are greater this year because:

We are searching for a very highly qualified and "best fit" minister to serve our wonderful congregation that is in competition with 40 other congregations nationally;

We pledge that we will not return to the congregation for a "second supplementary pledge request" as we did last year, as that is not good congregational practice; and

We cannot plan to use any more special funds, like the minister's sabbatical fund to pay for operational costs.

I will try to remember to tell those of you who are 70-1/2 and older that you can send your pledge payments directly from your IRA to Granite Peak **with-**
out paying any taxes. •

Get ready for another busy, meaningful and important month for our congregation! Open your calendars and note these special dates that do not include all the regularly scheduled GPUUC events and activities:

Touchstones Journal "Truth":

[Click Here](#)

[Touchstone Discussion Guide A](#)

[Touchstone Discussion Guide B](#)

Friday, March 1, 11 a.m. – Celebration of Life Service at Granite Peak for long-time member, Dr. Goodie Berquist, followed by a luncheon coordinated by Charlotte Skuse and provided by GPUUC women's groups.

Saturday, March 2, 5:30 p.m. at Prescott College's Crossroads Café at 220 Grove Ave. – Our Annual Congregational Dinner for all GPUUC members and friends – please sign up by Sunday, February 24.

All are welcome to join us in celebrating our wonderful congregation at this free event.

Sunday, March 3 – Sunday, March 31 – Volunteer stewards conduct Granite Peak's Stewardship Campaign to provide funds for the next fiscal year. Please warmly welcome the dedicated volunteer steward who calls you!

Sunday, March 10 – Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter of Celtic Harps, Rare Instruments & Wondrous Stories come to GPUUC to play at our 10 a.m. service and for a Granite Peak Operating Budget fundraiser concert at 3 p.m. Tickets go on sale Sunday, February 24. Here is the link for ticket purchase: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4057125>. For more info call 805-525-4620.

Saturday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m. – Granite Peak's St. Patrick's Day Eve Party fundraiser dinner with Irish music, Irish dance, a corned beef and cabbage dinner and an Irish trivia contest.

Friday & Saturday, March 22-23 --Granite Peak's annual rummage sale; Preparations begin early that week!

Saturday, March 30 at 5:30 p.m. – "Paris in Prescott," featuring MINT Jazz Group, with delightful Dee Hams' songs, dancing, heavenly appetizers and sparkling beverages.

Gratefully, Marianne



Minister Search News

Greetings from your Ministerial Search Committee!

We have invited ministers to pre-candidate with us and are happy to report that we have received acceptances from ministers excited to visit us. After these visits we will submit a list of minister names to the UUA Transitions Office indicating whether we would be happy to invite that minister to candidate with us or not. The UUA uses this information to prepare us and the ministers for what might happen when offers to candidate are made at the end of March.

As we begin our annual Stewardship Campaign, please keep in mind the congregation's need to raise additional funds for our next settled minister's compensation package, moving expenses, and installation ceremony next fiscal year. Thanks for your financial support of great ministry at Granite Peak!

As usual, feel free to ask questions of any of us on the committee.



March 16, 2019

Even if you didn't register at the Fall Services Auction for the March 16 Patrick's Day dinner party at last fall's

Services Auction fundraiser, it is NOT TOO LATE to sign up by contacting Marianne Erickson by March 14. Tickets are \$25. Child care can be arranged, if reserved by March 10.

Here's the plan: Come at 5:30 p.m. for appetizers and a celebratory beverage (non-alcoholic drinks will be available.) Enjoy the Irish dancing entertainment to be performed by Sr. Anne Fitzsimons' dancing troupe. Visit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GU4oSaGawqg> for a preview! We will enjoy some bawdy Irish songs and sing happy birthday to a special Granite Peak guest!

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Dinner follows for all – vegans, vegetarians, chicken eaters and those who love corned beef and cabbage. A short Irish trivia contest is planned for this party! This event is being hosted by Marianne and Jon Erickson, but willing volunteers are gratefully welcomed!



Serving with Grace: A Short Workshop for Granite Peak Leaders

The Leadership Development Committee invites all current and potential Granite Peak leaders to join us in a short workshop based on the book *Serving with Grace: Lay Leadership as a Spiritual Practice*.

Our covenant includes the idea of service as prayer. Even if you've been a leader in other types of organizations, leaders of congregations like ours face special challenges. In this workshop we will explore how we might experience lay leadership as one of the spiritual practices offered to members of our religious community.

Can it really be possible, as many have claimed, that service of this kind is more than a chore, and can actually be a spiritual experience?

This workshop will be presented after the soup brunch on Sunday, March 24. It is open to all members of the congregation, especially present or potential members of the Board of Trustees, current or future chairs of committees and subcommittees, and anyone else participating or thinking about participating in the leadership or governance of the congregation.

Copies of the very short book *Serving with Grace* are available in the GPUUC library. Participants in the workshop are encouraged to read at least the Introduction (pp. ix-xii), The Spirituality of Service (pp. 1-9) and Bringing It All Together (pp 77-83) before the workshop.

For more information, talk to Frank Beeson, Mary Ann Clark, Clark Reid-McKee, or Jo Sprague.

YOU YOU: an open support group for people who want to deal with obstacles in their lives and explore moving forward, together. Facilitated by Joelle Katan. We'll create it together in the spirit of faith, deep listening, and collective wisdom. Meeting First and Third Wednesdays from 1 to 2 pm at Granite Peak UUC.



The Forum 9:30 am Wednesdays

Meetings are on Wednesdays from 9:30 am. to 11 am, with coffee and cold beverages provided. We won't solve all the world's problems, but we will discuss them and learn from each other.



Caregivers' Support Group now at 9:30 am

Our group will be meeting once a month and then according to the needs of the group. If you are a caregiver who feel you would benefit from sharing your experiences with others please join us on the **fourth Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am** at Granite Peak. For questions please contact Bobbie Bollinger.



Rummage Sale

March 22-23, Actual Rummage Sale

March 17-23, Rummage Sale week

Start collecting your items. Root your plants. No storage available. Items can be brought in to Granite Peak beginning on March 17 Questions, call Charlotte Skuse. **No emails please.**



Concerts, Concerts, Concerts

March 10 & March 30

**Sunday, March 10
at 3:00 PM**

Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter will be performing rare instruments and stories at Granite Peak UU Congregation in Prescott on Sunday, March 10 at 3:00 PM.

Admission is \$15. for adults, \$10. for students and \$5. for children 12 and under. Visit this link for ticket purchase: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4057125>. For more info call 805-525-4620.



Paris in Prescott Featuring MINT Jazz Group

Saturday

March 30, 2019

5:30—8:00 p.m.

Granite Peak UU Congregation
882 Sunset, Prescott, AZ

Tickets
\$20

*Dancing and
Delightful
Dee Hams!*



Contact granitepeakuu@gmail.com
for tickets

*Heavenly appetizers:
Finger Foods &
Sparkling Beverages*

This is a fundraiser for
Granite Peak UU Congregation

Welcoming Congregation; a Social Justice Force in the Quad City Area; Pro-Environment



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General Assembly 2019—June 19-23, Spokane, WA, The Power of We

In a time of great challenge and heartbreak in our world, what does our faith demand from us? At this year's General Assembly we will explore the power, possibility, purpose, struggle and joy of finding the path forward together as Unitarian Universalists. The 2019 Ware Lecturer is Richard Blanco.

Selected by President Obama as the fifth inaugural poet in U.S. history, Richard Blanco is the youngest and the first Latino, immigrant, and gay person to serve in such a role.

If you are interested in being considered for one of our three delegate positions for General Assembly, complete the GA Delegate form (contact Patti for a copy) and return it to the Board of Trustees by April 30. The Board will be appointing our delegates at their May meeting.

Note for Prospective New Members:

To be eligible to vote at the May 5 Congregational Meeting for our ministerial candidate, you must become a member by March 5. Contact Rev. Terry to arrange your new member orientation before March 5.



Adult Faith Development

Humanism in March

Saturday March 16 and Saturday March 30, 10:00am to 12:00noon in the Faith Development Building.

What is Humanism? Is it a religion? Is it a philosophy? Is it necessarily atheistic? Is it based on science? Is it devoid of the sacred? Is it moralistic? Is it Rabelaisian? Is it scholastic?

Humanism has a long history and has many religious and secular origins. It has also influenced religion, politics, philosophy and the arts since the Middle Ages.

The first workshop, on Saturday, March 16, from 10-12, will focus on an understanding of this history and the establishment of a working definition and experience of Humanism.

The second workshop, on Saturday, March 30, from 10-12, will be a discussion of Humanism as it relates to various beliefs systems—including UU—in the 20 and 21st centuries, and how it might help us as individuals on our own spiritual journeys. Though it is strongly recommended that participants take both workshops, it's fine to take just one or the other.

If you are interested in the second workshop, you might also be interested in the UUA's book, Humanist Voices in Unitarian Universalism, Gibbons and Murry, eds. 2017.

If you'd like to sign up for either or both workshops or have any questions, please email Caren Greenberg, who will be facilitating the workshops.

FUTURE PROGRAMMING

In April and May, we will be holding classes on Buddhism led by Jon Erickson. Additionally, we will have a series of classes on Islam led by Mary Anne Clark. These will have an emphasis on the Koran.

Sunday Soup and Munch

(Formally Known as Soup Lunch)
March 17, 2019



We continue to broaden our horizons. Our March Soup and Munch will be on Sunday, March 17, 2019. This means that available food can now include soups, salads or perhaps a casserole. We do ask that all items be sufficient for 8-12 servings. As in the past we will also be including breads and desserts.

We will continue the practice that the cost for a bowl and plate for soups and other gastronomic delights will be \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

For any questions regarding the "Soup and Munch," please contact Clark Reid-McKee.

2019 Summer Camp

The Faith Development committee is developing a scholarship program to help send Granite Peak youth to summer camp at Camp De Benneville Pines in Angelus Oaks, California in the San Bernadino Mountains.



We will be offering scholarships that will reimburse one-half of the registration cost.

This year the summer camps will be held as follows

- * UU Elementary School Summer Camp (Completed Grades 2-5) 7/07 - 7/13
- * UU Middle School Summer Camp (Completed Grades 6-8) 7/14 - 7/20
- * UU Senior High Summer Camp (Completed Grades 9-12) 7/21 - 7/27

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Clark Reid-McKee.

they'll be in good hands with Adam and Nick. The kids will be able to play, watch a movie, do a craft and eat pizza! Please text Cassie if you want more information on the next one. 928-607-5681.

Thank you for all that you do to support our children and youth!

Music Director News

by Noelene Patterson

Music soothes the soul

March will be a musical month. Maria Flurry will conduct us on March 3, then Kellie Walker-Hart will direct us for the entire month of March, culminating in the April 7. Service. Kellie comes to us from the Chandler Church and has her Doctorate in Musical Ministry. We have been so lucky to have had such talented conductors this year and we thank you all.

My request goes out to the entire congregation to mark your calendars for two fundraisers that the choir is spearheading. One is on MARCH 10, at 3:00 pm here at GP. Aryeh Frankfurter and Lisa Lynne will be playing Celtic Harps, Rare Instruments & will tell wondrous stories. The admission is \$15.00, \$10.00 for students and \$5.00 for kids. Choir members will be selling the tickets in Davis Hall for the next two weeks or you can order them online at BrownPaperTickets.com event# 4057125. They will also be on sale at the door. I have attended many wonderful concerts here before with rooms half full. Remember this is a fundraiser for the general fund so we all benefit.

The next event will take place on Saturday, March 30., at 5:30 pm. This will be a fun evening called "Paris in Prescott." The outstanding jazz group Mint will be performing old standards with a six piece band. Lore Christianson has sung at Granite Peak before so some of you may remember her. Dee Hams has also agreed to sing a few songs. Davis Hall will have the ambiance of Parisian night-clubs which will add to the magic of the evening.



Children's Religious Education

Cassie Delaney
Faith Development Coordinator

The month of March we will focus on the 7 principles of UU. They'll create a book, play games, and learn new songs. The Nursery is reading stories focused on the principles of UU, offering opportunities to create a project, and color something to coincide with the lesson.

If you have young children, please feel free to utilize our complementary nursery service and enjoy the worship time. Kids are welcome throughout the congregation and may remain wherever they are comfortable.

Our first parent night out in February was a lot of fun. March date to be announced in the weekly newsletter soon. With a \$7 donation per child, you can enjoy two hours of kid free time at night knowing

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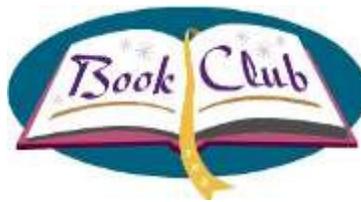
There will also be wonderful appetizers, a variety of beverages, and a dance floor for those of you that would like to trip the light fantastic. This will be an unforgettable evening so join us if even just to listen, eat, and mingle.

Tickets are limited at \$20.00 each so purchase them soon. The choir will be selling them in Davis Hall after future services and you can also contact granitepeakuu@gmail.com.

See you in the month of March for our Musical Ministry during the Services and for two outstanding musical events.

Radical Tapioca Fruit Soup Literary Guild

By Norma West



Everyone who loves reading is welcome to join us for a lively book discussion on the 4th Saturday of each month from 10 am-12 noon. We will continue to meet in Davis Hall at GPUUC. Coffee and tea will be provided and if you'd like to bring a sack lunch or a snack for others to share it's fine. It's also fine just to show up and share your love of reading with us!

March 23, 2019: *"The Great Alone"* by Kristen Hannah

April 27, 2019: *"The True American"* by Anand Giridharadas

May 25, 2019: *"The Miracle Life of Edgar Mint"* by Brady Udall



Second Monday Drum Circle

March 11, 2019: 6PM - 7PM

Spring brings with it new beginnings, growth, abundance and fertility. This is the time to set in motion new goals, intentions and ideas into our life. We are coming out of the cold winter and have reflected and gone inward. Spring beckons us back out, to feel the warmer days and plant new seeds both literally and figuratively. We meet and drum to nurture these intentions and goals, there is power in sharing and coming together.

When you set your intention, you will start to feel a pull in that direction, and you will feel inspired to act on behalf of yourself.

The drum has been called the heartbeat of Mother Earth, the heartbeat of nations, the heartbeat of all life. Its sound evokes natural imagery, awakens the senses, and stirs the soul. It's a symbol of life, a symbol of hope, a symbol of healing.

Please feel free to bring a reading or story to share, this is a safe place.

All are welcome and encouraged to join in... there are extra drums and shakers to share.

Social Justice Ministry

*By Miriel Manning
Social Justice Coordinator*



Dear congregants,

I have gratitude for the snow and rain soaking into the dry earth and I also have anticipation of the new growth that shall come. This month I'm thinking about hope. I am currently mentoring a group of young people and their motivation and commitment give me hope. Each day, we have to live out the way we want the world to look and they are doing this. "The only way to deal with an unfree world is to become so absolutely free that your very existence is an act of rebellion" (Albert Camus). I witness this bold way of living 'absolutely free' in those around me and it inspires me to be more courageous, honest, and true.



On February 18 a handful of committed members braved the weather and attended UUAJAZ Day at the Legislature to practice the art of story-telling advocacy based on UU values and relationship-building.

Advocacy is one of the five main types of social justice action. For me, it is helpful to look at my social justice work through the lens of these five types of action.

As defined in the UUA's "Social Justice Empowerment Program Handout: Supporting Congregational Action for Transformative Social Change":

“Service: the purpose of social service is to meet the needs of persons in distress.

Education: the purpose of social education is to educate people about the importance of a social issue. The goal is to inform people about the aspects of the issues and also interpret the issue within the context of liberal religious values.

Witness: the purpose of social witness is to make public by word or deed the convictions of an individual or organization regarding a particular issue.

Advocacy: the purpose of advocacy is to work through the legislative process to impact public policy.

Community Organizing: the purpose of community organizing is to participate in the process by which decisions are made in places of power. The focus is on the power of institutional structures and how that power is used for good or evil. This approach is based on the recognition that individuals have little power to change their situations without the empowerment of groups who know how to organize and influence power.”

Which approach to social justice best describes the projects you're involved in? How can we use this frame to reflect on the various social justice projects we take on as a congregation? A healthy program will balance all five types of social justice action. Each of you has an important perspective on our congregation's approach to social justice.

Never hesitate to reach out with questions or comments.

With fierce love, Miriel

“In a time of deceit telling the truth is a revolutionary act.” George Orwell

Social Justice Reflective Service:

First Wednesday of the Month
Wednesday March 6 at 7:00 am.

Everyone is invited to join in this powerful early morning Social Justice Reflective Service that is held on the first Wednesday of every month. Through this service we connect with each other and support our social justice work as a truly spiritual practice. Yes this is very early in the morning for many of us but it is well worth the effort!



Seeds of Support for March is the Yavapai Reentry Project

The Yavapai Reentry Project was established in 2011 to focus on a key population in the community whose needs were not being fulfilled— those exiting the department of corrections. In an effort to reduce recidivism, improve individual lives, and promote a safer community for all members of Yavapai County, a group of non-profit organizations, government offices, and motivated community members came together to form the Yavapai Reentry Project.

Mission Statement

Yavapai Reentry Project is a regional support system which promotes successful reintegration of formerly incarcerated individuals in a way that improves community safety by reducing criminal behavior.

Vision Statement

All formerly incarcerated individuals returning to Yavapai County will have opportunities for community support, healthy relationships, and hope for their future.

Sunday Food Collection:

This is a reminder that our food drive for local food banks is ongoing. Please place bags of non-perishable food items in the aisles in the sanctuary, where the children gather them every Sunday. These donations make a huge difference for people experiencing food insecurity in our community!

Lovejoy Award Dinner, Honoring Gary Beverley

April 27, 2019
Prescott College

Tickets will be sold in Davis Hall after Sunday service beginning March 31.



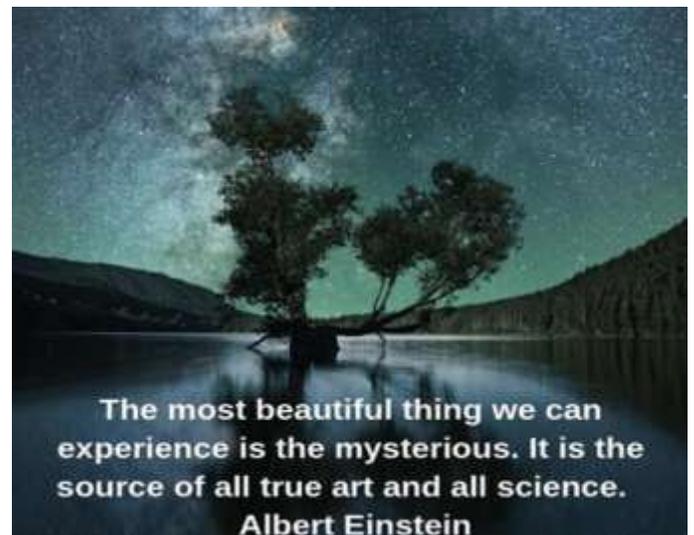
Following son Toliver's birth, Crissy returned to work full time at Bridges, until she opened her private practice office, still continuing to work with many TBI clients as well as non-brain injured clients.

When the family visited Arizona over the Christmas holidays in 2017, they enjoyed the climate and when Toliver asked, "Why do we live in Montana?," Crissy and Fred agreed that the Arizona weather is certainly milder. They returned to Prescott during Spring Break and decided to relocate when Fred was offered a position here. They looked for a home with access to nature, a view, and found a larger home in Prescott with those amenities, plus plenty of closets and Toliver's wish, a second story deck.

Crissy's time since moving has been overseeing the remodeling which has been mainly frustrating and time-consuming. When the remodeling is complete, she will have more time and energy to focus on some of the activities she enjoys, such as cooking, hiking, camping, photography, and dancing. She has also just opened her private practice counseling office.

Crissy had not been involved with a UU congregation and considered herself spiritual rather than religious. As Toliver, now 11, is maturing, his parents wish him to be involved in a nurturing, inter-generational group of people with the same values and goals that Toliver is growing up with. Toliver, Crissy and Fred are sure they've found that at GPUUC.

(Fred Bremer's profile will be in the April View.)



Fair Trade Store

Coffee, coffee, chocolate and coffee!
Have you visited the Fair Trade store

in Davis Hall? Our congregation has been recently honored by the UU Service Committee for having one of the longest running stores with the highest sales records. Why? Because we sell coffee and chocolate with no mark-up in sales, so it is high quality and less expensive than what you can find in any local store.

New Member Corner

Profile of Christina (Crissy)
Bremer



Crissy Bremer and her family, husband Fred, son Toliver, and family pet, Keani moved to Prescott from Montana in 2018. Crissy was raised on the East Coast and went to college in New York state, but fresh out of graduate school, in 2000 she took a job in Yellowstone National Park. Near the end of her tenure, there was a tragic accident within the Park involving three young people and Crissy stayed to work with the survivors and staff. The next year, she met Fred who was also working in Yellowstone and three years later, wanting to remain in the West, they moved to Lolo, Montana.

Filling in for an employment specialist who was on maternity leave, Crissy worked with clients who had suffered Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and realized that she'd found her calling, which was both challenging and rewarding. Returning to her field of counseling, her mission became to expand the Bridges Center for TBI clients.