



Throop UU monthly

Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim We are...

Standing on the Side of Love

Carol's Corner

August! It's time to plan for Fall and look forward to the coming church year. During my study leave I made a serious dent in the pile of books and magazines waiting by my recliner, and read many of the online articles sent by friends and colleagues. Two books I recommend for church members and lay leaders are *Worship That Works* by Wayne Arnason and Kathleen Rolenz, and *Theology Ablaze* by Tom Owen-Towle, which would be a good curriculum for an Adult Religious Education course.

My favorite magazines are *Mother Jones* and *The Nation*, online I choose articles from *Salon* and *The New York Times*, plus many of the articles posted on facebook. I also get home delivery of the *Pasadena Star News* and the weekend *Los Angeles Times*. I admit, after I check the headlines, I head for the comics page first, hoping for a good laugh. I hope you look for humor in your everyday life; laughter is good for your body, mind, and soul.

I will continue as Consulting Minister for the coming year, and will encourage you to consider your vision for the future of this congregation. What is the mission of Throop Church, and where do you go from here? The Board of Trustees will consider these questions at their retreat this month, and we hope to schedule a Congregational Retreat in the coming months.

If you'd like to meet with me, please call the church office, or e-mail me, for an appointment.

In Faith,

Carol

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Sunday Services

- August 7 – Michael Kelly
The Learning Garden
- August 14 – Rev. Carol Rudisill
Our Living Tradition
- August 21 – Kathleen McGregor
What is a Soulful Sundown?
- August 28 – Rev. Carol Rudisill
An Invitation
- Sept. 4 – Kathleen McGregor and Jen Neibling
Today's Labor Movement
- Sept. 11 – Rev. Carol Rudisill
Ingathering; Beginning the New Church Year

Please bring a sampling of water from a significant place or event, and a stone representing what you bring to Throop Unitarian Universalist Church.

August 2011

Summer Services continue at 11:00 through the summer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8:15am – Tai Chi 6:15pm–Get Fit by MJ	2 7:00pm - Choir	3 6:15pm–Get Fit by MJ 6:45pm - Meditation	4 8:15am – Tai Chi 4:00pm-Book Club “All Quiet on the Western Front”	5 7:00pm – Pas. Folk Dancers	6 10:00am - Acting
7 10:00am New Testament 11:00am –Service – Michael Kelly 1:00pm – Dialogue 1:00pm – Drum Circle	8 8:15am – Tai Chi 6:15pm–Get Fit by MJ	9 7:00pm - Choir	10 6:15pm–Get Fit by MJ 6:45pm – Meditation 7:00pm –Film Group “Faith without Fear”	11 8:15am – Tai Chi 4:00pm-Book Club “All Quiet on the Western Front”	12 7:00pm – Pas. Folk Dancers	13 10:00am - Acting
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Music Musings

By the time you all read this the choir will have had its first annual summer retreat and recording project. I was inspired to organize this event by the gorgeous piece that Jeffery Bernstein wrote for our 125th anniversary. I wanted to find a time to record the current choir singing this wonderful piece of music and decided that since we were going to deal with the logistics of recording ourselves then we might as well go full out. I've selected several anthems from the past year to rehearse in the morning and then record in the afternoon. Carol's husband Jeff is a professional sound designer and has graciously agreed to use his expertise to make the recording. I'm very excited to be able to share the beautiful music our choir makes with the future generations of our church.

Since I've been back from New York I've begun the ambitious project of cataloging and filing the music library. Throop owns thousands of pieces of music (some dating back to the 30's) and I'm creating a computerized database so that the music can be searched for and easily accessed. This is an incredibly work intensive project and I could use as much help as I can get. I'm in the building frequently over the summer so if you'd like to donate some of your time to help with this important undertaking please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you all in services soon.

With Love,
Chip



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Congregational Budget Meeting

September 18, 2011

12:45 pm

September 10 California Traditional Music Society Equinox Festival

The 2011 Equinox Festival highlights

- 2 days with 2 stages of live music
- Back-to-back Dance Workshops
- Storytelling • Jams • 70+ Workshops
 - Food • Crafts • Art • Film
- Screenings • Family Area & Activities
- The Mulcahy Family Special Saturday Night Concert at Throop

**To volunteer please contact Wyatt at
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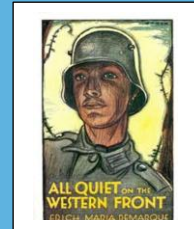
Stone Soup by Jan Eliot

July 21, 2011



Throop Book Club

Group meets every Thursday from 4 to 6 PM at 171 Melrose Ave. Monrovia, CA. For more info. or directions contact Jim Bys jimbybs@charter.net or 626-574-5667



"All Quiet on the Western Front"
Erich Maria Remarque

From the President Gary Green

During the July board meeting, I found myself elected Board President. I did not actively seek this position, but I humbly accept it. Jean Prinz is the new Vice President, Michael Kelley is Treasurer, and Dee Felasco, assisted by Jim Bys, continues as Secretary.

On September 18, the congregation will finish the budget process that was started in June. At that meeting we will adopt the budget for the church year.

That meeting is the first small step of what, I hope, will begin a process of this church examining what it is now, and what it wants to be in the future. The process will need to include our close examination of ourselves. It will also need for us to decide on a realistic picture of what we can do in the future, and what we need to do to accomplish our visions. The most important need is for us to do what we say we want to do. The most important word in all of this is "we." Everyone needs to be on board to do what they can. Once we have decided on a course of action, we need to be committed to making it happen.

There are things happening now that are encouraging. One is the landscaping project that is involving many outside people. Programs like this that bring in members of the larger community are, I believe, one of the keys to a better future for us. I will do what I can to support you and your Board of Trustees in helping us move towards our next 125 years.

Gary Green

DRUM CIRCLE

Drum Circle will meet on Sundays in the Sanctuary beginning Aug. 7, from 1:00pm to 2:00pm for six weeks. Series to culminate in a performance at one of the services.

