

# 2024 Pacific Southwest Service Area Assembly

Friday, April 26 to Sunday, April 28, 2024

UU Church of Ventura

5654 Ralston Street, Ventura, CA 93003

## Preliminary Schedule of Events

### *Promoting Justice: Amplifying Voices*

#### *At the Intersections of Race, Class & Environment*

Proudly sponsored by Camp de Benneville Pines

Come share in the assortment of workshops, plenary speakers, meals, nature walk, music, worship and song

### **Friday, April 26, 2024**

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| 12 Noon         | President's Luncheon — church presidents and leadership are invited to attend. Host: Pat Gordon, Camp de Benneville Pines Board President. Guest speaker, Reverend Carlton Elliot Smith, Pacific Western Region Lead |
| 3:00 to 3:35 pm | Workshop: Listen to the Land — A Tale of Two Flowers, with peaceful music, by Oshri Hakak  |
| 3:45 to 4:30 pm | Workshop: Interfaith by Kathleen Adams with guest speaker  |
| 4:00 to 6:45 pm | Registration check-in for Assembly and Youth Con   |
| 5:00 to 6:45 pm | Social Hour and dinner. UU Church of Ventura Ukulele Band will provide entertainment   |
| 7:00 to 7:05 pm | Rev. Dana Worsnop, UU Church of Ventura — Welcome and Chalice lighting   |
| 7:05 to 7:30 pm | Rev. Carlton E. Smith, UUA Pacific Western Regional Lead   |
| 7:30 to 8:30 pm | Merlin Snider — Songs From the Heart of a Unitarian Universalist. Merlin and his wife, Debbie are members of Chalice UU of Conejo Valley.  |



## Saturday, April 27, 2024

7:30 to 8:45 am Continental Breakfast

9:00 to 10:15 am Plenary Speaker: **Lucas Zucker**, co-director of CAUSE (Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy). Its mission is to create grassroots power through community organizing, leadership development, coalition building, civic engagement, policy research, and advocacy to attain social, economic, and environmental justice for working-class and immigrant communities in California's Central Coast.



10:30 to 11:45 am Camp de Benneville Pines Annual Meeting

Noon to 1:15 pm Lunch and musical entertainment by Torkil Hammer from Chalice UU Fellowship of Conejo Valley

1:30 to 2:45 pm Workshop Options:

- Fossil Fuels and Frontline Communities by Climate First: Replacing Oil & Gas, known as FROG
- Article II and UU and You by Dr. Melissa James and Rev. Carlton E. Smith from PWR

3:00 to 4:15 pm Workshop Options:

- Justice Training by Katia Hansen with UURISE
- Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail by Teddi Boston with Camp de Benneville Pines
- Music: the Voice of Justice by Pat Humphries and Sandy O with Emma's Revolution
- Field Trip: Guided tour to the best place to view birds, led by UUC Ventura volunteers

7:00 to 8:30 pm Concert: **Emma's Revolution** with Pat Humphries and Sandy O. Long-time UU favorites, they will perform original social justice ballads and uplifting folk music.



## Sunday, April 28, 2024

8:30 to 9:45 am Continental Breakfast

8:30 to 9:45 am All Choir rehearsal. Choir members from all congregations are invited to join in

10:00 to 11:45 am Worship Service, possible youth bridging and conclusion of Assembly