July 3: Interdependence and Atonement Day
*Rabbi Lynn Gottlieb (she/her)*
Rabbi Emerita of the Congregation Nahalat Shalom in Albuquerque, NM, and now a resident of Berkeley, CA, Rabbi Lynn engages in multifaith, intergenerational and multicultural organizing in solidarity with racial, indigenous, gender justice and Palestinian liberation struggles as she teaches joyful spirituality, storytelling, ceremony, and ritual arts.

July 10: To Live More Authentically
*Rev. Emily Webb Hartlief (she/her)*
Rev. Emily Webb is a hospice chaplain, community organizer and UU minister whose professional interests include the intersection of spirituality/religious traditions and Western medical practice. Her professional practice supports clergy, healers, and healthcare professionals to access inner resources for sustaining themselves and to live more authentically. She holds a graduate certificate in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapies and Research from the California Institute for Integral Studies.

July 17: I Call That Mind Free
*Frances Hillyard (she/her)*
Throughout time and across cultures, it has long been recognized that reason and rationality are among many paths to the discovery of deep truth. Our UUA *Tapestry of Faith: Spirit in Practice* series continues with the fourth of the eight Spheres: “Mind Practices.”

July 24: When Aging Brings on Alzheimer’s Disease, How We Live
*Rev. Dr. Caroline Knowles (she/her)*
The onset of Alzheimer’s Disease destroys memory, disconnects the sufferer from loved ones, and degrades so much that is human. Rev. Dr. Carrie Knowles describes the effect of Alzheimer’s Disease on the lives of the sufferer and the impact of the disease on all who are connected to that person. Rev. Dr. Carrie reviews the strategies that may ease the issues that arise, and the hopes for prevention and stabilizing the symptoms.

July 31: Choosing to Love
*Pastor Jojo Gabuya (they/them)*
Bell Hooks says, “When we choose to love, we choose to move against fear, against alienation and separation. The choice to love is a choice to connect, to find ourselves in the other.” For her, love is a combination of care, compassion, commitment and respect; and, trust is the foundation of love. Rev. Jojo V. Gabuya is a proud non-binary transgender, Filipinx, interfaith pastor, and a newly ordained minister in the Church for the Fellowship of All Peoples.

Please see page 3 for August Services
BFUU Annual Meeting

BFUU’s Annual Meeting on June 12, 2022

The October 2021 Minutes were approved.
Thanks to all who reported on Committees, Ministry, and current issues. Thanks also to those who voted for the Board, and on the UUJME AIW motion on universal human rights. Congratulations to our new and returning Board Members!

Ben Burch • Stephanie Doucette • Kathy Riehle
Phoebe Sorgen (Alternate) • Gene Herman (Alternate)

We thank you in advance for the good work you are willing and able to do to keep BFUU true to our mission and vision!

BFUU ANNUAL MEETING PART 2
Sunday July 17, 2022 at 12:30 PM
We will continue the Annual Meeting to address the tabled item, “Where do we go from here: discussion”
Please fill out the BFUU Survey June 2022 to share your thoughts on key issues with the Board and fellow members.

Worship Teams!

Worship Service Team June 12
top: Barbara, Paieka & Eva, Lawrance; 2nd row: Ardys, Kathy & Doug, Rabbi Lynn Gottlieb;
3rd row: Melissa, Margaret, Frances; 4th row: Stephanie, Sharon

Worship Service Team May 29
top: Andy, Paieka & Eva, Margaret, Ardys; 2nd row: Barbara, Frances, Luna, Virginia; 3rd row: Kathy & Doug, Christine, Melissa, Lawrance; 4th row: Pastor Jojo Gabuya
August 7: Embodied Spirituality
Andy Jamieson (he/him) / Worship Team
We understand our spiritual journeys to be, not separate from our own physical experiences, but deeply rooted in them. Our UUA Tapestry of Faith: Spirit in Practice series continues with the fourth of the eight Spheres: “Body Practices.”

August 14: Indigenous Land Back as a Spiritual Practice
Rabbi Lynn Gottlieb (she/her)
Rabbi Emerita of the Congregation Nahalat Shalom in Albuquerque, NM, and now a resident of Berkeley, CA, Rabbi Lynn engages in multifaith, intergenerational and multicultural organizing in solidarity with racial, indigenous, gender justice and Palestinian liberation struggles as she teaches joyful spirituality, storytelling, ceremony, and ritual arts.

August 21: Unity of Mind, Body, Heart, and Spirit
Pastor Jojo Gabuya (they/them)
How can we unite/unify our mind, body, heart, and spirit experiences? How can we integrate the different parts of ourselves and attain wholeness? Let’s look at our experience in new Ways. Rev. Jojo V. Gabuya is a proud non-binary transgender, Filipinx, interfaith pastor, and a newly ordained minister in the Church for the Fellowship of All Peoples.

August 28: Women’s Bodies, Women’s Choices, Women’s Lives: What the Supreme Court Decided on Roe v. Wade
Rev. Dr. Caroline Knowles (she/her)
Rev. Dr. Carrie Knowles looks at the Supreme Court’s undoing of Roe v. Wade. That decision in 1973 had changed the lives of all Americans, but most critically, had given the freedom to women to control their bodies, their health, and their choice of how to spend their lives. The overturning of Roe v. Wade suggests future attacks on other human rights our nation has taken for granted.

Shared Plate Partner Program Continues
BFUU will continue the shared collection plate partner program in the new fiscal year (2022-2023). In fiscal year 2021-2022, BFUU shared the plate with these partners:

JUL-Poor People’s Campaign  NOV-Apache Stronghold  MAR-Healthy Black Families
AUG-Sogorea Te’ Land Trust  DEC-Youth Spirit Artworks  APR-Hope for Haiti: Education
SEP-UUSC Haiti Emergency Fund  JAN-Ella Baker Center  MAY-Poor People’s Campaign
OCT-Planting Justice  FEB-Mount Tamalpais College  JUN-Coming to the Table

THANK YOU to all who make plate donations to help BFUU and these community organizations! Offerings are split with BFUU and our shared plate partner. Pledge payments aren’t a part of the plate collection.
I am made up of molecules
that warily circle one another
yet agree to be together.

Though seasoned with star dust
my lowered sights
struggle to calculate magnitude upon magnitude.

I am a swirl of dreams,
hands, eyes, tongue
flung to the voracious world,
molecules madly circling

Frances Hillyard, BFUU Poet Laureate Emerita

Calling poetry lovers who enjoy
sharing favorite poems:

Help start a poetry reading circle
to read each other poems that are meaningful to us. If interested please
let me know. Frances:
franceshillyard4@gmail.com

Syl Scherzer is at home,
recovering from knee replacement surgery on
June 23rd. She would
welcome phone calls:
(510) 526-5211 and possibly a home-visit. Email
her at: dreamersyl@gmail.com. Get Well Soon!

Interested in re-starting the
writing group? Please
contact me. Frances:
franceshillyard4@gmail.com

Regular Committee Meetings (via Zoom through Shelter In Place)

**Aesthetics** (subcom. of B&G)
Meet as needed
contact Aesthetics Committee

**Buildings & Grounds (B&G)**
Meet once per month,
contact Ben and Abbot

**Caring**
4th Sunday at 12:30 PM
contact Kathy Riehle

**Committee on Ministry**
meets as needed
contact Jinky G. & Steve O.

**Finance**
Meet as needed
contact Ben and Abbot

**Hospitality**
4th Sunday at 12:30 PM
contact Kathy Riehle

**Membership**
4th Sunday at 12:30 PM
contact Doug Chambers

**Music**
2nd Monday 2:00 PM
contact Margaret Hurlbert

**Nominating**
meets as needed
contact Virginia Hollins-Davidson

**Personnel**
even months 3rd Thursdays 2:30 PM
Contact Kathy Riehle

**Poetry**
Meets as needed
contact Frances Hillyard

**Religious Education**
Meets as needed
contact Sharon Colligan

**Social Justice Ministry**
1st Sunday 12:30 PM
contact Margaret Hurlbert

**Social Justice (SJC)**
3rd Sunday noonish - after service
contact Phoebe, Gene, and David

**Worship Services**
1st Friday at 1:30 PM
contact Sharon Hwang Colligan
Dear folks,

After many years of lobbying the Alameda County Board of Supervisors-ACBOS, an Interfaith rally organized by Faith In Action East Bay-FIAEB was held on May 24 to end the mismanagement of Santa Rita Jail.

• The Supervisors -ACBOS- have been delivered an ultimatum to begin supervising the horrible conditions at Santa Rita that has been run by the current Sheriff Ahern who has been on the job for 16 years. He is up for re-election this year. Check out the ICJJ website: <www.icjjalameda county.org>

• There have been 58 deaths since 2014. Murders, suicides, as well as illness, have occurred and badly handled including late notice or no notice to relatives of the people who died. 49% Black, 28% Latin.

• The “Interfaith Coalition for Justice In Our Jails-ICJJ” has been established to pursue the objectives of this rally. See their website: <www.icjjalameda county.org> for details.

As BFUU’s representative to FIAEB I was pleased today to be able to attend and be in the faith leadership group on stage with my BFUU-SJC tee.

• Virginia Hollins-Davidson was also there and has participated in this movement.

• Virginia and I have attended many meetings of the ACBOS since 2012 with the Justice Reinvestment Coalition of Alameda County-JRC/AC <https://www.jrcfac.org> fighting mass incarceration of Black and Latino prisoners.

• Many other UU congregations were present. With this action we are fulfilling our commitment to the new Principle #8!

Hopefully BFUU/SJC can continue to support this campaign.

Best wishes to everyone!

Tom Luce
Thank You!

Personnel Committee
Ben Burch
Mike Gardner
Virginia Hollins-Davidson
Kathy Riehle, Chair

Poetry Committee
Doug Chambers
Gene Herman, Poet Laureate
Frances Hillyard, Chair

Religious Education/Exploration Committee (RE)
Doug Chambers
Sharon Colligan, Convener
Stephanie Doucette
Kathy Riehle

Social Justice Committee
Ben Burch
Ardys DeLu
Karen Dewald
Judith Granada-Dewey
Gene Herman, Co-Chair
Cynthia Johnson
Tom Luce
David Makofsky, Co-Chair
Syl Scherzer
Phoebe Sorgen, Co-Chair

Social Justice Ministry Subcommittee
Margaret Hurlbert, Convener

Worship Services Committee
Doug Chambers
Sharon Colligan, Chair
Eva Doucette
Frances Hillyard
Virginia Hollins-Davidson
Paikea Melcher
Steve Ogden
Melissa R
Kathy Riehle

Buildings & Grounds Committee (B&G)
Ben Burch, Co-Chair
Abbot Foote, Co-Chair

Aesthetics Subcommittee is on hiatus

Caring Committee
Doug Chambers
Karen Dewald
Virginia Hollins-Davidson
Margaret Hurlbert
Wyndy Knox Carr
Kathy Riehle, Chair
Elinor Roberts

Committee on Ministry (COM)
Doug Chambers
Jinky Gardner
Steve Ogden, Convener

Finance Committee
Ben Burch, Co-Chair
Abbot Foote, Co-Chair
Judith Granada-Dewey

Hospitality Committee
Doug Chambers
Michelle Laasi
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Membership Committee
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Christine Dickson
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Nominating Committee
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Gene Herman
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**BFUU Online Meetings (mostly alphabetical)**

**Weekly Meetings**

**BFUU Choir Practice** on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM  
Choir members practice songs for worship service and fun!  
Please contact Margaret at muscom@bfuu.org

**Rev. Dr. Carrie’s Reflection and Connection** on Tuesday afternoons  
Rev. Dr. Carrie Knowles invites BFUU members and friends to join her in a series of small meetings on zoom. Participation is limited. Email Rev. Dr. Carrie Knowles at revcarrie@bfuu.org and let her know of your interest.

**Worship Service** on Sundays at 10:30 AM  
All are welcome to attend Worship Service!  
Please contact Sharon at worshipservices@bfuu.org

**Monthly Meetings**

**Board of Trustees Meeting** 4th Thursday 7/28 & 8/25 at 3:00 PM  
BFUU BOT meetings are open to all!

**Caring Committee Meeting with Ministers** on 3rd Tuesday 7/19 & 8/16 at 11 AM  
Please contact Rev. Carrie at revcarrie@bfuu.org  
Note that Caring Committee also meets with Hospitality and Membership on 4th Sundays.

**Committee on Ministry Meeting** 1st Thursday 7/7 & 8/4 at 2:00 PM  
This committee is a communication channel between the ministers and the community.  
Please contact Kathy, Jinky, and Steve at COM@bfuu.org

**Elders Circle** 1st Tuesday 7/5 & 8/2 at 11:00 AM  
Come one, come all who are young at heart! Age does not matter! Join us for snacks and lively conversation. We may even solve some of the worlds problems... or not. We’ll have fun trying. Please contact Rev. Marsh by text to 707-557-5707 (preferred) or email revmarsh@bfuu.org.

**Hospitality, Membership, and Caring Committees Meetings**
4th Sunday 7/24 & 8/28 at 12:30 PM.  
Please contact Kathy at caring@bfuu.org

**Music Committee Meeting** 1st Monday 7/4 & 8/1 at 2:00 PM  
Questions? Please contact Margaret at muscom@bfuu.org

**Personnel Committee Meeting**  
3rd Thursdays on even months 8/18 at 2:30 PM  
Please contact Kathy at personnel@bfuu.org

**Social Justice Committee Meeting** 3rd Sunday 8/21 after service (noonish)  
NOTE: SJC is graciously skipping or rescheduling its July meeting and encourages its members to attend the BFUU Annual Meeting Part 2 on the 3rd Sunday in July (7/17) at 12:30 PM.  
Please contact Phoebe at sjc@bfuu.org

**Social Justice Ministry Meeting** is on hiatus

**Worship Service Committee Meeting** 1st Friday 7/1 & 8/5 at 1:30 PM  
Please contact Sharon at worshipservices@bfuu.org

***some committees meet as needed - please see committee meeting list on page 3***
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**BFUU Annual Meeting Part 2**

**Sunday July 17 at 12:30 PM on Zoom**

All are invited to join the continuing conversation:

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**Future Note:**
Monday September 5 is Labor Day Holiday

**Please Plan Ahead:** Direct links to meetings/registration have * after the link. The remaining links send an email to the meeting organizer – please allow a few days for a reply. If you have questions, please email office@bfuu.org or call the office at 510-841-4824 ext. 1.

* Fellowship event  'meeting link

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**Still Available!**  
Contact the office - email office@bfuu.org or call 841-4824 ext 1 for information about Transforming Hearts Collective training!
Building character, enriching spirits, promoting community, and serving humankind through spiritual growth and social action.

BFUU OFFICE CLOSED - We are working from home

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER COMMUNICATOR:
August 20, 2022 at 11:00 AM
Please email newsletter@bfuu.org with submissions.

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