



Lots of News for Our Small Fellowship!

Dear Lisa,

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Sundays in the Park: Picnic -- July 12 (2nd Sunday)

Live Oak will gather at lovely Franklin Park (1432 San Antonio Ave, between Paru & Morton) on Sunday, July 12.

You'll have choices: Just hang out and visit with other Live Oak'ers or join a discussion group led by **Roger Hallsten**. (See story below about possible topic.)

You may meet folks by the front doors to Christ Episcopal and walk from there (0.4 miles) or head straight to the park. There are a few benches there, but we suggest bringing a blanket and/or lawn chairs with you. We'll talk, play, get to know one another, maybe sing a little, and eat (of course!). Bring a dish to share, as usual. We'll supply plates, cups, napkins, and flatware. Also, feel free to bring frisbees, kites, balls, etc.

There are two play areas in the park (near each other) -- one fenced in, with equipment safe for toddlers, and the other with equipment for older kids. Note: there are also restrooms. We'll send a few people ahead to save a spot for us.





If you have questions, just ask! You can email [Lisa](#) for more info.

Discussion Idea -- for July or August: Let's Talk!

Roger Hallsten, who will be facilitating the discussion groups in July and August, is looking for YOUR input. For one of those dates, he would like to have a "Show-and-tell" theme. He would like folks to bring an art item and tell why they are sharing it. (The item might be a picture, a song, a poem, or It can be something purchased, given, or self-made. Just bring something art-related that means something to you and share that with us.

If this idea appeals to you (and you will participate), he'd like you to [email him](#) to let him know which date works better for you -- the second Sunday in July (July 12) or the second Sunday in August (Aug 9).

For All Who Are Thinking of a Father or a Father Figure



For fathers, father figures, step-fathers,
those whose fathers are far away,
those who have lost a loving father,
those who are worried about their dads,
those who enjoy a father-like
relationship with another,
and those whose fathers were
a disappointment
Our thoughts are with you all.

like Richard and Kris -- and many others who give all that they can to help this community thrive.



Coming Right Up: Watch & Discuss Ascent of Man

Friday (June 19), join other Live Oak'ers to watch Episode 12 (of 13), **Generation Upon Generation**, of Jacob Bronowski's series. Bronowski travelled the world in order to trace the development of human society through its understanding of science.

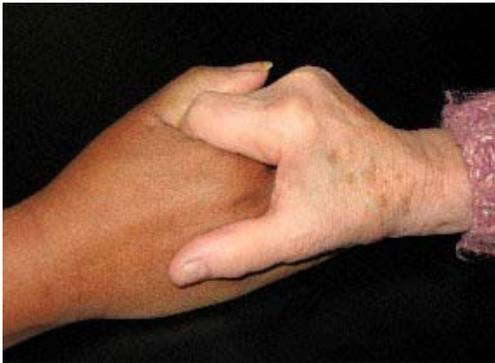


This session examines the complex code of human inheritance -- from the experiments of pioneer geneticist Gregor Mendel to the discoveries of today's sophisticated laboratories.

In addition, we will be deciding what series we'll watch next. We welcome your input. We gather at 7:30 p.m. in a home in Oakland. Email [Lisa Fry](mailto:lisafray@gmail.com) to RSVP (and for the location).

Live Oak UU Fellowship Caring Committee

If you know of someone in our congregation who needs a visit or some other simple need such as a meal, you can contact one of the members of the Caring Committee (listed below) to see if we can be of any assistance:



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Email options: We maintain two separate email lists. One gets ONLY reminder announcements of upcoming worship services. The other gets those notices, plus information about congregational meetings, activities, religious education, newsletters, and more. You are welcome to be on either list. Please let Lisa (lisafray@gmail.com) know if you wish to be moved from one list to the other -- or if you wish to be removed from our email list altogether. Note: We also have a listserv for members & friends of Live Oak. You may join it, at any time, by sending an email to uuliveoak-subscribe@yahogroups.com.

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