

**There are still spots available** for the 5th Annual Women's Retreat, January 19-21, 2018. Registration deadline is December 1. Please contact Rachel Harbold at [womensretreat@uusg.org](mailto:womensretreat@uusg.org) for more info. Talk to Rachel or Debbie at Social Hour.

**Steeple Walk** Join us Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3, when UUSG will once again host a musical performance during the Steeple Walk program. \$12 per ticket. Contact Gail Tattersfield for info.

**Our November Women's Circle** is being held on Saturday, November 18, 1-4pm. Our topic this month is titled "What Does Being Spiritual or Having a Spiritual Practice Really Mean?" Practical Ways to Incorporate the Sacred into Busy Days. Register at [uusg.org/womens-circle](http://uusg.org/womens-circle).

**The Nominating Committee** is looking for a few good people. We're building a list of members who are "warm" to the idea of serving on the Board, not necessarily next year, but perhaps sometime in the future. If you're interested in being on that list, please let anyone on the nominating committee know, or you can email the chair, Jim Frazier, at [nominating@uusg.org](mailto:nominating@uusg.org).

**The Hospitality Team** invites all UUSG members, families, and friends to join in decorating the church on Friday, November 24 from 10am to 1pm. RSVP at [uusg.org/holiday-decorating](http://uusg.org/holiday-decorating)

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## Today & This Week at UUSG

[uusg.org/calendar](http://uusg.org/calendar)

### Sunday, November 12

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 11:15 am Finance Team Meeting
- 11:15 am Green Sanctuary Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Welcoming Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Women's Retreat Planning Meeting
- 6:00 pm Jazz Combo Rehearsal

### Monday, November 13

- 10:00 am Celebration of Life for Anne Brink
- 4:00 pm Steeple Walk Planning Meeting
- 7:00 pm Reiki Discussion Group

### Tuesday, November 14

- 9:00 am Geneva Girl Scout Leader Meeting
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm Board of Directors

### Wednesday, November 15

- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

### Thursday, November 16

- 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle
- 5:30 pm WomenSpiritRising

### Friday, November 17

### Saturday, November 18

- 10:00 am Jazz Combo Rehearsal
- 1:00 pm Holiday Pageant Planning Meeting
- 1:00 pm Women's Circle
- 7:00 pm Jr. High Youth Group

### Sunday, November 19

- 10:30 am Hospitality & Fellowship Team Meeting
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Communications Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Interweave
- 7:00 pm Reiki Share

# Welcome to This House!



*November 12, 2017*

## Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

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### Today's Worship Team

Musicians: Sandra Anderson-Cordogan; UUSG Choir led by Cynthia Spiegel  
Greeters: Cari Gesiakowski, Winelle Glaser, Julie Overcash, Gail Tattersfield  
Hosts: The WOW Team  
Counters: The Finance Team

### Upcoming Services

November 19: Intergenerational Thanksgiving Celebration  
November 26: Guest in the Pulpit: Rev. Bob McWilliams

*Come as you are.*

## Order of Worship

### Ingathering Music

### Ringling of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

**Song of Community # 279** “By the Waters of Babylon”

**Words of Welcome** Aaron Fogleman

**Reading** “Energy in Skirts” Al Drover

**Intro to the Offering** Lynn Steele

**Offering** *Da Pacem Domine*, (When Will the Fighting Cease?),  
Franck Melchior

**For All Ages** “Veterans Day,” by J. Cotton; Tracey McFadden

*Children & teachers go to religious education classes.*

**Reading** “A Woman, the Army, and a Different Era,”

Nancy Smith

**The Career of Elke Chateau, USMC**, Tracey McFadden

**Quilt Ceremony** Glenda Peck

**Musical Interlude** “I Believe,” poem anon., music Miller

**Reading** “Women & Gay/Lesbian Soldiers, the 1980s,”

Aaron Fogleman

**Rev. Lindsay and UUSG Veterans**, Peter Coe, Al Drover

**Musical Interlude** “Circle ‘Round for Freedom,” Hirschhorn

**Concluding Thoughts on Veterans**

the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

**Postlude** “Taps” Dawn Pokorny

## Announcements

**The November BOW offering** will go to the St. Charles organization called “Be A Hero To A Hero.” They provide up to 800 Christmas stockings filled with socks, a t-shirt, and toiletries for disabled and infirm vets at the big VA nursing home in Manteo, various nursing homes in Geneva and St. Charles, and also many homebound vets in our area.

**Thank you WOW Team** for our Social Hour this morning. We are grateful that our Communications Team will host next week. We appreciate you!

**Calling all “Cookie Elves!”** The 35th Annual Cookie Walk is Friday, December 1. Sign up at [uusg.org/cookie-walk](http://uusg.org/cookie-walk) or in the Common Room to bake cookies or work at the event. Join in on one of UUSG’s most delicious fundraisers!

**Holiday Food Drive** It’s time for our 4th Annual Food Drive to support Humanitarian Service Project’s holiday programs. Pick up your shopping bag today, and bring it back filled with food by November 19! *Only non-expired food, please.*

**For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible** as literature, “Bible Study for UUs” will meet November 20, 7-8:30pm.

**Annual UUSG Thanksgiving Dinner**, November 23: Join fellow UUs for the Annual T-day Dinner. Turkey and ham will be provided; please bring a dish to share. Doors open at 1:15pm with snacks and beverages. Dinner will be served at 2pm. We enjoy a bountiful dinner with fellowship before and after the meal. **Please note** that this year’s dinner will be held at [205 Fellows St.](http://205FellowsSt.com) in St. Charles. Sign up at [uusg.org/thanksgiving-signup](http://uusg.org/thanksgiving-signup).

**November Friday Flick: *The Pilgrims*** explores the riveting true story of a small group of English Separatists whose determination to worship God as they saw fit planted the seeds of the American dream. Join us November 24, at 7pm.

**Learn to Play Guitar** Everything you need to learn guitar in one package! Acoustic Guitar with “how-to” book, carrying bag, tuner, and more. Check it out at [uusg.org/new2u](http://uusg.org/new2u).

**Our Whole Lives (OWL)** is a comprehensive curriculum exploring relationships, sexuality, and decision making for grades 7-9. If you’re interested in your child attending, please contact Jenny Montgomery at [Jenny@andymontgomery.com](mailto:Jenny@andymontgomery.com). Key Date: December 17, 12:30pm: Parent Meeting.

**UUSG Circle Suppers 2018!** Circle Suppers involve revolving groupings of participants who take turns hosting or providing a part of the meal for each of four monthly suppers. Participants will be grouped with different folks for each of the four monthly suppers, beginning in January. [uusg.org/circle-suppers](http://uusg.org/circle-suppers)

**Luncheonettes!** Please join us November 15, for lunch, a few laughs, and a loving community! Andres, Batavia. 11:30-1pm. All UUSG women and friends invited! RSVP by noon Tuesday at [uusg.org/luncheonettes](http://uusg.org/luncheonettes).

**Fire Alarm Best Practices** Good job, Congregation, on the semi-annual fire drill! The Geneva Fire Department and our Emergency Response Team noted excellent response times in a safe manner, and no one was left in the building. One important recommendation is that we are asked to gather on the sidewalk area by Patton House just to our south. This will be a huge help for first responders, and more importantly, aid in our own safety. Please feel free to contact the ERT at [ertleader@uusg.org](mailto:ertleader@uusg.org) if you would like to discuss further.

**Green Sanctuary Team: Save Your Styrofoam!** Just in time for the holidays, the GST has arranged to have a Blue Recycle Container placed on the back porch, exclusively for styrofoam.

**Rolling Out Realm!** UUSG has a new private social network for church communication. If you have not yet received an invite, please email [office@uusg.org](mailto:office@uusg.org). Need help getting started? Sign up for a one-on-one lesson with our Congregational Administrator, Christine Imielski, on the bulletin board in the Common Room.

**UUSG is now collaborating with St Charles Episcopal** on our joint mission to feed the needy in Kane County. They help us with Lazarus House meals and we help with their Soup Kitchen. Please see [sign-up](http://uusg.org/sign-up) for info or contact Martha Tabis with questions.