

**The Fox River Valley Initiative program**, “Exercise in Democracy” will allow all 9 Illinois States Attorney General candidates to be on the podium. One of these lucky candidates will win, all of them will say - who are these people?! And more important - what do they want?! We want Social Justice! This is how you get it. Many SAGs have famously grown a back bone and are standing up to nefarious political winds, and are capable of having a dramatic input into actions in our states. UUSG will have a contingent - all are invited. Sunday, March 11, 4-5:15 pm, Maine East High School Auditorium, Park Ridge. Check out the [flyer](#).

**Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.** Shop New2U. Good for the environment; good for UUSG. Find a [link](#) to New2U on UUSG’s home page.

**Save the Date!** The Green Sanctuary Team will hold their Green Dinner on Saturday, May 5, at 5pm, in the Common Room.

**New weekly feature - Climate Change** action report, week 1: Climate change can be stopped. But we have to ask for it to happen. If we join our voices with those around us, we will be heard. There are a lot of churches in the Fox Valley, we all want this one thing. But we have to ask.

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## Today & This Week at UUSG

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

### Sunday, February 25

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Communications Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Pathway to Membership
- 12:30 pm Personnel Meeting
- 12:30 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
- 12:45 pm LRE Team Meeting
- 6:00 pm Jazz Combo Rehearsal

### Monday, February 26

- 9:00 am Pioneer Newsletter Deadline
- 7:00 pm Reiki Share

### Tuesday, February 27

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 7:30 pm Last Tuesday Group Hypnosis

### Wednesday, February 28

- 11:30 am The Luncheonettes (off-site)
- 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 1

- 7:00 pm Foxfire Pan Pagan Earth Circle

### Friday, March 2

### Saturday, March 3

- 10:00 am Jazz Combo Rehearsal

### Sunday, March 4

- 10:30 am Commit to Knit
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Women’s Retreat Information Meeting
- 12:45 pm Ministry on Ministries Meeting

# Welcome to This House!



*February 25, 2018*

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### Today’s Worship Team

Musician: Tom Zimmerman  
YRUU Students: Alex Cordogan, Stephan Cordogan, Amber Dotson, Salome Fogleman, Maddy Glazier, Jane Holish, Collin Klein, Ellie Montgomery, Emily Plass, Kenna Powell, Anna Rosenkrans, Zoe Steele, Quinn Welsh  
Social Hour Hosts: Women’s Retreat Group  
Counters: David Moore, Kevin Beyer

### Upcoming Services

March 4: Annual Interweave Service  
March 11: Guest in the Pulpit: Jim Scott

*Come as you are.*

## Order of Worship

### Ingathering Music

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

**Song of Community** # 301 “Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky!”

### Words of Welcome

### Community Announcements

### Congregational Greetings

*Enter into Shared Silence at the sound of the Rin Gong.*

**Prelude** *Lule Lule*, (Emily Plass)

### Chalice Lighting

**Song of Praise** (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

**Antiphonal Reading** # 530 “Out of the Stars”

**Our Covenant** (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

**Doxology** (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

### Intro to The Offering

**Offering** *Simple Man*, Jensen Ackles (Ensemble)

### For All Ages

*Children & teachers go to religious education classes.*

**Prelude** *Prelude*, Wolfhart (Quinn Welsh, Alex & Stephan Cordogan)

### Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

**Responsive Music** *Bouree*, Handel (Maddy Glazier)

**Reading** Amber Dotson

**Song** *Waving Through a Window*, Pasek & Paul (Zoe Steele, Jane Holish)

**Senior Sermon** Alex Cordogan

**Song** *Carry On*, Norah Jones (Ellie Montgomery)

**Senior Sermon** Kenna Powell

**Hymn** #191 “Now I Recall My Childhood”

**Unison Closing** # 529 “The Stream of Life”  
*Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction*

**Postlude** *Three Little Birds*, Bob Marley (Ensemble)

## Announcements

**Thank you,** Women’s Retreat Group for our Social Hour this morning. We are grateful the Social Justice Team will host next week. We appreciate all of you!

**The Welcoming Team** offers a one-day Pathway to Membership program, 12:30-4pm, today, in the Common Room. Newcomers can experience ‘the best of’ our former New UUs orientation combined with the required elements of the Membership Preparation Class in a single three-hour session. We’ll kick things off at 12:30 with a light lunch. Please RSVP at [uusg.org/pathway-to-membership](http://uusg.org/pathway-to-membership).

**“Even though February was the shortest month** of the year, sometimes it seemed like the longest.” — J.D. Robb  
Come celebrate the end of grey February with UUSG women at Luncheonettes on Wednesday, February 28, 11:30am-1pm, at Andres Restaurant, Batavia. RSVP by 2/27, at noon at [uusg.org/luncheonettes](http://uusg.org/luncheonettes).

**February “Beyond Our Walls”** will support our church’s active involvement with Habitat for Humanity. Our YRUU and Young Adult groups will be traveling this summer to work on Habitat houses. Your donation will be used to support the trips, and as contributions to the local chapters with which we work. Write “BOW” in the memo line. Thank you!

**The Emergency Response Team (ERT)** is expanding to better ensure we all have a safe worship experience. We are seeking volunteers to implement an internal Security Team that would be “on duty” on Sunday mornings. Training would be provided to ready us to handle an unplanned situation dealing with disruptive, threatening, and violent types of behavior. If you are willing to be part of a rotating pool of people, please contact Hal Schulman at [ertleader@uusg.org](mailto:ertleader@uusg.org). A professional background/degree in a related field is not required.

**UUSG’s annual Day of Service** is scheduled for Saturday, April 7. There will be many ways for all ages to get involved - from volunteering at the food bank, to putting together gift bags of personal care items for senior citizens, to writing postcards to representatives. Sign up at [uusg.org/day-of-service](http://uusg.org/day-of-service).

**Please join us at 12:30 in the Alcott room** on March 4, for a Women’s Retreat meeting! Whether you are interested in learning more about the Annual UUSG Women’s Retreat, commenting on our last one, or contributing ideas for our next one in January 2019, please do come by. We’ll be in the Alcott room, outside Lindsay’s office, so bring your lunch if you like. If you can’t make the meeting, feel free to send comments to our Planning Committee Chairwoman, Rachel Harbold, at [womensretreat@uusg.org](mailto:womensretreat@uusg.org).

**Naming & Dedication Services: March 25** Once again, it’s time to plan for our annual Naming & Dedication Services. We need to know how many families would like to take part and how many children will be dedicated, and we need that information no later than Sunday, March 4. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Lindsay at [minister@uusg.org](mailto:minister@uusg.org).

**The Interim Ministry Search Process** is in full-swing! Stay up-to-date with the latest news and information at [uusg.org/interim-minister](http://uusg.org/interim-minister), or check out the bulletin board in the Common Room. Questions or comments? Email [interimtaskforce@uusg.org](mailto:interimtaskforce@uusg.org).

**Internet Safety: What Can Save You From Social Media Oriented Crimes.** Sunday, April 8 at 1pm. Please join us as Detective Sarah Sullivan from the Geneva Police Department presents information regarding some of today’s real concerns for our teens. Topics include cyber-bullying, sexting, internet identity theft, and other social media oriented acts. She will share recommendations for teens and parents that can support avoiding becoming a victim, and what to do if you do become one. Register in Realm under the “Events” section. For info please contact Hal Schulman, at [ertleader@uusg.org](mailto:ertleader@uusg.org). \*Please note that the material presented is not suitable for youth younger than 7th grade\*

**For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible** as literature, “Bible Study for UUs” is on the third Monday of each month, 7-8:30pm. Our next meeting will be on March 19. We’ll be discussing Acts. For future planning, in April we’ll be discussing Exodus. In May, we’ll discuss “The Triumph of Christianity: How a Forbidden Religion Swept the World” by Bart Ehrman. For more info, contact Jim Frazier, [biblestudy@uusg.org](mailto:biblestudy@uusg.org).