Check out the solid Manchester Wood side table/stand - and other great offerings from Rev. Lindsay (various tote/travel bags, CDs, and a doll) - on New2U. All purchases benefit the programs of UUSG. The New2U link is on UUSG's home page.

New UUs ReUUnion! If you attended "New UUs," "Membership Preparation Class," or a "Pathway to Membership" session since January of 2016, you are invited to attend a reunion potluck party hosted by the Welcoming Team on Sunday, May 6, at 6pm. Leaders from various teams will be there to talk about their work and mission. Bring a spouse, partner, or a friend, (and a dish!), and join us for an evening of food and fun. uusg.org/new-uus-reunion.

"All my life through, the new sights of Nature made me rejoice like a child." – Marie Curie. Info at uusg.com/green-sanctuary.

The Green Sanctuary Team will hold their Green Dinner on Saturday, May 5, at 5pm. Sign up at <u>uusg.org/green-dinner</u>.

If you would like to remember a loved one with a carved stone in our Memorial Garden, please give a completed order form (tinyurl.com/ko46op8) to Christine today. The Memorial Garden Dedication Service will be held May 27, at 2pm.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, April 15

• 10:30 am Hospitality & Fellowship Team Meeting

• 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group

• 12:30 pm Interweave

• 12:30 pm Welcoming Team Meeting

• 1:00 pm Mental Health Ministry: #MeToo

• 7:00 pm Reiki Share

Monday, April 16

• 7:00 pm "Bible Study for UUs" Group

Tuesday, April 17

• 10:30 am Staff Meeting

4:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Group7:00 pm Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 18

• 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

• 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

• 7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting

Thursday, April 19

• 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle

• 7:00 pm Foxfire Pan Pagan Earth Circle

Friday, April 20

• 6:30 pm OWL Overnight Begins

Saturday, April 21

• 4:00 pm OWL Overnight Ends

Sunday, April 22

11:15 am
 12:30 pm
 12:30 pm
 Special Board Budget Meeting

12:45 pm LRE Team Meeting
6:00 pm Jazz Combo Rehearsal

Welcome to This House!



April 15, 2018

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

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Today's Worship Team

Worship Associate: Doreen Christiani, Julie Riffle

Musician: Lynn Fisher McCanne Social Hour Hosts: The Finance Team Counters: Brad Lipman, Martha Tabis

Upcoming Services

April 22: Guest in the Pulpit: the Rev. Chip Roush April 29: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringing of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

Song of Community # 403 "Spirit of Truth, of Life, of Power"

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Congregational Greetings

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

Prelude Melody in F, Anton Rubinstein, arr. Buchtel

Chalice Lighting

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

Antiphonal Reading # 529 "The Stream of Life"

Our Covenant (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Doxology (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Intro to The Offering

Offering Everybody's Blues, Bill Boyd

For All Ages Julie Riffle

Children & teachers go to religious education classes.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Responsive Music Imagine (Lennon, arr. Heumann)

Readings

Hymn # 117 "O Light of Life"

Sermon "Hitting People With Sticks"

the Rev. Dr. C. Scot Giles

Hymn # 1008 "When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place"

Unison Closing # 688 (Nancy Wood)

Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction

Postlude Prelude from Jazz Suite, Glenda Austin

Announcements

The Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates will be on Retreat through 4/16.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the April 7, Annual Day of Service! We had 180 church members and friends helping to make the event a success - promoting practical goodness in the world and strengthening our UUSG community.

The 2018-2019 Pledge Drive has ended, but it's not too late to submit your pledge. We cannot finalize our annual budget without having a solid financial foundation. If you are planning on pledging, the time to do it is now. Pledge forms are available in the Common Room or online at uusg.org/pledge-form. Thank you to all UUSG members and friends for your generous support.

Special Budget Board Meeting All UUSG members are invited to attend a special Board Meeting to discuss the 2018-2019 Budget on Sunday, April 22 at 12:30pm in the Common Room.

Mark Your Calendar: Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 20, at 12:30pm. Voting Members, please RSVP at uusg.org/annual-meeting-rsvp. The Proposed Slate of Candidates for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors and Nominating Committee has been announced. View the slate at uusg.org/2018-2019-slate or in the Common Room.

The Beyond Our Walls cause for April will be the Conservation Foundation. The Conservation Foundation is a non-profit land and river protection organization founded in 1972. With the support of more than 3,500 members and 500 volunteers The Conservation foundation preserves and restores open space and natural lands, protects rivers and watersheds, and promotes stewardship of the environment in DuPage, Kane, Kendall and Will Counties. theconservationfoundation.org

Get Involved With Interweave We are a local group of LGBTQ members, friends and allies who meet once a month for discussions and special events. We will meet at 12:30, today, to plan upcoming activities for Pride Month in June and discuss current community events.

Can our 3rd St. green space paint a picture of who we are as a church community? Can it welcome like-minded strangers who are seeking a church family? Even the smallest notions generate new ideas, and we want to hear them. What are your dreams, visions and ideas for this space? Please, drop a note in the Idea Box, located in the Common Room. Thank You!

For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible as literature, "Bible Study for UUs" will meet April 16, 7-8:30pm. We'll be discussing Exodus. In May, we will discuss "The Triumph of Christianity: How a Forbidden Religion Swept the World," by Bart Ehrman.

April 22 Guest-in-the-Pulpit The Rev. Chip Roush serves the First Unitarian Church of South Bend. He was an Intern Minister at UUSG in 2003-'04. Chip is a co-author of "The Arc of the Universe is Long: Unitarian Universalists, Anti-Racism, and the Journey from Calgary." He still listens to (and occasionally preaches about) the Grateful Dead.

Soup Kitchen Group needs volunteers again in April to prepare and serve food for the needy. Come join in the camaraderie and that good feeling of helping others. Next dates: Wed., Apr 25, 6:30-9:00pm in St Charles, and Thurs, Apr 26, 10:30am-2:00pm, in Aurora. Sign up at uusg.org/soup-kitchen. Questions: martha.tabis@gmail.com.

Friday Flicks If a crime is committed in order to prevent a greater crime, is it forgivable? Is it, in fact, necessary? The Reluctant Radical follows activist Ken Ward as he confronts his fears and puts himself in the direct path of the fossil fuel industry to combat climate change. Join us April 27, at 7pm, for the Friday Flick, sponsored by the Green Sanctuary Team.

Come and Explore the Labyrinth! We hope you can join us on Saturday, April 28, 1-4 pm, for the Women's Circle's final session of this church year. Julia Friesen and Pat O'Malley will facilitate. After a discussion on labyrinths, we'll have the opportunity to walk an indoor labyrinth. uusg.org/womens-circle.

Thank you, Finance Team, for our Social Hour this morning. We look forward to Social Hour with our Facilities Team next week. We appreciate all who host!