

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

Stroll through the woods with a naturalist and learn the native wildflowers that carpet the forest floor on Thursday, May 10, from 5:30-6:30pm, at Johnson's Mound Forest Preserve. Call 630-444-3190 to register.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, April 22

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Special Board Budget Meeting
- 12:45 pm LRE Team Meeting
- 6:00 pm Jazz Combo Rehearsal

Monday, April 23

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

Tuesday, April 24

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

Wednesday, April 25

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

Thursday, April 26

- 6:00 pm Youth Outlook
- 7:00 pm Meditation for Connection

Friday, April 27

- 11:30 am The Geezers Group (offsite)
- 7:00 pm Friday Flicks

Saturday, April 28

- 1:00 pm Women's Circle
- 3:00 pm Jazz Combo Rehearsal

Sunday, April 29

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
- 1:00 pm Mental Health Series Presentation

Welcome to This House!



April 22, 2018

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Today's Worship Team

Worship Associate: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates
Musicians: The UUSG Choir led by Cynthia Spiegel;
Sandra Anderson-Cordogan
Social Hour Hosts: The Facilities Team
Counters: Patricia Ward, Patrick McGleam

Upcoming Services

April 29: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates
May 6: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringling of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

Song of Community # 203 “All Creatures of the Earth & Sky”

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Congregational Greetings

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

Prelude *Yonder Come Day*, Tucker, arr. Hardin

Chalice Lighting

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

Antiphonal Reading # 445 “The Womb 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 *Little Bird*, Edvard Grieg

For All Ages Rev. Chip Roush

Children & teachers go to religious education classes.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Responsive Music *Ancient Mother*, Native American, arr. Bradfield

Reading “Prayer for Passion,” Steve Garnaas-Holmes

Hymn # 163 “For the Earth Forever Turning”

Sermon “Our Categorical Imperative to Save Our Biosphere”
the Rev. Mr. Chip Roush

Hymn # 1064 “Blue Boat Home”

Unison Closing # 680 (Barbara Pescan)

Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction

Postlude *Gently Walk On the Earth*, Brian Tate

Announcements

Thank you, Facilities Team, for our Social Hour this morning. We are grateful that our Buddhist Study Group will host next week. We appreciate all who help!

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 today, at 12:30, in the Common Room.

Volunteers Urgently Needed for this week’s **Soup Kitchen Group**. So far only one person has signed up for April 25 & 26. Our church has made an ongoing commitment to Lazarus House/Trinity Episcopal to provide 5 volunteers each month, 2 on Wednesday and 3 on Thursday. If you can be a part of this important ministry, sign up at uusg.org/soup-kitchen. Questions: martha.tabis@gmail.com.

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.

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!

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

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.

Mental Health Series Presentation: From psychoanalysis to psychopharmacology—The changing nature of mental health treatment. Members of the Mental Health Ministry will talk about their own experiences to illustrate the various modalities of treatment. Join us in the Common Room for this two-part series on Sunday, April 29, at 1pm, & Sunday, May 6, at 1pm.

Get Involved With Interweave May 20 We are a local group of LGBTQ members, friends and allies who meet once a month to have time together for discussions and special events. We will meet at 12:30 to plan upcoming activities for Pride Month in June and discuss current community events. For information please contact Lynn Steele at interweave.leader@uusg.org.

New at New2U: Cuddly soft flower hats in lightweight fleece for spring. Watch for Martha at coffee hour - she’ll have a selection of sizes and colors and will customize; or find photos and more info at the New2U link on UUSG’s home page. All monies support UUSG programs.

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.