

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

For all of your hang ups...a place to hang them. We now have coat hooks in the back hall. When not in use, the hooks should be put in the up position so as not to poke anyone in the eye.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, April 29

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
- 1:00 pm Mental Health Series Presentation
- 4:00 pm Foxfire Pan Pagan Earth Circle (off-site)

Monday, April 30

Tuesday, May 1

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm Program & Administrative Councils

Wednesday, May 2

- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

Thursday, May 3

Friday, May 4

- 4:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Group

Saturday, May 5

- 1:00 pm FUUision Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm Green Sanctuary Team: Green Dinner

Sunday, May 6

- 10:30 am Commit to Knit
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 11:15 am Finance Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Celebrations Committee Meeting
- 12:45 pm Ministry on Ministries Meeting
- 1:00 pm Mental Health Series Presentation
- 6:00 pm New UU’s ReUUnion

Welcome to This House!



April 29, 2018

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of Geneva**

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Today’s Worship Team

Worship Associates: Don Brod, Roxanne Willis
Musicians: Cynthia Spiegel & UUSG Jazz Combo: Michael Townley, Tracey Dullea, Geoff Pynn, Jeff Teppema, Nate Thomas
Social Hour Hosts: The Buddhist Study Group
Counters: Dave Moore, Jamie Carroll

Upcoming Services

May 6: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates
May 13: Intergenerational Mothers’ Day Service

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringling of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

Song of Community # 1050 “Jazz Alleluia”

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Congregational Greetings

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

Prelude *Let There Be Love*

Chalice Lighting

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

Antiphonal Reading # 654 “Impassioned Clay”

Our Covenant (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Doxology (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Intro to The Offering

Offering *Stairway to Paradise*, George Gershwin

For All Ages Tom Lichtenheld

Children & teachers go to religious education classes.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Responsive Music *Standing on the Side of Love*, Jason Shelton

Reading

Hymn # 311 “Let it Be a Dance”

Sermon “Emptying Out the Files”
the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

Hymn # 1059 “May Your Life Be As a Song”

Unison Closing # 458 (Walter Royal Jones, Jr.)

Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction

Postlude *The Blessing*, Ornett Coleman

Announcements

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

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 today, at 1pm, & Sunday, May 6, at 1pm.

Ride a Bike Spring is here— time to get off the couch and out in the fresh air. For family biking, New2U has a youth mountain bike— a red Giant. Find more information via the New2U link on UUSG’s home page.

The Green Sanctuary Team will hold their Green Dinner on Saturday, May 5, at 5pm. Sign up in the Common Room or at uusg.org/green-dinner. It looks like it will be a lot like the Harvest Dinner, only a little more cozy. Citizens Climate Lobby will have a presentation about their Carbon Tax and Dividend proposal. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about this very important idea. Find out why the carbon tax is considered the gold standard of climate solutions. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

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.

If you have requested a nametag, please check out the basket in the vestibule. There are several that have been there a couple of months.

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.

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.

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.

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 May 21. We’ll be discussing “The Triumph of Christianity: How a Forbidden Religion Swept the World” by Bart Ehrman. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier biblestudy@uusg.org.

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.

Wanted: A party of brave adventurers, mages, fighters and the like to be sent on an epic quest wherein lie hoards of gold and magical treasure! A UUSG Dungeons and Dragons tabletop role playing group to be held on every 3rd Tuesday and 1st Friday of the month, 4-6:30pm, and 7-9:30pm at UUSG. No role play or gaming experience necessary. uusg.org/dungeonsanddragons.