

**July 1 Guest in the Pulpit:** Aaron Fogleman is a professor of Early American History at Northern Illinois University and has been attending UUSG for many years. He will be speaking about the meaning of Independence Day historically and in the present, among other things challenging those present to consider the ideals and accomplishments associated with 1776 in this country, the many failures historically and in the present to live up to those ideals, and what we might do to further those ideals, which are quite compatible with our covenant.

**We know everyone is looking** forward to summer, but fall is right around the corner. We would appreciate if everyone could sign up for Social Hours coming up starting Sept 9. Sign up [uusg.org/hosting](http://uusg.org/hosting). Questions? Email [hospitality@uusg.org](mailto:hospitality@uusg.org).

**Foxfire Pan Pagan Earth Circle** will meet on June 21, at an off-site location for a Summer Solstice Ritual. Email Ro Maziarz at [foxfire@uusg.org](mailto:foxfire@uusg.org) for details.

**Fox Valley Recycle Extravaganza** is July 14, at the Kane County Fairgrounds. Details are available in the weekly E-Blast.

**Save the Date** for the 6th Annual Women's Retreat. It will be February 1-3, 2019.

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## **Today & This Week at UUSG**

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

**Sunday, June 17 Fathers' Day**

- 10:00 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 10:00 am Summer Youth Hangtime
- 12:00 pm Celebration of Rev. Lindsay
- 7:00 pm Reiki Share

**Monday, June 18**

- 7:00 pm "Bible Study for UUs" Group

**Tuesday, June 19 Swedish Days / Office Closed**

- 4:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Group

**Wednesday, June 20**

- 7:00 pm Citizens Climate Lobby

**Thursday, June 21**

- 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle (off-site)
- 7:00 pm Foxfire Pan Pagan Earth Circle (off-site)

**Friday, June 22**

- 10:00 am Geneva Learners
- 11:30 am The Geezers Group (off-site)

**Saturday, June 23**

- 12:00 pm Social Justice Annual Retreat (off-site)

**Sunday, June 24 Swedish Days / No Service**

# **Welcome to This House!**



*June 17, 2018*

## **Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva**

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### **Today's Worship Team**

Worship Associate: Diane Gallentine  
Musicians: "Bye-bye Band" Geoff Pynn, Tracy Dullea,  
Tracey McFadden, Andy Montgomery, Jim Miles  
Counter: Brad Lipman

### **Upcoming Services**

June 24: No Service / Swedish Days  
July 1: Aaron Fogleman

# **We Celebrate Our Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates**

## Order of Worship

### Ingathering Music

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

**Song of Community** # 123 “Spirit of Life”

### Words of Welcome

### Community Announcements

### Congregational Greetings

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

**Prelude** *Happy Together*, Bonner, Gordon

### Chalice Lighting

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

**Antiphonal Reading** # 728 “Blessed Are Those”

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

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

### Intro to The Offering

**Offering** *Aint’ No Sunshine*, Bill Withers

### For All Ages

*Children & facilitators leave for Summer Youth Hangtime.*

### Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

**Responsive** *Don’t Cry for Me, Old Geneva*, music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, lyrics by Lindsay Bates

### Readings

**Hymn** # 290 “Bring, O Past, Your Honor”

**Sermon** “A Few Last Words,” the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates  
Ritual of Release from the Covenant of Ministry

**Hymn** # 295 “Sing Out Praises for the Journey”

**Unison Closing** # 696 (Mary Oliver)

*Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction*

**Postlude** *Don’t Stop Thinking About Tomorrow*, Fleetwood Mac

## Announcements

**Celebration of Rev. Lindsay!** Today, 12-3pm. Open-house style party for all our members and friends and their families. There will be fabulous music, yummy refreshments, and just a bit of programming. And, of course—there will be cake!

**The Swedish Days Festival kicks off this Tuesday**, and we need all hands on deck to make our pizza booth a HUGE success. We need shifts filled and FAST! Our pizza booth is the largest fundraiser for our church and we have several shifts still open. It’s an easy job – take orders, serve food, collect money and SMILE! Simple and ALL of you can do it. New this year is a job perfect for those who would rather not stand in the booth...we are picking up our pizzas and bringing them to the booth. You can stay in the comfort of your air conditioned car and head to Charlie Fox’s on the east side to pick up the pizza. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE help us out!!! Please go to [uusg.org/swedish-days](http://uusg.org/swedish-days) and sign up!

**The BOW cause for June** is the Jane Adeny Memorial School for Girls in rural Kenya. JAMS provides an education “good enough for the richest and open to the poorest.” Some of the students have parents who can pay at least some of their school fees; however, most JAMS students would not be in school if not for the support of generous donors. Some of these students are orphans, others desperately poor. By addressing the financial barriers that would normally keep girls from attending a secondary school, JAMS is answering the recommendation by the Global Campaign for Education to address financial issues to allow for greater gender equity in education.

**If you spent money** on behalf of UUSG this year and have not yet requested reimbursement, please do so by June 30. Reimbursement request envelopes are available just outside our Congregational Administrator’s office.

**If you haven’t fulfilled** your 2017-18 operating fund pledge commitment yet, please try to do so by June 30. Questions? Contact Christine at [office@uusg.org](mailto:office@uusg.org).

**Pathway to Membership** Are you new around here? Have you been wondering what UUSG is all about? Are you looking for something to do on a Sunday afternoon? Would you like a free lunch? The UUSG Welcoming Team invites interested newcomers to attend our next Pathway to Membership (P2M) session on Sunday, July 22. Gather in the Common Room right after the regular worship service. We'll kick things off around 11am with a light lunch. More details and RSVP at [uusg.org/pathway-to-membership](http://uusg.org/pathway-to-membership).

**While formal Social Hour has ended until fall**, we welcome volunteers who will share treats, coffee or cold drinks through our Summer Sundays. Giving each other a place to gather and enjoy time together is a valued part of our Sunday mornings. Questions? [hospitality@uusg.org](mailto:hospitality@uusg.org).

**UUSG is in the Swedish Days Parade!** Sign up to march with us on June 26, at [uusg.org/parade](http://uusg.org/parade). We will be gathering at 12:45pm at the corner of Center and Anderson Streets (Geneva High School). Bring kazoos, bubbles to blow, and UU t-shirts to wear (and let us know if you have extras that can be shared with other marchers)!

**Sister Suppers**, modeled on the traditional UU Circle Suppers, are social gatherings of women members and friends of UUSG. Four Sister Suppers will be held during late summer and fall. The sign-up is now open through June 30. [uusg.org/sister-suppers](http://uusg.org/sister-suppers). Need more info? Sherri Casterline, (847) 464-5302.

**Housekeeping Note:** A reminder that there is no eating or drinking in the Sanctuary. Please help us take care of our new carpet and painted floors by cleaning up any spills as soon as possible. Food and drinks should only be consumed in the Common Room or the kitchen. Please remember to clean up after your selves throughout the building as we have had many “critter” issues recently.

**The Social Justice Team will hold their annual retreat** on Saturday, June 23, at 12:00pm, at the Scown’s home in Geneva. A discussion to select the BOW recipients for FY18-19 and set Social Justice Key goals follows a potluck lunch. Everyone is welcome. Please RSVP (link in weekly email) and sign up to bring a dish.