

Seeking Member Names for Transition Team The Board requests your input as they appoint the new Transition Team. The Team consists of five members of the congregation who are active at church, are good listeners, and are willing to be engaged with this time of reflection as we prepare for new professional ministry. The Team works with the congregation and the interim ministers as a “think tank” and as a body for information and conversation about the interim experience. They also assist with events such as the interim minister startup retreat and a day to review church history. The Board asks each person at UUSG to send them 3 names of members between now and September 9. Email, notes, even phone texts are great ways to send in names. Small slips of paper will be available at church for the next 3 Sundays. There will be a final collection during the Homecoming worship and the picnic on September 9. The Board will put together a preliminary team on September 11. They expect to announce the final team on September 16. **See UUSG President David de Coriolis, other members of the Board, and Revs. Patrick and Jennifer for questions. Send email notes to board@uusg.org.**

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, September 2

- 10:00 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 10:00 am Summer Youth Hang Time
- 1:30 pm Directory Photos
- 7:00 pm UUSG House Band Rehearsal

Monday, September 3

- Labor Day – Office Closed

Tuesday, September 4

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

Wednesday, September 5

- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism & Meditation Study Group

Thursday, September 6

- 6:45 pm LRE Teacher Meeting

Friday, September 7

- 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Group

Saturday, September 8

- 2:00 pm UUSG House Band Rehearsal

Sunday, September 9

- 10:30 am Veterans’ Service Planning Meeting
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Green Sanctuary Team Meeting
- 1:00 pm UUSG Homecoming Picnic (off-site)
- 6:30 pm FVJN Rosh Hashanah Service

Reminder: Sunday September 9, Homecoming Sunday! We return to two services, 9:30am and 11:15am, next Sunday.

Welcome to This House!



September 2, 2018

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Today’s Worship Team

In the Pulpit: William Elbert
Musician: Tom Zimmerman
Readers: Tom Peters, Kim McDuffee Dotson,
Diane Gallentine, William Elbert
Greeters: Mary Davis, Susan Williams
Counters: Kevin O’Neill, Sherri Casterline

Upcoming Services

September 9: Homecoming Sunday!
September 16: Rev. Patrick Price & Rev. Jennifer Innis

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringling of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

Song of Community # 101 “Abide with Me”

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Congregational Greetings

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

Prelude

Chalice Lighting

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

Antiphonal # 567 “To Be of Use”

Our Covenant (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Doxology (see words inside front of gray hymnal)

Intro to The Offering / Beyond Our Walls

Lazarus House, Andrew Wegner

Offering

For All Ages Deb Brod

Children & facilitators leave for Summer Youth Hangtime.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Responsive Music

Readings

Hymn # 324 “Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads”

Sermon “Familiar and Fresh,” William Elbert

Hymn # 108 “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

Unison Closing # 504 (E.E. Cummings)

Please be seated for Postlude and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

Registration for our 2018-2019 LRE programs for children and youth is now open! The first day of LRE classes is Sunday, September 9, please register all youth by September 6. Visit uusg.org/registration to get started. Questions? LRE@uusg.org.

September “Beyond Our Walls”: Lazarus House provides safe shelter, food and a range of support services for men, women and children in need of help in St Charles, Geneva, Batavia and Western Kane county. In addition to shelter and food, Lazarus provides case management that helps people identify benefits that they are eligible to receive from other social service agencies in our area that offer support for employment, food pantries, low income housing, medical care, mental health counseling, addiction counseling and more. To donate, make checks out to “UUSG” with “BOW” in the memo line.

The August BOW collection for the Northern Illinois Food Bank totaled \$961.00. Thank you for your generous giving!

Annual Homecoming Picnic! Join UUSG members & friends as we celebrate our 12th Annual UUSG Picnic, Sunday, September 9, 1-4pm, at Wheeler Park Pavilion. Fried chicken is provided. Sign up in the Common Room or at uusg.org/picnic. RSVP by September 6. Questions? Email: picnic@uusg.org.

Parking alert! Geneva’s Festival of the Vine takes place September 7-9. Also, the city is repaving 3rd Street. There will be no parking on 3rd and 2nd from Campbell to Fulton, 9/17-10/4. Please leave extra time to find parking on Sundays.

The UUSG Fall - Winter 2018 Printed Directory If you and/or your family would like to be included in our upcoming printed directory, please visit uusg.org/directory or the bulletin board in the Common Room for instructions. Deadline to update your information is September 30. Questions? Contact Christine at office@uusg.org.

Save the date, Saturday, November 10, for Harvest Dinner.

BBQ at the Museum UUSG has 8 free tickets to the Geneva History Museum’s Annual BBQ & Fundraiser on Thursday, September 13, 6-9pm. See Christine in the office or email her at office@uusg.org. First come, first served.

For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible as literature, “Bible Study for UUs” will meet September 17, 7-8:30pm. We’ll be finishing our discussion of “The Triumph of Christianity: How a Forbidden Religion Swept the World” by Bart Ehrman. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier at biblestudy@uusg.org.

Get Involved With Interweave Interweave is a local group of LGBTQ members, friends and allies who meet once a month for discussions and special events. Due to a busy church schedule in September, we will delay the start of our monthly meetings until October 2. We will gather at 12:30 at the church for our fall social and walk to a nearby restaurant for lunch. Questions? Lynn Steele interweave@uusg.org

Women’s Circle: Is this “happiness” thing all it’s cracked up to be? With all the books, articles, and YouTube videos showing us how to achieve happiness, shouldn’t we all be living in a perpetual state of euphoric joy? If you’re not, and if you suspect there’s a bit more to what you’re looking for, we hope you’ll join us for the year’s first Women’s Circle on Saturday, September 22, at 1pm for “Happiness?”. We’ll examine this state of well-being and whether there may be a better alternative. Register at uusg.org/womens-circle. Thanks to those who have already volunteered to help with set up, clean up, and food. We could use a few more helpers!

Save the Date! The 6th Annual UUSG Women’s Retreat will be February 1-3, 2019. This year’s theme is “Awakening Joy by Embracing Change.”

Are you good with numbers? We are looking for a few “Assistant Counters” to count the Sunday Collection. You will work with an experienced member of the Finance Team who will teach you the ropes. If you are interested, please stop by Christine’s office or email her at office@uusg.org.