

**Friday Flicks Oct 26, 7pm:** *Almost Sunrise* tells the inspiring story of two young men who attempt to put their haunting Iraq combat experiences behind them by taking a 2,700 mile trek on foot across America. This special showing is hosted by the UUSG veterans group as part of our annual Veteran's Day recognition.

**At this year's Veterans Day service** on November 11, we will once again have a rolling display with photos of veterans in the UUSG congregation, as well as family members who served in the armed forces in any country throughout the family history of congregation members. Please send Jeff ([jtstibal@gmail.com](mailto:jtstibal@gmail.com)) your images by Wednesday, November 7. Questions? Aaron Fogleman ([aaronfogleman@niu.edu](mailto:aaronfogleman@niu.edu)).

**From Project SnowFall**, Celebrate the sending of our 5th letter, *The Moral Imperative*, to our elected representatives. Also, we will read the second letter to our congregation from Senator Duckworth in the sanctuary at 12:15pm. All are invited.

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

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

### **Sunday, October 7**

- 10:30 am RE Music Art Project
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 11:15 am Finance Team Meeting

### **Monday, October 8**

- 11:30 am Women's Circle Planning Meeting
- 7:00 pm Reiki Discussion Group

### **Tuesday, October 9**

- 9:30 am Geneva Girl Scout Leader Meeting
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm Board of Directors

### **Wednesday, October 10**

- 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, October 11**

- 6:00 pm Youth Outlook
- 6:30 pm Worship Team Meeting

### **Friday, October 12**

### **Saturday, October 13**

### **Sunday, October 14**

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Green Sanctuary Team Meeting

## **Welcome to This House!**



*October 7, 2018*

## **Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva**

*Theme for October: Death*

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

In the Pulpit: Rev. Patrick Price  
Musician: Geoff Pynn  
Social Hour Hosts: The Social Justice Team  
Counters: The Finance Team

### **Upcoming Services**

October 14: Guest in the Pulpit: Brian Doyle  
October 21: Rev. Jennifer Innis & Rev. Patrick Price

*Come as you are.*

## Order of Worship

### Ingathering Music

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

\***Song of Community** # 52 “In Sweet Fields of Autumn”

### Words of Welcome

### Community Announcements

### Congregational Greetings

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

**Prelude** *Dry Hands*, D. Rosenfeld

### Chalice Lighting

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

\***Antiphonal** # 557 “A Common Destiny”

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

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

### Intro to The Offering / Beyond Our Walls

Kevin Beyer & Lisa Gades for Humanitarian Service Project,  
Shawn Thornton for CROP Walk

**Offering** *H in New England*, M. Richter

**Sacred Story** “Death Is Stupid,” Anastasia Higginbotham  
*Children & facilitators leave for religious education*

**Children’s Departing Song:** *As You Go*, Nancy Belt  
“As you go, may love surround you, may truth be your guide,  
may peace be in your heart.”

### Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

**Musical Response** *Andras*, M. Richter

### Reading

\***Hymn** # 333 “Alone She Cuts and Binds the Grain”

**Sermon** “Time and Death and All the Stars: Unitarian  
Universalism and Death”

\***Hymn** # 324 “Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads”

\***Unison Closing** # 689 (Paul Robeson)

\***Sending Our Light into the World**

### \*Benediction

*Please be seated for Postlude*

**Postlude** *Death*, D. Rosenfeld

*Please stand as you are willing and able at the \**

## Announcements

**We are grateful to our Social Justice Team** for our Social Hour this morning and look forward to Social Hour with our Buddhist Meditation & Study Group next week! We value having a place to gather with our UUSG Community on Sunday mornings and appreciate all who help!

**We are deeply saddened to share** that UUSG Member, Jill Brown, passed away on October 1. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at UUSG on Saturday, November 10, with times and more details to be determined soon. We send our loving condolences to Don and Jill’s family and friends. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Revs. Jennifer and Patrick at interim.[coministers@uusg.org](mailto:coministers@uusg.org) or 630-232-2350, ext 103 (for Rev. Jennifer) or ext 102 (for Rev. Patrick).

**The Board of Directors** appreciate all the nominations we have received for positions on the Interim Minister Transition Team. There were many outstanding candidates for this team. The following people were selected to serve in this very important role; **Deb Brod, Bill Scown, Kathleen McFadden, Molly MacKay Zacker, and Aaron Fogleman.**

**The BOW collection for October** will go towards The Humanitarian Service Project (HSP) and CROP Walk. The HSP Senior Gift Bag project supplies area seniors with hygiene projects, facial tissues, and other special gifts that meet their basic and emotional needs. CROP Hunger Walks help support hunger-fighting development efforts and are community-wide events that raise fund to end hunger at home and around the world. You do not need to decide which of the two to support. All will benefit from your contribution unless you target your donation to one of the causes. Write checks to “UUSG” with “BOW” in the memo line.

**The September 2018 BOW** Collection raised \$1,096.50 for Lazarus House. Thank you for your generous support!

**A Gentle Reminder.** If your team/group/event uses cups or dishes, please wash them and put them away after use. Help keep our kitchen tidy.

**For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible** as literature, “Bible Study for UUs” will meet Oct. 15, 7-8:30pm. We will finish our discussion of, “The Triumph of Christianity: How a Forbidden Religion Swept the World” by Bart Ehrman. Please think about what to read after that. Exodus is under consideration. Need info? Jim Frazier [biblestudy@uusg.org](mailto:biblestudy@uusg.org).

**Mark your calendars**, because registration for the 6th Annual Women’s Retreat, “Awakening Joy by Embracing Change,” opens October 21. The retreat will be February 1-3, 2019. Spots fill up quickly so be sure to register early so you don’t miss out. Questions? Rachel Harbold at [womensretreat@uusg.org](mailto:womensretreat@uusg.org).

**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? The UUSG Welcoming Team invites interested newcomers to attend our next Pathway to Membership (P2M) session on Sunday, October 21. We’ll kick things off around 12:45 with a light lunch. RSVP at [uusg.org/pathway](http://uusg.org/pathway) or the sign-up in the Common Room.

**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 October 21, at 12:30, for our fall social and walk to a nearby restaurant for lunch. Questions? Lynn Steele [interweave.leader@uusg.org](mailto:interweave.leader@uusg.org)

**2018 UUSG Auction:** Saturday, Nov. 3, 5-8:30pm. Auctions Speak Louder than Tweets. This All-Church Auction will include special events and food for children! Auction donations are now being accepted! Please complete a donation form, RSVP, and sign up to bring refreshments at [uusg.org/auction](http://uusg.org/auction).

**Doodle Display Update** The display of Tom Lichtenheld’s doodles in the Common Room has been updated with some new pieces. Prints are available for \$15 apiece, with all proceeds going to UUSG. Details are on the order form to the right of the display. All orders will be available to pick up at social hour on Oct. 28.

**The sign-up for the Harvest dinner** (November 10) is now open at [uusg.org/harvest-dinner](http://uusg.org/harvest-dinner) and in the Common Room.