

**\$1000 Allison Thomas Scholarship** applications are being taken through May 3 by the Geneva Women's Club. Applicants must be: moms over age 26 w/ minor child/ren; pursuing education toward a specific degree or certification; enrolled in accredited institution or program; live in the Fox Valley. For more information or to apply, see [www.genevawomensclub.org](http://www.genevawomensclub.org).

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

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

### **Sunday, March 17**

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 11:15 am Welcoming Team Meeting
- 12:30 pm Transition Town Hall
- 7:00 pm Reiki Share

### **Monday, March 18**

- 7:00 pm Bible Study for UUs Group

### **Tuesday, March 19**

### **Wednesday, March 20**

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
- 4:30 pm FRVI Opioids Workgroup
- 6:30 pm Citizens Climate Lobby
- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group
- 7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting

### **Thursday, March 21**

- 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle
- 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Group (off-site)

### **Friday, March 22**

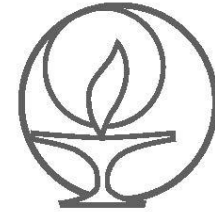
- 11:30 am The Geezers Group
- 7:00 pm Friday Flicks

### **Saturday, March 23**

- 1:00 pm Women's Circle
- 7:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

### **Sunday, March 24**

- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group
- 12:30 pm Social Justice Team Meeting



March 17, 2019

## **Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva**

March Theme:  
*Brokenness*

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

In the Pulpit: Rev. Patrick Price

Worship Associates: Pat Vary, Deb Brod

Musicians: Paul Moeller & Kerena Moeller

Counters: Patricia Ward, Diane Thornton

### **Upcoming Services**

March 24: Rev. Jennifer Innis, Rev. Patrick Price

March 31: Guest in the Pulpit: Rev. Linda S. Slabon  
and Toni Tollerud

*Come as you are.*

## Order of Worship

### Ingathering Music

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

\***Song of Community** # 360 “Here We Have Gathered”

### 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 Reading** # 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

### Offering

### Sacred Story

**Children & teachers leave for religious education classes.**

**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

### Readings

\***Hymn** # 1002 “Comfort Me”

**Sermon** “It’s How the Light Gets In”

\***Hymn** # 311 “Let It Be a Dance”

\***Unison Closing** # 456 “Extinguishing the Chalice”

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

\***Benediction**

*Please be seated for our Postlude*

### Postlude

\*Please stand as you are willing and able.

## Announcements

**Pledge Drive is in full swing!** If you weren’t in attendance last week, please take a pledge packet today. It contains information on building our future, our vision for Religious Education and details from the UUA to help determine fair share giving.

**Town Hall Today: Church and Search** The Transition Team invites all members and friends to the town hall conversation, Church and Search, at 12:30pm. As the congregation begins to imagine its future, what are its strengths? What would you change? Rev. Jennifer will organize a small group conversation based on these questions. The second part of the town hall will be an update on the interim and search processes. Feel free to send in your questions ahead of time or ask at the meeting.  
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**The day of service is less than two weeks away!** Don’t miss this chance to put our values into action in our community. We especially need volunteers for the food bank and school supplies kit project. Be sure to sign up in the Common Room or online by March 26.  
[uusg.org/day-of-service](http://uusg.org/day-of-service)

**For UUs who simply want to learn more about the Bible** as literature, “Bible Study for UUs” will meet Monday, March 18, 7-8:30pm. Each person should plan to read and discuss at least one of their favorite passages. Ecclesiastes 3 is already spoken for. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier [biblestudy@uusg.org](mailto:biblestudy@uusg.org).

**The March Beyond Our Walls (BOW)** offering will be going to support Youth Outlook which is the first social service agency in Illinois solely dedicated to the support of LGBTQ youth. They work in six counties in the Chicago suburbs, offering drop-in centers for youth, parent support, and community education. Our drop-in center here at UUSG has continued to meet this school year and will be joined by a number of new centers which will be added in our region in 2019. UUSG has proudly supported this work for years and Youth Outlook has grown with our help.

**March Women’s Circle:** This month we will use readings, poetry and music to uncover the variety of meanings in the word Sanctuary. Our March Circle will explore and discuss the need for Sanctuary, and where we each seek and find Sanctuary. Saturday, March 23, 1-4pm. [uusg.org/womens-circle](http://uusg.org/womens-circle)

**Wanted: Artists for the UUSG Art Wall** If you’d like to display your work on our Art Wall in the Common Room, please sign up in the Common Room. Past displays have included watercolors, photographs, poems, and knitted textiles. If you made it and can hang it on the wall, we’d be happy to display it!

**If you would like to remember a loved one** with a carved stone in our Memorial Garden, please give a completed order form ([tinyurl.com/ko46op8](http://tinyurl.com/ko46op8)) to Christine by April 15. The Memorial Garden Dedication Service will be held May 26, at 2pm.

**Canned Food Hunt on Easter!** Children and youth will collect food pantry donations along with celebrating Easter on April 21. More details to come. See Rev. Jennifer Innis for questions.

**New2U Offering:** See today’s “UUSG News” email for information on New2U sales to benefit UUSG. There’s an oversized gold-gilded frame, rustic nesting baskets, 8’ x 10’ area rug, generator, snow blower, and more.

**Music Party** Tom Zimmerman, Cynthia Spiegel, Aaron Fogleman, and Geoff Pynn are hosting a music party Saturday, April 6, at 7pm. All skill levels are welcome, from beginners to our best. A piano will be there, and you can bring any other instrument you like – including your voice! Please see complete details in the weekly email.

**Christine Returns!** Christine Imielski returns to UUSG part-time on Monday, March 18. Both Christine and Becky Hruby will be in the office through the end of March. Christine resumes full-time hours in April.