

UUSG Member Don Clements invites all to participate in the 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's taking place September 21, in St. Charles. All funds raised through the Walk further the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association and help those with Alzheimer's and dementia. Register at alzheimers-illinois.org/foxvalleywalk. A team has been set up for UUSG as "UUSG". For questions you may contact Don Clements at donald.clements@yahoo.com.

Interweave meeting August 18 at 11:30am. We will meet after service to discuss the UUA's LGBTQ/TGQNB (Transgender, Genderqueer, Non-Binary) five practices of the Welcoming Renewal Program. We will explore what steps we need to take to renew being a welcoming congregation. Your participation is very important. For more information, contact Marilyn Hebda at interweave@uusg.org.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, August 4

- 11:20 am Green Sanctuary Team Meeting

Monday, August 5

- 7:30 pm Technology Team Meeting

Tuesday, August 6

- 7:00 pm Program & Administrative Councils

Wednesday, August 7

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
- 6:00 pm Personnel Meeting
- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

Thursday, August 8

- 7:00 pm Transition Team Meeting

Friday, August 9

Saturday, August 10

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

Sunday, August 11

- 11:15 am Finance Team Meeting

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August 4, 2019

**Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva**

Summer Theme:
Unity & Diversity

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Cynthia Spiegel
Worship Associate: Doreen Christiani
Greeters: Glenda Peck, Gail Tattersfield
Youth Hangtime Leaders: Katie & Adam Yurkewicz
Musicians: Lynn Fisher McCanne, Ruth Cavanaugh, Cynthia Spiegel
Counters: Tom Haslett, Martha Tabis

Upcoming Services

Sunday, August 11: Rev. Jennifer Innis & Rev. Patrick Price
Sunday, August 18: Rev. Jennifer Innis & Rev. Patrick Price

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringing of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

***Song of Community** # 368 “Now Let Us Sing”

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Congregational Greetings

Enter into Shared Silence at the sound of the Rin Gong

Prelude # 362 “Rise Up, O Flame”

Chalice Lighting

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

***Antiphonal Reading** # 416 (Robert French Leavens)

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

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

Introduction to Offering/Beyond Our Walls

Northern Illinois Food Bank, Lisa Gades & Kevin Beyer

Offering *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*, Thomas A. Dorsey, arranged by Jack Schrader

For All Ages “Sing,” Joe Raposo, Tom Lichtenheld presented by Tom Lichtenheld

Children & facilitators leave for Summer Youth Hangtime.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Musical Response # 352 “Find a Stillness”

UU Hymn Sing led by Cynthia Spiegel

***Unison Closing** # 708 (Isiah 55)

***Sending Our Light into the World**

***Benediction**

Please be seated for our Postlude

Postlude # 1028 “The Fire of Commitment”

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

Announcements

August Beyond Our Walls: Northern Illinois Food Bank The NIFB provides nutritious meals to those in need through innovative programs and partnerships. They distributed 66 million meals last year! Northern Illinois Food Bank has received Charity Navigator’s 4-Star rating since 2003 for its fiscal responsibility. Ninety-seven percent of the Food Bank’s resources go to programs that feed the hungry. The Food Bank can stretch every \$1 donated into \$8 worth of groceries! During the August collections, be sure to write BOW in the memo line if you would like your donation to help support the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

For All Ages “Sing” by Joe Raposo, story in pictures by Tom Lichtenheld. A song made popular by *Sesame Street*, interpreted into a picture book about a bird who struggles to find its voice. You know the tune, so please sing along!

The Search Team has had several productive meetings, and our congregational survey is being finalized. This survey is the first major step in the process to find our next settled minister. We need everyone’s help! The survey will tell us what the congregation is looking for in a minister, and it will also give our ministerial candidates an accurate picture of life here at UUSG. The survey will be available to take either in paper format or online. The survey will be available in mid-August. Keep your eyes and ears open; the time is near!

Annual Homecoming Picnic! Join UUSG members and friends as we celebrate our 13th Annual UUSG Picnic, Sunday, September 8, 1-4pm, at Wheeler Park Pavilion. Fried chicken is provided. Sign up in the Common Room or at uusg.org/picnic. The deadline to RSVP is September 4. Questions? Contact Jamie Carroll at picnic@uusg.org.

Flag of the Month Our flag this month flying on Pioneer House is the Illinois State flag.

July BOW total: We raised \$557.50 for GirlForward! Thank you for your generous giving.

Missional Leadership Retreat UUSG Board President Brian Doyle invites all board, committee, and ministry team members to a “missional” leadership retreat, to take place on Saturday, August 24, from 9am to 12pm in the Common Room. The focus of this gathering will be on those ministries that directly advance our mission to “provide religious education, opportunities for spiritual growth, and work to be ... a force for compassionate social justice.” Please RSVP by August 18 at uusg.org/retreat. Questions? Email boardpresident@uusg.org.

Green Sanctuary News It is “First Sunday - Styrofoam Sunday.” The collection box is on the porch out front. It is also the new meeting date for Green Sanctuary after social hour in the Alcott Room. The meetings are open and everyone is invited to attend. And mark your calendar for Sept. 20 - The Student Climate Strike. See the weekly newsletter.

The Sacred Story during worship on August 11, will be a Blessing of the Backpacks. As the new year begins for many in church and at school, join us for a chance to receive the best wishes of the community. Bring your bag, backpack, briefcase, suitcase, or other carry-all and receive both a blessing and a blessing tag that can travel with you. All are welcome to participate.

Help Wanted! UUSG is in search of reliable, loving nursery caregivers (min. age 18) to interact with our youngest UUs during church services. Attend one service and work the other or work both services and make the nursery coordinators REALLY happy. Questions? Contact Becky and Sean Hruby, Nursery Coordinators at nursery@uusg.org. Full details can be found at uusg.org/employment.

Kids Take a Stand Sarah Ruth Krohn's lemonade stand raised \$356 last Sunday! All proceeds were donated to Kids Take a Stand, which supports immigrant children in detention centers. Sarah Ruth, who was joined by her friends Ari & Noelle Heckman, would like to thank the UUSG congregation for allowing them to set up shop in front of the Sanctuary. Thank you Sarah Ruth, Ari, and Noelle for Promoting Practical Goodness in our world!