

Bring Water for Worship on September 8 As part of the Homecoming worship on Sept. 8, Patrick will be introducing the congregation to the Water Communion. All are invited to bring a small amount of water that represents your summer journey, however near or far. During worship we will add the water to a common bowl as part of reentering this beloved community for the year. See Revs. Patrick or Jennifer for questions.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, August 25

- 11:30 am Search Team: Focus Group
- 11:30 am Social Justice Team Meeting

Monday, August 26

- 9:00 am Pioneer Newsletter Deadline
- 6:30 pm LRE Fall Teacher Meeting

Tuesday, August 27

- 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting

Wednesday, August 28

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 am The Luncheonettes (off-site)

Thursday, August 29

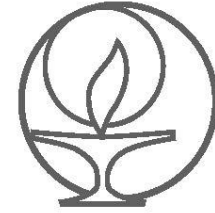
- 5:30 pm MAT Training for Physicians (off-site)

Friday, August 30

Saturday, August 31

Sunday, September 1

- 11:20 am Green Sanctuary Team Meeting
- 11:30 am Veteran's Meeting



August 25, 2019

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Summer Theme:
Unity & Diversity

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Patrick Price
Worship Associate: Melissa Auer
Greeters: Gail Rhonda Robinson & David de Coriolis,
Gail Tattersfield
Youth Hangtime Leaders: Debbie Leoni & Robert Savage
Musician: Sandra Anderson
Counters: Martha Tabis, Patricia Ward

Upcoming Services

Sunday, September 1: Rev. Jennifer Innis & Rev. Patrick Price
Sunday, September 8: Annual Homecoming Sunday

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringling of the Church Bell and Call to Worship

***Song of Community** # 1008 “When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place”

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Search Team Update

Congregational Greetings

Enter into Shared Silence at the sound of the Rin Gong

Prelude *The Village Church*, Norman Dello Joio

Chalice Lighting

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

***Antiphonal Reading** # 531 “The Oversoul”

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

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

Introduction to the Offering

Offering *Barcarole*, Felix Mendelssohn

Sacred Story “Answer Mountain,” Sarah E. Skwire

Children & facilitators leave for Summer Youth Hangtime.

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 *Praeludium I, BWV 846*, Bach

Reading from “Encountering God,” Diana Eck

***Hymn** # 23 “Bring Many Names”

Sermon “Unity and Diversity: Pluralism in UUism”

***Hymn** # 305 “De Colores”

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

***Sending Our Light into the World**

***Benediction**

Please be seated for our Postlude

Postlude *The Rain and the Rainbow*, Sergei Prokofiev

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

Announcements

The Congregational Survey has begun! Check your email for a message from UUSG and a survey invitation from Survey Monkey. If you have not received these emails, check your spam folder. If you still can’t find them, contact the Search Team at search@uusg.org. Completing the survey electronically makes it easier for the Search Team to process the data. If you prefer a hard copy, ask Christine or a member of the Search Team. You have until September 30, to complete the survey, but the sooner the better! The survey is completely anonymous, so please be as honest as you can. You can track our progress via the completion chalice flame in the Common Room. Our goal is 100% participation!

UUSG Annual Report The UUSG 2018-2019 is now available at uusg.org/annual-report. For hard copy requests, please email Christine at office@uusg.org.

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.

A Memorial Service for UUSG Member Jim O’Malley has been scheduled for Saturday, September 14, at 12pm. Please join us after the service for a reception in our Common Room. Donations of food are welcome, please sign up in the Common Room or at uusg.org/memorials.

UUSG Member Don Clements invites all to participate in the 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's taking place September 21, in St. Charles. Register at alzheimers-illinois.org/foxvalleywalk. A team has been set up for UUSG.

Luncheonettes! We aren’t exactly “Ladies who Lunch,” but we do come together to share ideas and enjoy our feeling of community. Please join us this month, Wednesday, August 28, 11:30-1:00; Andres, Batavia. RSVP at uusg.org/luncheonettes. Questions? Contact Rhonda at rhondasuerobinson@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars! Women's Circle Begins September 28! Hello UUSG women! We are looking forward to another wonderful season of programs and sharing through the UUSG Women’s Circle and wanted to let you know early so you are aware of the dates: Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 16, Feb. 22, Mar. 28, and April 25. Some of the programs we’re planning include *Dreaming as a Spiritual Experience*, *Equilibrium and Finding Your Balance*, and *Women’s Wisdom: Maiden, Mother, Crone*. Look for more news in August and join us in September!

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.

Save the Date! Green Sanctuary’s annual Harvest Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, October 26, at 6pm. Our special guest is Robin Migalla speaking on Recycling.

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.