

Developing Behavioral Covenants in Congregations Conflict Resolution Workshop, hosted by The First Unitarian Church of Chicago in collaboration with the MidAmerica Region. Saturday, October 5, 9am to 4pm. Each of our congregations has its own particular culture, yet in every one of them, we draw lines, somewhere, about what behavior is appropriate, and what is not. It varies, congregation by congregation. What's acceptable in one place is not in another, and often this isn't written down, so that no one really knows what the boundaries and limits are. Some people love to push every boundary; others wish that the boundaries were stronger and more fixed. Regardless, an essential in any community, religious or otherwise, is to know what behavior is appropriate, and how the community will deal with behavior that is not. These topics and more will be discussed. View details and register at eventbrite.com/e/behavioral-covenant-workshop-in-chicago-registration-72104349049

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Today & This Week at UUSG

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Sunday, September 22

- 9:30 am Welcoming Congregation Committee Meeting
- 10:30am Veterans' Service Planning Meeting
- 12:30 pm News from Kenya: JAMS update
- 12:45 pm Search Team: Focus Group

Monday, September 23

- 9:00 am Pioneer Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, September 24

- 8:30 am Geneva History Museum Bell Ringing
- 7:00 pm Search Team: Focus Group (off-site)

Wednesday, September 25

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 pm The Luncheonettes (off-site)
- 6:30 pm Soup Kitchen Group (off-site)

Thursday, September 26

- 10:30 am Soup Kitchen Group (off-site)
- 6:00 pm Youth Outlook
- 6:30 pm Personnel Committee Meeting

Friday, September 27

- 11:30 am The Geezers Group (off-site)
- 7:00 pm Friday Flicks

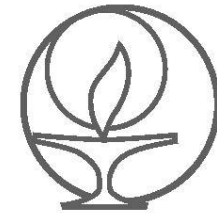
Saturday, September 28

- 9:00 am Facilities Work Day
- 1:00 pm Women's Circle

Sunday, September 29

- 1:00 pm Beyond Categorical Thinking

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September 22, 2019

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

September Theme: *Vision*

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Jennifer Innis
Worship Associates: Gail Tattersfield, Diane Gallentine
Greeters: Louise Haslett, Patricia Ward, Sherry Wilson, Larry Escalona
Musicians: Sandra Anderson, Cynthia Spiegel
Social Hour Hosts: The Social Justice Team
Counters: Judy Medina, Jamie Carroll

Upcoming Services

September 29: Guest-in-the-Pulpit: Amanda Schuber
October 6: 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** “Where You Go (I Will Go)” (see insert)

Words of Welcome

Community Announcements

Search Team Update

Congregational Greetings

Enter into Shared Silence at the sound of the Rin Gong

Prelude *Prelude in D*, Johann Sebastian Bach

Chalice Lighting

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

***Antiphonal Reading** # 649 “From Generation to Generation”

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

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

Introduction to the Offering

Offering *Serenade*, Aleksander Tansman

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 *Traumerei*, Robert Schumann

Reading

***Hymn** # 358 “Rank by Rank Again We Stand”

Sermon “What We Dream Be Ours to Do”

***Hymn** # 1017 “Building a New Way”

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

***Sending Our Light into the World**

*Benediction

Please be seated for our Postlude

Postlude *Vivace*, Stephen Heller

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

Announcements

The Search Team will be hosting focus groups throughout September and October to gain further insight on your vision for UUSG and our future settled minister. This is a great opportunity to have a group conversation about who we are and what we’re looking for in a new minister. Your feedback will provide the Search Team additional, and richer, information to include in the Congregational Record.

Focus groups will meet both at the church on Sunday afternoons as well as selected weekday evenings at UUSG member homes. Please see the sign-up sheets posted in the Common Room for **September and October** dates, or sign up online at uusg.org/focus-groups. Thank you for your time and insight as we seek our next settled minister. Your input is vital to our search! Questions? Email us at search@uusg.org. Stay up-to-date with all Settled Minister Search information at uusg.org/minister-search.

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. To donate, make checks to “UUSG” with “BOW” in the memo line.

Today! 12:30pm: Updates from JAMS plus Lions and Leopards and Rhinos, Oh My! Light lunch provided in the Common Room. Jean Pierce will share stories from her trip to Africa this summer, including her visits with faculty and students at Jane Adeny Memorial School, as well as highlights from her photo safari through Kenya and Tanzania.

UUSG choir rehearsals start on Wednesday evening, October 2. If you enjoy singing, come see what the fun is about! We sing approximately five Sundays a year, and you need not commit to all of them. We’re a friendly group and would love more voices! More information and schedule is at uusg.org/choir, or contact Cynthia Spiegel at choir@uusg.org.

Our Soup Kitchen Group is looking for volunteers for Thursday daytime, **September 26**. Serve food for the needy in St. Charles and Aurora with teams from two other churches. More info at uusg.org/soup-kitchen or martha.tabis@gmail.com.

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.

Reconnect and Renew: Sharing our spiritual experiences. UUSG Women’s Circle invites all UUSG members and friends who identify as female to join us for our first session of the year, Saturday, **September 28**, 1-4 pm. “Reconnect and Renew” is an opportunity for us all to gather (again) and share our connections with each other. Our goal for this session is to reconnect our friendships, refocus our spirits and recharge our energies as we embark on this new church year. Please RSVP at uusg.org/womens-circle so we know you are planning to attend.

Friday Flicks - The Superfood Chain Every year, the western world is introduced to a new “superfood” that boasts extraordinary nutritional features, and year after year we buy them. “The Superfood Chain” explores the facts and myths behind superfoods, and reveals the ripple effect of the superfood industry on farming and fishing families in Bolivia, Ethiopia, Philippines, and Haida Gwaii. Join us in the Common Room on **Friday, September 27, at 7pm.**

New UUs 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? Would you like a free lunch? The UUSG Welcoming Team invites interested newcomers to attend our next New UUs session on Sunday, October 27. Gather in the Common Room right after worship service. We'll kick things off around 12:30 with a light lunch. RSVP at UUSG.org/new-uus. Childcare is available for children ages 6 and under by request. A minimum of two weeks’ notice (October 11) is needed to find available caregivers. Questions? Please stop by the Welcome Center in the Common Room. For further information, please contact Jim Frazier or Deb Brod at welcoming@uusg.org.