

Social Justice Calendar:

Oct. 28, 9-10am Sign up to deliver 65 bottles of water, cookies, or snack bars to the Soup Kitchen
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4cafa628a31-trinity>

Nov. 5, any time Sign up to deliver 20 sack lunches to Lazarus House

Nov. 6, 6-7pm Sign up to deliver a casserole and salad for 12 to Lazarus House
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4cafa628a31-lazarus>

Can't find something? Need a little more information?

Check out our website at uusg.org and our calendar at uusg.org/calendar.

Do you want to make donations via Tithely? Check out the Tithely QR Code.



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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, October 17** **Worship Service 9am & 11am**
- 10:00 am Religious Education Classes K-12
- Monday, October 18**
- 3:00 pm Steeple Walk Meeting
 - 7:00 pm Sacred Texts Study Group (online)
- Tuesday, October 19**
- 7:00 pm [Board of Directors](#) (link in Calendar)
 - 7:00 pm The Inclusion Book Club (online)
 - 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Wednesday, October 20**
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
 - 12:00 pm Re-Opening Meeting (online)
 - 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
 - 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
 - 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group (online)
 - 7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting
- Thursday, October 21**
- 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle (online)
- Friday, October 22**
- 4:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal
- Saturday, October 23**
- 11:30 am Wedding
- Sunday, October 24** **Worship Service 9am & 11am**
- 10:00 am Religious Education Classes K-12
 - 10:00 am Board Chat

Welcome to This House!



October 17, 2021

**Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva**

October Theme: Relationship

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Nancy Christensen

YRUU Rep: Jack Pokorny

Musicians: Angela Salvaggione & Cynthia Spiegel

RE: Amanda Slaiher & Christine Herring, Kerry Sapet & Ro Maziarz, Kim McDuffee & Rachel Harbold, Ashley Peterson & Jennifer Klein; Brian Doyle, Julia Friesen, Vera Lind

Sunday Coordinator: Brian Doyle

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll, Cari Gesiakowski, Rose Doreen Mace

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, October 24: Rev. Scot Hull, "Wanna See Something Really Scary?"
(outside service, dress appropriately)

Sunday, October 31: Rev. Scot Hull, "The Speakers for the Dead"

Order of Worship

Prelude

Ring the bell

Call to Worship

Introit "Materia Primoris" (theme from X-files), Mark Snow

Welcoming Words

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant (written in 1842)

Being desirous of promoting practical goodness in the world,
And of aiding each other in our moral and religious
improvement,

We have associated ourselves together -

Not as agreeing in opinion,

Not as having attained universal truth in belief

Or perfection in character -

But as seekers after truth and goodness.

Doxology

Passing the Peace

Joys and Sorrows

Hymn #123 "Spirit of Life"

First Reading

Hymn # 302 "Children of the Human Race"

Second Reading

Responsive "Enceladus, Shining Sol, Weightless," Jason Sifford

Sermon "The Truth is Out There"

Offertory "The Sea of Tranquility," Jason Sifford

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

Postlude "Spacetime, Jupiter's Eye," Jason Sifford

Announcements

BOW for October: Humanitarian Service Project HSP's Senior Citizen Project helps to ensure that basic needs are met for low-income seniors. If UUSG can sponsor a Day of Service in spring, this month's BOW will be used to purchase hygiene products for gift bags given to seniors served by this program. If we cannot meet in person, the funds will be donated directly to HSP. Please give generously at <https://www.uusg.org/donate>

BOW Total for Lazarus House We raised \$1,880.50 in the month of September for Lazarus House. Thank you for your generous giving!

A&E Volunteers Needed Please give our unable-to-be-vaccinated youth in grades K-8 an hour of your time by assisting with Arts & Exploration (A&E). Please contact Becky Hruby at dre@uusg.org with any questions. You can sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/2d2zc86r>.

Photos for Veterans Service At the Veterans Service on Sunday, November 7, we will once again be displaying pictures of UUSG veterans and the family members of anyone in the congregation who were veterans, going back any number of generations. If you would like to have your pictures displayed, please send them with captions to Jeff Stibal (preferably electronically) at jstibal@gmail.com by October 31. Alternatively, if your family members have been displayed in past Veterans Services and you no longer wish this, please let Jeff know. Contact Aaron Fogleman at aaronfogleman@niu.edu if you have questions.

Meeting Date Change [The Board of Directors will be meeting on Tuesday, October 19, at 7pm via Zoom](#). Zoom link, meeting ID, and passcode are available on the calendar.

Sacred Texts Study Group Whether a text is new to you or not, scripture can be challenging. This class will try to unravel things, at least a bit. No experience necessary! Meetings are on the 3rd Mondays of the month at 7pm. The next meeting is **October 18**, on Zoom, and we're reading Genesis 4-11. More details available in the weekly email.

Kids (Young & Old) Come in Costume on October 31 and get a sweet Halloween treat!

Women's Circle: Reiki - The First Level of Practice Sat, Oct 30, 1-4pm at UUSG. Are you ready for Reiki? Have you wondered what Reiki is, how it works, and what it can do for you? Or, if you already have some knowledge of Reiki, and want to learn more, then join us when our Minister Emerita, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates, is bringing us a special "Intro to Reiki - The First Level of Practice." For more details and to sign up, visit uusg.org/womenscircle

The Inclusion Bookclub Join Lisa Gades and UUSG members and friends in a monthly exploration of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our meetings are on the third Tuesday of every month at 7pm; the next one is **October 19**. *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States*. The author, Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, presents a history of the United States from the perspective of Indigenous peoples, highlighting our nation's colonialist policy. Not the history you learned in school. Zoom info available in the calendar.

Vaccinated? In the spirit of optimism and hope in our community we are keeping a running tally of how many of our members and friends have received the COVID-19 vaccine. So far, we have **148** members vaccinated! Please let us know at admin.assistant@uusg.org.

Change-for-a-Change Jar Three nominees were presented to Religious Education children on October 3, and they voted for Cal's Angels, a local charity serving pediatric cancer patients. Cal's Angels has a 4-star Charity Navigator rating. Money collected in the Change for a Change jar at the rear of the sanctuary in the coming year will provide hospital parties and comfort kits for patients served by Cal's Angels.

The Hospitality Team could use a few members each week to help brew and setup our Coffee Hour. It's real simple and everyone loves coffee! (water is also provided) Set-up would begin at 9:30am for our 10am Coffee hour and then at 11am clean up. Please Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4cafa628a31-hosting>

Halloween Pets If anyone would like to send in photos of your pets in their Halloween costumes, we hope to use them in an October service. We'd rather have them in-person, but the carpet is new! Send them soon to admin.assistant@uusg.org.