

Social Justice Calendar:

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>

Chicago Area UU Council Fall Conference: Gathering and Strengthening Our UU Communities.

Saturday, Nov. 13, 9:30am-Noon via Zoom. Keynote presentation on navigating grief by Elizabeth Harding followed by a panel discussion.

Free to attend, more details and registration at

<https://uuchicagoarea.org/conference>.

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>

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Today & This Week at UUSG

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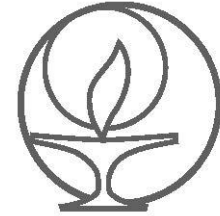
- Sunday, October 31** **Worship Service 9am & 11am**
- 10:00 am Religious Education Classes K-12
 - 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group (online)
- Monday, November 1**
- 7:30 pm Technology Team Meeting (online)
- Tuesday, November 2**
- 7:00 pm Council Meeting (online)
 - 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Wednesday, November 3**
- 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 Buddhism Meditation & Study Group (online)
- Thursday, November 4**
- Friday, November 5**
- Saturday, November 6**
- 7:00 pm Veterans Service Rehearsal
- Sunday, November 7** **Worship Service 9am & 11am**
- 9:00 am Styrofoam Sunday
 - 10:00 am Religious Education Classes K-12
 - 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group (online)

Need a little more information? Check out our website at uusg.org and our calendar at uusg.org/calendar.

Donate via Tithely with the QR code below:



Welcome to This House!



October 31, 2021

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

October Theme: Relationship

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associates: Cameron Klein, Molly MacKay Zacker, Gail Tattersfield

Musicians: Tom Zimmerman, Katie Baar, Lynn Fisher McCanne, Linda O'Neill, Cynthia Spiegel

RE: K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Katie Yurkewicz, 3-5: Ro Maziarz, Kerry Sapet, 6-8: Jenny Montgomery, Vickie Kilgore, 9-12: Jennifer Klein, Jaime Andersen

A&E: Kim McDuffee, Steve Lougheed, Becky Hruby

Sunday Coordinator: Becky Hruby

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

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, November 7: Annual Veterans Service

Sunday, November 14: Rev. Scot Hull, "Paging Captain America"

Order of Worship

Prelude “Nightbook,” Ludovico Einaudi

Ring the Bell

Call to Worship

Introit “Journey to the Underworld,” Philip Glass

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 # 324 “Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads”

Second Reading

Responsive “Prelude pour la main gauche” (for the left hand), Federico Mompou

Sermon “The Speakers for the Dead: Spiritualism, Universalism, and *The Other Side of Salvation*”

Offertory

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

Postlude “Palmier d'étoiles” (Palm Tree of Stars), Federico Mompou

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>

At our Annual Veterans Service on November 7, Tracey McFadden will be remembering beloved UUSG Member, Al Drover, in a special presentation. Please join us in-person or online.

UUSG Circle Suppers 2022! The Board of Directors has decided to resume the Circle Supper Program. Circle Suppers involve revolving groupings of participants who take turns hosting or providing a part of the meal for each of four monthly suppers, which are held in January, February, March, & April. Details and sign up at uusg.org/circle-suppers. Contact Mary Swanson at circlesuppers@uusg.org with questions. Deadline to sign up is November 30.

Mark your calendar for our final One Book One UUSG.

We will meet Tuesday Nov. 16, at 7:00pm in the Common Room. This gathering will be a bit different from our previous meetings. We would like everyone to please bring one to three books (or have the titles and authors in mind) to share with our literacy group to promote quality reading as we move into the dark months of winter. Be ready to give a quick summary or enticing "commercial" to encourage the reading of your title. We plan to create a list of the recommendations for you. **Please RSVP to wow@uusg.org.**

Teenagers and adults from UUSG are being given an opportunity to correspond with a student enrolled in the Jane Adeny Memorial School in Kenya. Typically, letters are hand-delivered twice a year – in December and May. Please contact socialjusticeleader@uusg.org.

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 **November 15**, on Zoom. More details in the weekly email.

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 **November 16**. *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States*. Zoom info available in the calendar.

Women's Circle - Rise Up and Call Her Name Saturday, Nov. 13, 1-4pm in the Common Room. Guest Speakers Deann Alleman, Jean Pierce, and Pat Vary will share from our UUSG history of programs and experiences honoring women in global earth-based spiritualities with an emphasis on goddesses. They will share how these programs influenced WomenSpirit Rising at UUSG as well as district gatherings sponsored by Women and Religion for more than 15 years. Our speakers will show us some of the rituals and experiences that influenced their lives and spiritual growth. More details and sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle.

The 2020-2021 Annual Report is now available at uusg.org/annual-report. The report includes information about previous year's activities from our Ministry Teams, Board Committees, and staff; an End-of-Year 20-21 Financial Summary, the 2021 Annual Meeting Presentation Slides, and more!

The Steeple Walk is back in 2021! December 5, 2-4:30pm. Tickets are \$15 and are available November 7-14 through Gail Tattersfield or Chris Newman. Featured this year are a wind quartet, a steel pan ensemble, a soloist featuring Spanish guitar, and a string quartet.

Save the Date! UU Church of Bloomington Normal and UUSG are co-sponsoring a three-part series of Difficult Conversations: The art and science of working together. If you missed this workshop last year, now is your chance to attend! UUSG members and friends are invited to take part. Save the date for **January 27, February 1 & 3**, 6-8:30pm via Zoom. Registration and more information will be available in the upcoming weeks.