

A Long Strange Trip: 2,000 Years of Unitarian

Universalist History Join Rev. Scot on a unique exploration of UU history with the video series, "A Long Strange Trip."

There are two tracks: in-person Sundays at 2pm or online Mondays at 6:30pm, six sessions per track. Sessions include a video presentation followed by a group discussion. Each session stands alone — attend what you can, or mix-and-match as needed! Details are online and in the weekly email. RSVP not required but is appreciated: office@uusg.org.

Monday Movie: Identifying Mis- and Dis-Information in the Media. April's Monday Movie will feature a recording of a recent presentation by Peter Adams the News Literacy Project's Senior Vice President of Education. In an engaging talk, he presents insight into ways in which people manipulate the truth in social media. Adams' examples include claims of voting fraud, "news" about the war in Ukraine, concerns about the pandemic, etc. April 25 7pm via Zoom.

Social Justice Calendar

April 16, 9-12: Sign up to pack food at Northern Illinois Food Bank (link in email)

May 6: Provide 20 sack lunches for Lazarus House

May 7: Provide a casserole and salad for 12 for Lazarus House (link in email)

Thanks! The Social Justice team appreciates the following volunteers who prepared food for Lazarus House this month: Katie Baar, Sherri Casterline, Jan Miller, Barbara Ovesen, Page Poris, Terry Shouba, Gail Tatterfield

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, April 10

- 10:00 am RE Classes K-12
- 12:00 pm Third St. Lease Opportunity
- 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
- 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program
- 2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History

Monday, April 11

- 11:00 am Finance Team Meeting -online
- 7:00 pm Sacred Text Study Group -online

Tuesday, April 12

- 12:00 pm BYO Lunch with Rev. Scot -online
- 7:00 pm Board Meeting -online

Wednesday, April 13

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Reopening Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm DEI Meeting -online

Thursday, April 14

- 11:00 am The Great Courses Series -online

Friday, April 15

- 7:00 pm RUUU? Camping at Leroy Oaks

Saturday, April 16

- 9:00 am RUUU? Camping
Northern IL Food Bank

Sunday, April 17

- 10:00 am RE Classes K-12
- 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
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Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

April 10, 2022

Soul Matters Theme: Awakening

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associates: Melissa Auer, Diane Gallentine

Musicians: Lynn Fisher McCanne, Dave Hanchette, Tracey McFadden, Andy, Ellie & Max Montgomery; Cynthia Spiegel, John Rosenkrans

RE: K-2 Amanda Slaiher, Aaron Miller

3-5 Kerry Sapet, Dave Duckworth

6-8 Vickie Kilgore, Kim McDuffee

YRUU Jaime Andersen, Jennifer Klein

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

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, April 17: Rev. Scot Hull, Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 24: Rev. Scot with Special Guest, Bhante Sujatha

Order of Worship

Prelude

Bell Ringing

Call to Worship

Introit “Heart’s Content,” Brandi Carlile

Welcoming Words

Hymn #1064 “Blue Boat Home”

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant (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

Testimonial Jennifer Klein

Passing the Peace

Reading

Testimonial Jessica Littlefield

Beyond Our Walls Jean Pierce

Offertory “What the World Needs Now,” Hal David, Burt Bacharach

Sermon “Where is Everybody?”

Hymn #1028 “Fire of Commitment”

Chalice Extinguishing

Sending Music “We Did it Together,” revised by Tracey & Kathy McFadden, Linda & Kevin O’Neill, from “Work Together” Wilbert Harrison

Benediction

Announcements

We cordially invite you to attend a congregation meeting **today** at noon (for clarification, this is NOT our annual meeting) to discuss an exciting proposal to utilize our Third Street property. We are planning to gather at noon in the Common Room to enjoy a light lunch – sandwiches and light snacks, then moving into the Sanctuary around 12:45-1pm for the meeting. Our UUSG team will make a short presentation, followed by the Friends of the Viking Ship, concluding with a Q&A period. We are hoping that you will join us to learn more about the future possibilities for our property on 3rd Street.

Rebuilding Together needs your help! UUSG needs 10 volunteers to work with a team of professionals doing home improvements at an Aurora residence. No experience needed. Ages 14+. Rebuilding takes place Saturday, April 30, from 8-4. For more information, contact dre@uusg.org. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/28mnjun5>. Date: Saturday, April 30, Time: 8:00am-4pm.

Make a joyful noise! Join the new UUSG intergenerational band. If you’re an adult or child, play an instrument, sing, or love to enthusiastically clap, this is the group for you. Performance: May 22, RE Volunteer Picnic, 12:30 PM at UUSG. Contact Michael Mackey mgmjnb@gmail.com for additional information.

Connections Club May 1! Are you new to UUSG or just looking to connect or dig in? **Join us May 1!** Connections Club meets once a month at the church and on Zoom to learn more about UUSG and for us to learn more about you. All are welcome to join in and get acquainted with each other. We will meet at 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

April BOW: Fox River Valley Initiative UUSG collaborates with other churches and non-profits in Kane County through the Fox River Valley Initiative. Working together, we are making a difference in:

- Availability of Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs) quickly offering treatment rather than incarceration for people experiencing mental illness and/or addiction
- Affordable and accessible housing for individuals, families, and young adults
- Advocating for the production and purchase of safe guns for use by law enforcement.

Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative A global initiative to phase-out fossil fuels faster, fairly and forever. This will be a ballot item at our UUSG Annual Meeting in May. We will have a short presentation between services on Easter Sunday in the Sanctuary. We will have a chance to speak up, let’s use our voice. <https://campaign.fossilfuel treaty.org/faq>

Donating directly to the UU Service Committee’s Ukrainian Relief Fund UUSG members and Friends are invited to continue contributing to Ukrainian relief through the UU Service Committee’s Emergency Response Fund. email: bit.ly/3Jvi4wo or send a check to Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Emergency Response Fund, 689 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139

Change for a Change Jar: Collecting for Cal’s Angels

The Change for a Change Jar was created for members and friends of UUSG to make a difference by contributing loose change to a worthy cause. This year, the Religious Education children voted that the money should go to ‘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 front of the sanctuary will provide hospital parties and comfort kits for patients served by Cal’s Angels.

The Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam,

Thursdays at 11am on Zoom. Join Rev. Scot online as we tour selected offerings from The Great Courses and explore Big Ideas from the leading professors in their fields for an hour, followed by a BYO lunch & discussion. Details online and in the weekly email. RSVP requested but not required: office@uusg.org. Zoom link in the email.

The Inclusion Book Club On April 19, and May 17, we will discuss *A Disability History of the United States* by Kim E. Nielsen. The author casts new light on American history by sharing the experiences of people with disabilities and considering the role of ableism in shaping our democracy.

Teen Coming of Age Program Starts April 15 The RE Steering Committee is thrilled to announce the launch of ‘RUUU?,’ an exploration of spiritual identity for teens. Kicking off Friday, April 15, with an overnight camp-out, this series of interactive workshops will take place for five Sundays, April 24–May 22. Current YRUU participants are invited to register by emailing dre@uusg.org.