

Social Justice Calendar

May 9: 7pm Candidate Forum, Kane County Board Members

May 11: 7pm Candidate Forum, Congressional District 11

May 14: 9am-12pm Pack food at the Northern Illinois Food Bank (ages 8 and up). Sign up at uusg.org/food-bank.

May 17: 7pm Candidate Forum, Judges

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 will be Saturday, April 30, 8-4. For more information, contact dre@uusg.org. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/28mnjun5>. Date: Saturday, April 30, Time: 8:00am-4pm.

Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative A global initiative to phase-out fossil fuels faster, fairly and forever. At our Annual Meeting on May 15th we will have the opportunity to vote in favor of endorsing the initiative as a congregation. Learn more at <https://campaign.fossilfuel treaty.org/faq>.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, April 24

- 10:00 am RE Classes K-12
- 11:00 am RUUU? Program Begins Today!
- 12:00 pm Joyful Noise Band Rehearsal
- 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
- 12:30 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
- 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program
- 2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History

Monday, April 25

- 11:30 am Pioneer Newsletter Deadline
- 6:30 pm Women's Circle Planning Meeting
- 7:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History -online
- 7:00 pm Monday Movie -online

Tuesday, April 26

- 9:00 am Geneva History Museum Bell Ringing
- 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting -online

Wednesday, April 27

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Reopening Meeting

Thursday, April 28

- 11:00 am The Great Courses Series -online
- 1:00 pm Memoir Writing Group -online

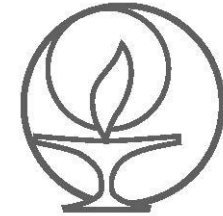
Friday, April 29

Saturday, April 30

Sunday, May 1

- 9:00 am Worship Service 9am & 11am
- 9:00 am Styrofoam Sunday
- 10:00 am RE Classes K-12
- 11:00 am RUUU? Program
- 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
- 12:30 pm Connections Club
- 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program
- 2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

April 24, 2022

April Theme: Awakening

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull & Guest Speaker: the Venerable Bhante Sujatha

Worship Associates: Cindy Duckworth, Kathy McFadden

Musicians: Tom Zimmerman & Cynthia Spiegel

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

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, May 1: Rev. Scot Hull, Bonfires and Ribbons

Sunday, May 8: Rev. Scot Hull, Mother's Day

Order of Worship

Prelude

Ring the Bell

Welcoming Words

Introit Prelude no. 23, Chopin

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

Hymn Love, Love, Love, traditional chant
Love, love, love, love
People we are made for love.
Love each other as yourself,
For we are one.

Passing the Peace

Joys & Sorrows / Candles of Remembrance

Hymn #123 "Spirit of Life"

Offertory / Responsive "Still," Ola Gjeilo

Meditation / Sermon "How to Empower Your Mind; an Ancient Wisdom Practice"

Hymn #1031 "May I Be Filled with Loving Kindness"

Chalice Extinguishing

Sending Music "Variation no. 11 on a Theme by Chopin," Federico Mompou

Benediction

Announcements

Annual Congregational Meeting. This year's Annual Meeting will be held on **Sunday, May 15, at 12:30pm** in the Sanctuary and online via Zoom. All members and friends are encouraged to attend. View the slate of candidates and RSVP at uusg.org/annual-meeting.

In March we raised \$3,102.54 for the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's Emergency Response Fund for Ukraine. Thank you for your generous giving!

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? 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. We will meet at 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

Teen Coming of Age Program The RE Steering Committee is thrilled to announce the launch of 'RUUU?', an exploration of spiritual identity for teens. This series of interactive workshops will take place for five Sundays, **Today through May 22.** Current YRUU participants invited to register: dre@uusg.org.

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.

Save the Date: The UUSG Auction will be November 5, 2022!

The Inclusion Book Club On 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. On June 21, in honor of Pride Month, we will begin discussing *The Stars and the Blackness Between Them* by Junauda Petrus. Additional links in the weekly email.

Monday Movie April 25, at 7pm: 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.

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.

Change for a Change Jar: Collecting for Cal's Angels
This year, the money will go to 'Cal's Angels,' a local charity serving pediatric cancer patients with 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.

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.