

Memorial Stones Remember a loved one with a carved stone in our Memorial Garden, please email or drop off a completed order form (tinyurl.com/ko46op8) to Christine at office@uusg.org, by April 16. The Memorial Garden Dedication Service will be held May 28, following our Worship Service.

Buddhist Meditation, Sundays, 6-7 PM Monks from the Blue Lotus Buddhist Temple lead visitors and guests through an hour of meditation and spiritual discussion. All levels of experience are welcome! No cost; donations appreciated.

It's Just Lunch! Please join UUSG women members and friends for lunch, fellowship, and conversation in The Common Room at 11:30am on April 19, (a week early due to garage sale!). Bring your own lunch, beverage, and a dessert to share if you would like. We look forward to having you join in and enjoy each other's company! Please sign up at uusg.org/lunch.

Food Ministry

May 6 Provide Lazarus House Meals: 20 sack lunches OR dinner casserole and salad for 12. Sign-up at uusg.org/lazarus-house.

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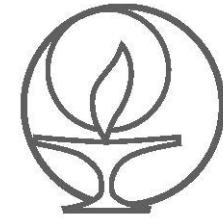
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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, April 9**
- 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM
Congregational Social Justice Sunday
 - 11:30 AM Second Sunday Sack Lunch
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
- Monday, April 10**
- 1:00 PM Finance Team Meeting (online)
 - 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
 - 2:00 PM Worship Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Sacred Text Study Group (online)
- Tuesday, April 11**
- 7:00 PM Board of Directors (in-person & online)
- Wednesday, April 12**
- 11:00 AM California Pizza Kitchen Fundraiser
 - 7:00 PM DEI Team Meeting (online)
- Thursday, April 13**
- 7:00 PM Pub Theology (off-site)
- Friday, April 14**
- 6:30 PM Game Night
- Saturday, April 15**
- Sunday, April 16**
- 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM
Religious Education
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

April 9, 2023

Soul Matters Theme: Resistance

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Kathy McFadden

Musicians: Val Heinkel-Bollero, piano; Lara Ward, French horn; UUSG Choir, led by Cynthia Spiegel. Choir: Tom Zimmerman, Tom Haslett, Mark Adams, John Rosenkrans, Mike Bollero, Roger Gallentine, Ashley Peterson, Lynn Fisher, Mike Canne, Teal Cyko, Pat Vary, Katie Baar, Colleen Cushing, Linda O'Neill, Emily Clark, Rhonda Robinson, Kelly Herz, Rachel Harbold, Carol Farugia

Technical Team: Jeff Stibal, Director; Cari Gesiakowski, Jamie Carroll, Doreen Rose Mace, Scott Dotson, Gina Grupe-Stibal, Caroline Pickett, Ashley Peterson

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, April 16: Rev. Scot Hull, featuring Ellie Montgomery

Sunday, April 23: Rev. Scot Hull, Earth Day

Many Paths • One Church

Order of Worship

Prelude “Cristifori’s Dream,” David Lan

Welcome

Introit “Jubilate Deo,” Michael Praetorius

Testimonial Harper Littlefield

Opening Hymn #61 “Lo, the Earth Awakes Again”

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant

Doxology

Passing the Peace

Testimonial Andy Montgomery

For All Ages “Pete the Cat and Easter Basket Bandit,” Kimberly and James Dean

An Easter Reflection The Story So Far

Offertory “Rondo from Horn Quintet, K. 407,” W. A. Mozart, arr. Mason Jones

Reading Gospel of Matthew 5:1-12 of the NRSVue

Responsive “Alleluia,” W. A. Mozart, arr. John Leavitt

Homily Holy Inversions, a Reflection on the Beatitudes

Closing Hymn #270 “O Day of Light and Gladness”

Chalice Extinguishing

Sending Music “The Storm Is Passing Over,” Charles Tingley, arr. Barbara W. Baker

Benediction

Announcements

Today! Second Sunday Sack Lunch Don't forget our new initiative to build community. Bring a sack lunch and stay after the service for half an hour to hang with your friends for great discussion. Today's topic for discussion will be the UUA's Article II Proposal. See you there!

Game Night! Friday, April 14, 6:30-8:30 in the Common Room. Ready for some light-hearted fun? This month we will be playing SWAP which is a card game developed by the makers of UNO. It is very easy to learn and tons of fun! All ages welcome, BYOB/Snacks of choice.

The Inclusion Book Club Our next book will be “The End of Bias: A Beginning,” by Jessica Nordell. Jessica is a science journalist who delves into the science and psychology of unintentional bias and discrimination, examining what strategies work to address these issues. We'll begin discussing the book on April 25 and conclude on May 23, 7:00pm on Zoom. More detail in the weekly email.

Women's Circle "A Road to Ina Makha (Mother Earth)" with guest Mary Dorrell. Join us on **April 22, 1-4pm** for an experiential discussion of one person's journey in Lakota traditional ceremonies. Although not native, Mary had the honor of joining in the old observances for many years. More details and sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle.

Eating and Supporting UUSG: Two activities that we do well! Join us for our first destination fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen in Geneva Commons. On **Wed. April 12, 11am-9pm**, a percentage of all sales will come back to UUSG! Flyers available in the Common Room & Weekly Email.

Oneness Drum Circle Sunday, May 7, 2-4pm in the Sanctuary. Each month we will be honoring a different type of musical rhythmic exploration as we come together playing various instruments in joyful celebration. May's rhythmic exploration theme is Sea Shanties. Our drum circle is designed for ALL ages and we bring plenty of instruments to share for those who are curious to try something new. More details in Weekly Email.

Pub Theology, April 13, at 7 PM, NEW location! Penrose Brewing. Join Rev. Scot and Pastor Stephanie of Fox Valley Presbyterian Church for a cross-denominational Pub Theology group! uusg.org/pub-theology

“We Don’t Have A Garage” Sale - April 27-29! Here's what you can do to help: 1. Start sorting and putting aside those items that you would like to donate. 2. Collect grocery bags for use during checkout 3. Contact Molly & Jenny about pickups for large items. 4. Sign up to help at the sale at uusg.org/garage-sale. Many additional details in the Weekly Email! Questions? Contact jenny@andymontgomery.com or molly.zacker@mackayco.com.

UUSG Art Wall Resumes! Share your artistic talents with us by signing up for an exhibition slot for our UUSG Art Wall in the Common Room. Photography, paintings, drawings, textiles, mixed media--we'd love to see it! Send an email to Christine at office@uusg.org if you're interested or would like to learn more.

The Period Collective Hygiene products and handmade drawstring bags for our donation to the Period Collective continue through April 23. Monetary donations can be made via cash, checks, and Tithely. Please make checks out to "UUSG" and write "Period Collective" in the memo line; select "Period Collective" in the Tithely dropdown menu; note "Period Collective" for cash on the offering envelope.

April Beyond Our Walls The April BOW is the UUSG “Make a Difference” (MAD) fund. The fund was established in 1996 to respond to requests from church members and friends for practical, short-term, one-time emergency financial assistance. We have been able to help many members since then. Thank you for your generous giving!

Friday Flick – American Factory Join us on April 21 at 7pm in the Common Room for this Oscar winning documentary. *American Factory* tells the stories of workers affected when a General Motors Plant closed and was replaced by a non-union Chinese automotive glass plant.