

Lean on UUs is an initiative by our WOW Team which consists of a list of home health care equipment owned by congregants that is available for temporary loan (wheelchairs, knee scooters, shower benches, etc) If you are in need of such equipment you may contact wow@uusg.org and we will see if we have the equipment you need.

Buddhist Meditation and Dharma Talk, in person, every Sunday at 6pm. Teachers from the Blue Lotus Buddhist Temple will lead us through an hour of meditation and spiritual discussion in our Common Room. All levels of experience are welcome! No cost; donations appreciated. Drop-ins are expected and welcome.

Adopt-a-Plot Have a green thumb? Find caring for outdoor landscaping relaxing? Like to garden? Adopt-a-Plot Weeding Ministry is looking for volunteers to help maintain one of the nine plots on our church property. If interested, contact Karen Laukaitis at weeding@uusg.org.

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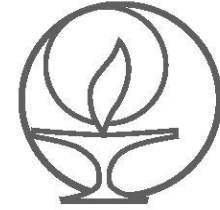


Today & This Week at UUSG

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- Sunday, May 5**
 - 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Styrofoam Sunday
 - 10:00 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 11:30 AM Green Sanctuary Meeting
 - 11:30 AM OWL Meet Up
 - 2:00 PM Sacred Sounds Drum Circle
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
- Monday, May 6**
 - 11:00 AM FEMA Contractor Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Technology Team Meeting
- Tuesday, May 7**
 - 9:00 AM Worship Team Meeting
 - 9:15 AM Geneva History Museum Bell Ringing
 - 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 - 11:00 AM FEMA Contractor Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Council Meeting *online*
- Wednesday, May 8**
 - 11:00 AM FEMA Contractor Meeting
 - 11:00 AM Simply Sharing Circle
 - 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, May 9**
 - 7:00 PM Sacred Texts Study Group
- Friday, May 10**
- Saturday, May 11**
- Sunday, May 12**
 - 6:00 PM Worship Service 10:00 AM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Welcome to This House!



**Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva**

May 5, 2024

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Pat Vary

Musicians: Valerie Heinkel-Bollero, Cynthia Spiegel

RE K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Kimberly Harrison

3-5: Vickie Kilgore, Gary Littlefield

6-8: Jenny Montgomery, Kerry Sapet

9-12: Jaime Andersen, Barbara Ovesen

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

Upcoming Services

May 12: Rev. Scot Hull, New Member Recognition & Flower Communion

May 19: RE Moving-Up Sunday & Annual Meeting

Order of Worship

Ring the Bell

Opening Hymn #42 "Morning, So Fair to See"

Welcoming Words

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant

Doxology

Story for All Ages "What We'll Build," Oliver Jeffers presented by Melissa Auer

Children and adult leaders leave for religious education. New families are always welcome to join them.

Passing the Peace

Joys and Sorrows

Candles of Remembrance

Hymn of Comfort #1015 "I Know I Can" verses 1, 2, & 4

Testimonial Immigration Rally Results

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory "No Matter What," Andrew Lloyd Webber

Antiphonal Reading

Responsive Music "I Heard a Forest Praying," Peter DeRose

Sermon "Childhood's End"

Closing Hymn #143 "Not In Vain the Distance Beacons"

Chalice Extinguishing

Sending Music "People," Jules Styne

Announcements

Sacred Sounds Meditative Drum Circle, Today, 2-4pm

This Drum Circle, led by Gina Grupe-Stibal, is uniquely designed for all ages to participate in creating rhythmic flows of music (vibrational energy) coming together as ONE. Be prepared to have fun and move around (no music experience required).

The Green Sanctuary team will meet today in the Hawthorne Room at 11:30 am.

Fermi Community Orchestra Concert Tonight, at 7pm,

Batavia United Methodist Church. Six of our UUSG congregants play in the Fermi Orchestra—All are invited to attend this free and family friendly event featuring music inspired by literary works and fairytales.

Chalice House, a shared project led by Countryside Church UU in Palatine, provides temporary housing for immigrants seeking asylum in the US. UUSG is partnering with Countryside to provide household goods for a new family from Ukraine moving into Chalice House. If you would like to contribute, please sign up at uusg.org/chalice-house. Donations are due to the Common Room by **May 12**.

"May Beyond Our Walls" Northern Illinois Food Bank is a non-profit organization that focuses on providing food to those in need in northern Illinois. They ensure that more than 71,000 people are fed each week through over 900 food pantries, mobile food truck markets, and soup kitchens. Your financial gift can support food distributions, providing \$8 worth of groceries for every \$1 donated.

RE Appreciation Party Please join us Sunday, **May 19**, for a special service recognizing the volunteers who make our RE program possible, as well as the kids who are moving up from one classroom to the next. It will be a feel-good, fun celebration! Stick around for our annual meeting, followed by the 3rd Annual RE Volunteer Appreciation Party. Mini-sandwiches, chips and cupcakes will be served as an afternoon snack. Come for the company, stay for the bounce house! **RSVP by May 13**, to help us plan how much food to order! uusg.org/spring.

UUSG at CPK is Back! Save the date for our next destination fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen in Geneva Commons. On **Monday, May 20**, 11am-9pm, if you mention UUSG at checkout, 20% of all sales will come back to the church. Flyers are available in the Common Room.

Women's Circle "Welcome Summer" **Saturday, May 25**, 1pm at Les Arends Forest Preserve, Batavia. Thank you to all who have participated and helped make this season of Women's Circle so meaningful. As we wrap up the season and celebrate our time together, we will discuss what the future holds for Women Circle, will we pass the torch or temporarily extinguish the flame? More details and sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle.

Exploring UU/UUSG History Class - June 2, 11:45am - 1:45pm. A two-hour orientation class on the history of Unitarian Universalism and of UUSG will be offered at 11:45am on June 2, beginning in the Sanctuary. We recommend taking this class before taking the exploring membership class. Lunch/Brunch is provided! You can sign up at uusg.org/explore or at the welcome center in the Common Room. Childcare (ages 0-8) is provided upon request, please list ages of children in the comment section when signing up.

Exploring Membership Class - June 16, 11:45am - 1:45pm. A two-hour class on exploring membership will be offered on June 16 beginning in the Sanctuary for those who are interested in becoming official members of UUSG. Lunch/Brunch is provided! Sign up at uusg.org/explore or at the welcome center in the Common Room. Childcare (ages 0-8) is provided upon request, please list ages of children in the comment section when signing up.

UUA Virtual General Assembly, June 20-23 General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Participants worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through democratic process. This year, we have a big vote coming up- our new Article II proposals! We have **4** remaining delegates to represent UUSG. If you are interested, contact Christine at office@uusg.org. Everyone is invited! Learn more at uua.org/ga.