

May 31, 2020

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Jennifer Innis Worship Associate: Becky Hruby

Voices: Jaime Andersen, Mike Clements, Kim McDuffee-Dotson, Liam Doyle, Cole Harrison, Corey Klein, Connor Lougheed, Chung Liang, Simon Liang, Abby Price, Nate Price, Chloe Rigertas, Eliot Slaiher, Shawn Thornton Musicians: Lynn Fisher McCanne, Corey Klein, Lucas Fogleman, Harper Dotson, Ben Holish Technical Director: Jeff Stibal

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, June 7: "Pride Sunday" Rev. Jennifer Innis

Sunday, June 14: "The Question Box" Revs. Jennifer Innis and Patrick Price

Sunday, June 21: "Wishes" Revs. Jennifer Innis and Patrick Price

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Prelude Fur Elise, Ludwig von Beethoven

Welcome & Community Announcements

Song of Community # 361 "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; Enter, rejoice, and come in. Open your ears to the song. Open your ears to the song. Today will be a joyful day; Enter, rejoice, and come in. Open your hearts ev'ry-one. Open your hearts ev'ry-one Today will be a joyful day; Enter, rejoice, and come in. Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change. Today will be a joyful day; Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; Enter, rejoice, and come in.

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Praise God, the Love we all may share; Praise God, the Beauty everywhere; Praise God, the Hope of Good to be; Praise God, the Truth that makes us free.

Our 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

From all that dwell below the skies Let faith and hope with love arise; Let beauty, truth, and good be sung Through every land by every tongue.

Moving Up, Part I

Offering

Hymn # 123 "Spirit of Life," sung twice

Spirit of Life, come unto me. Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion. Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice. Roots hold me close; wings set me free; Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Pastoral Prayer

Meditation

Shared Quiet

Musical Response Blue Boat Home, Peter Mayer

Moving Up, Part II

Moving Up Grades K-2 to Grades 3-5

Special Music *Imagination* from *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*

Moving Up Grades 3-5 to Middle School

Moving Up Middle School to High School

Recognizing High School Graduates

Appreciation

Hymn # 128 "For All That Is Our Life"

For all that is our life we sing our thanks and praise; for all life is a gift which we are called to use to build the common good and make out own days glad. For needs which others serve, for services we give, for work and its rewards, for hours of rest and love; we come with praise and thanks for all that is our life. For sorrow we must bear, for failures, pain, and loss, for each new thing we learn, for fearful hours that pass: we come with praise and thanks for all that is our life. For all that is our life we sing our thanks and praise; for all life is a gift which we are called to use to build the common good and make our own days glad.

Sending Our Light into the World

Benediction

Postlude Celebration of Peace, Nancy Faber

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Announcements

The Board of Directors has extended our current stay-at-home practice including a continuation of virtual services, group meetings and other functions until at least Friday, July 31. Ongoing assessments are being monitored and further updates will be posted at <u>uusg.org</u> as relevant.

Fraud, Phishing, and Scams Some members recently received an scam email that looked like it came from Rev. Jennifer Innis, asking the recipient if they "had a moment to talk"/"were available". Do not reply. This is a phishing scam sent from a false email. If you are able to notify your email provider and/or gmail that you've received this, it is helpful in stopping the attack.

These emails are another example of phishing, where a scammer tries to "hook" responses by imitating a known person or group. Responses to these messages will be followed by requests for money, often under the guise of asking for help. No requests for money will come from the ministers in this way. Again, do not reply.

Also, please know that we will never ask you for money, donations, or "favors" via email in this way. Another telltale sign to know if it's a scam is that the language and grammar seems a bit off or not as we would write.

And a reminder to carefully review emails before clicking on links or downloading attachments. When in doubt, delete and mark as spam. The Federal Trade Commission has a <u>helpful</u> <u>article here</u> on how to recognize and avoid phishing scams.

Unfortunately, there are many scams running at this time while we are staying at home. If you receive suspicious emails or messages that may appear to come from the ministers or the church, please contact Revs. Jennifer or Patrick and the office. June 14 The Question Box Every so often, the ministers create the sermon in real time based on questions from the congregation. Revs. Jennifer and Patrick will lead their final shared question box sermon on June 14. Please send questions to their email. They may even take a few in the Zoom chat during worship. They look forward to hearing from you!

June 21 Wishes Join us for the final worship led by Revs. Jennifer and Patrick as they end their interim co-ministry with UUSG. They hope to see as many people as possible.

Looking for a convenient way to fulfill your pledge or make a donation to UUSG during this time? Visit our website here to donate using your PayPal account, credit card, or debit card. You can also contribute to our monthly "Beyond Our Walls" collections here; be sure to include "BOW" in the special note instructions. Questions about donating online? Contact Christine at <u>office@uusg.org</u>. Checks may also be mailed to: UUSG, PO BOX 107, Geneva, IL 60134.

For UUs who simply want to learn more about the history of the Bible as literature, as well as early Christianity, "Bible Study for UUs" is on the third Monday of each month, 7-8:30pm. Our next meeting will be on June 15. We'll continue our discussion of "<u>Heaven and Hell: A History of the Afterlife</u>" by Bart Ehrman. We'll meet via Zoom. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier at <u>biblestudy@uusg.org</u>.

The Communications Team We are a recently resurrected volunteer team focused on communications, marketing, and welcoming people beyond our walls (BOW) to check UUSG out. Youth and members of underrepresented populations are especially encouraged to join. We welcome ALL members of all skill, commitment, and curiosity levels. Please contact the Communications Team Leader, Caroline Amelse, at communications@uusg.org for more information.

Beyond Our Walls In the months of March and April, members and friends donated \$2155 in support of the Northern Illinois Food Bank. In this time of crisis, our donation had an immediate impact within this community. With the spending power they employ, the NIFB can buy \$16,000 worth of food from their suppliers.

Julie Yurko, CEO of the Food Bank, provided this information. Our efforts contributed to the success of their mission in April. The NIFB is the BOW recipient for May, please continue to be as generous as you are able. At this time of need, every dollar counts. Visit <u>uusg.org/donate</u> for online giving information.



Your contributions are very much appreciated. If you have any questions for this volunteer effort, please contact one of the following Social Justice Team members. Larry Escalona, escalaz39@gmail.com, Jean Pierce, jeanpierce@aol.com.

Corona Virus Mask Making Opportunity The Social Justice Team is joining efforts with the "We Can Lead Change" group that is assembling and distributing no-sew masks. They have a well-organized process and are currently delivering thousands of masks but need more "Assembly Workers" to build the volume. These masks are being delivered to many shelters, nursing homes, and first responders. If you would like to get into the fun, please see this video on how to assemble masks. You can keep up to 5 masks for the use of you and your family. They are surprisingly comfortable, and can be washed up to three times in a mesh bag...air dry. Assembly volunteers pick up a mask kit of materials for 25 and then return the finished set at Christine's Schirtzinger's porch at 3448 Dover Hill Ct, St Charles, anytime between 9am and 9pm. UUSG Members Bill Koehl and Bill Scown would like to keep track of our volunteer effort. To get started please give Bill Scown a call at 630-360-0905 or email wnscown@comcast.net.