

June 14, 2020

**Unitarian Universalist  
Society of Geneva**

**Today's Worship Team**

**In the Pulpit:** Rev. Jennifer Innis & Rev. Patrick Price

**Worship Associate:** Gail Tattersfield

**Musician:** Sandra Anderson

**Technical Directors:** Jeff Stibal, Cari Gesiakowski

**Upcoming Services:**

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

**Sunday, June 28:** UUA General Assembly Worship at 9am

*Come as you are.*

# Order of Worship

**Prelude** *The Little Morning Wanderer*, Robert Schumann

## Welcome & Community Announcements

### **Song of Community** "A Place in the Choir"

All God's critters got a place in the choir  
Some sing low, some sing higher  
Some sing out loud on the telephone wires  
And some just clap their hands, or paws, or anything they got  
now

Listen to the bass, it's the one on the bottom  
Where the bullfrog croaks and the hippopotamus  
Moans and groans with a big t'do  
And the old cow just goes moo

The dogs and the cats they take up the middle  
While the honeybee hums and the cricket fiddles  
The donkey brays and the pony neighs  
And the old coyote howls

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now

Listen to the top where the little birds sing  
On the melodies with the high notes ringing  
The hoot owl hollers over everything  
And the jaybird disagrees

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now

## **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.

## **Appreciation: Sandra Anderson**

## **Appreciation: Becky Hruby**

## **Offering**

### **Hymn # 18 "What Wondrous Love"**

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this that brings my heart such bliss,  
and takes away the pain of my soul, of my soul,  
And takes away the pain of my soul.  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
  
When I was sinking down beneath my sorrows ground,  
Friends to me gather'd round, O my soul, O my soul,  
Friends to me gather'd round, O my soul.  
To love and to all friends I will sing, I will sing,  
To love and to all friends I will sing.  
To love and to all friends who pain and sorrow mend,

(cont.)

with thanks to the end I will sing, I will sing,  
with thanks unto the end I will sing.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Meditation**

### **Shared Quiet**

**Musical Response** *Peace of the Woods*, Edvard Grieg

**Message** Questions? Questions!

**Hymn** #346 Come, Sing a Song with Me

Come, sing a song with me, come, sing a song with me,  
come, sing a song with me, that I might know your mind.

### **Chorus**

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find, and I'll bring a  
song of love and a rose in the winter time.

Come dream a dream with me, come, dream a dream with me,  
come, dream a dream with me, that I might know your mind.

Come, walk in rain with me, come, walk in rain with me, come,  
walk in rain with me, that I might know your mind.

Come, share a rose with me, come, share a rose with me, come,  
share a rose with me, that I may know your mind.

### **Sending Our Light into the World**

### **Benediction**

**Postlude** *A Little Joke*, Dmitri Kabalevsky

# Today & This Week at UUSG

[uusg.org/calendar](https://uusg.org/calendar)

(All activities meet via Zoom. Contact your group leader for links.)

## Sunday, June 14

- 9:00 am Summer RE: K-5
- 11:00 am Summer RE: 6-8
- 12:00 pm Summer RE: 9-12

## Monday, June 15

- 7:00 pm Bible Study for UUs

## Tuesday, June 16

- 1:00 pm The Help Desk with Christine
- 7:00 pm Farewell Sharing Circle

## Wednesday, June 17

- 11:00 am Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group
- 7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting

## Thursday, June 18

- 11:00 am Simply Sharing Circle

## Friday, June 19

- 12:00 pm Lunch with a Minister

## Saturday, June 20

## Sunday, June 21

- 10:00 am Online Worship Service

## Announcements

### **Navigating the Year Ahead: Board Statement on UUSG's COVID-19**

**Reopening Strategy.** As UUSG looks ahead to the coming year, we're thrilled to begin our new journey with Rev. Scot Hull. At the same time, unexpected and weighty decisions demand our attention about how we will do church and when we'll resume "normal," face-to-face worship and ministry practices. [Visit our website to learn more about UUSG's plan for the future.](#)

**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.

**If you spent money on behalf** of UUSG this year and have not yet requested reimbursement, **please do so by June 30.** Please scan and email your receipts to Christine at [office@uusg.org](mailto:office@uusg.org). **Reimbursements for 2019-2020 cannot be made after June 30.**

**If you haven't fulfilled** your 2019-20 operating fund pledge commitment yet, please try to do so by June 30. Questions? Contact Christine at [office@uusg.org](mailto:office@uusg.org).

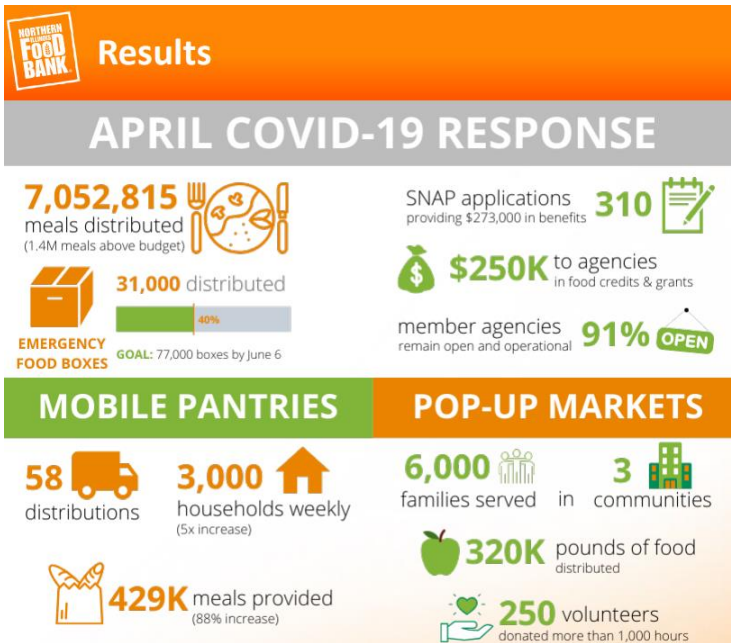
**The Board of Directors** has extended our current stay-at-home practice including a continuation of virtual services, group meetings and other functions until at least Friday, July 31. Ongoing assessments are being monitored and further updates will be posted at [uusg.org](http://uusg.org) as relevant.

**Farewell Sharing Circle** June 16, at 7pm, there is one more chance to meet with the ministers and reflect on the past two years in a more intentional way. The small group conversation will include readings and our responses to questions such as: How do we part ways well? What do you need to hear or say in this time of transition? The group will run for about an hour. [Sign up here.](#)

**Simply Sharing** Thursday, June 18, at 11am. A reminder notice and the Zoom connection information will be sent to all past attendees. We welcome any newcomers as well, just let Gail Tattersfield know so she can send you the link. This time, please share a book suggestion that you have recently enjoyed or a book or article that has really informed you somehow. Hope to see you on Zoom.

**June “Beyond Our Walls”** Members and friends donated \$1,978 in support of the Northern Illinois Food Bank in May. In this time of crisis, our donation had an immediate impact within this community. The Food Bank will continue to be our BOW recipient in June and July. Thank you for your generous giving!

The graphic shows just how busy the NIFB was in April. June is going to be no different.



**Lunch with the Ministers** There is one more chance to have lunch with Rev. Jennifer and Rev. Patrick on Friday, June 19, at noon.

**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 "Heaven and Hell: A History of the Afterlife" by Bart Ehrman. We'll meet via Zoom. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier at [biblestudy@uusg.org](mailto:biblestudy@uusg.org).

**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 [office@uusg.org](mailto:office@uusg.org). Checks may also be mailed to: UUSG, PO BOX 107, Geneva, IL 60134.

**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 [wscown@comcast.net](mailto:wscown@comcast.net).



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