



June 7, 2020

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Jennifer Innis

Worship Associate: Melissa Auer

Musicians & Soloists: Geoff Pynn

Technical Director: Jeffrey Stibal

Upcoming Services:

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

Call to Worship

Prelude

Words of Welcome & Community Announcements

Song of Community # 118 This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.

Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.

Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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.

Sacred Story “Showing Up for Pride”

Hymn # 170 “We Are a Gentle, Angry People”

We are a gentle angry people, and we are singing, singing for our lives.
We are a gentle angry people, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice seeking people, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice seeking people, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are young and old together, and we are singing, singing for our lives.
We are young and old together, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a land of many colors, and we are singing, singing for our lives.
We are a land of many colors, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are gay and straight together, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are gay and straight together, and we are singing, singing for our lives.

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Reading & Meditation “Mattering,” Rev. Mark Hicks

Musical Response

Sermon

Hymn # 407 “We’re Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table”

We’re gonna sit at the welcome table,
We’re gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah!
We’re gonna sit at the welcome table, gonna sit at the welcome table
one of these days.

All kinds of people around that table,
All kinds of people around that table one of these days, hallelujah!
All kinds of people around that table, gonna sit at the welcome table
one of these days

No fancy style at the welcome table,
No fancy style at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah!
No fancy style at the welcome table, gonna sit at the welcome table one
of these days.

Unison Closing

Benediction

Postlude

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Announcements

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 office@uusg.org. Checks may also be mailed to: UUSG, PO BOX 107, Geneva, IL 60134.

Show the Love for Sandra Anderson and Becky Hruby The Sacred Story on June 14, will become a time of appreciation for two very special people. We will offer a long due thank you to Sandra Anderson for her leadership of the Religious Education Music program. Now that we have completed the children and youth religious education year, we have the chance to thank Becky Hruby for her myriad efforts as our new Director of Religious Education. Please send photos, brief memories, or photos of thank you art to Rev. Jennifer by June 10, or contact her to let her know to expect a contribution. Send to interim.coministers@uusg.org.

Farewell Sharing Circles For June there will be a few times to meet with the ministers and reflect on the past two years in a more intentional way. These small group conversations 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? Each group will run for about an hour depending on the flow of the conversation. Upcoming dates are: June 4, at 7pm, June 11, at 7pm, and June 16, at 7pm. [Sign up here to attend](#). Please see Revs. Jennifer or Patrick for questions and more information.

Women's Circle extended their 2019-20 offerings to include two Zoom sessions in April and May. We are so grateful for all the participants this year! Thank you all for your involvement, your honesty, your collective wisdom, your active listening, and your smiles! Our group was almost 30 strong each session we met, and the topics we explored together were found to be meaningful and helpful. We now take a break for the summer, and are planning to start again in late September, most likely using Zoom. We invite all members and friends who identify as women, ages 18 and up, to join us then. In the meantime, if you have an idea for a topic, a guest speaker, or an organizational suggestion for the Planning Team, forward them to rhondasuerobinson@gmail.com.

And sadly for us, we gratefully bid a very fond farewell to our own Trish Beckjord, who is leaving the area and the church to move nearer family in Pittsburgh, PA. We will miss her wonderful involvement with our sessions, her smile, her loving communication and super organizing skills, among others. We all wish her happiness and an easy transition to her new home!

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.

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 graphic shows just how busy the NIFB was in April. June is going to be no different. This is short notice, but we are looking for 20 members and friends to volunteer during our next volunteer event. The NIFB is continuously updating their safety information regarding operations. Please follow the supplied [link](#) if you have concerns. Saturday, June 13, 9am-noon. [Please sign up here.](#)

