

November 8, 2020

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Annual Veterans Service "Politics and the Military"

Today's Worship Team

Musicians: Tracey McFadden, Brian Joosse, Kristin McFadden,

David Hanchette, Dawn Pokorny

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Cari Gesiakowski

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, November 15: Rev. Scot Hull, "Carl Sagan Day"

Sunday, November 22: Rev. Dr. John Buehrens

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Church Bell and Call to Worship Tracey McFadden

Song of Community # 100 "Peace Like a River"
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, in my soul. I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, in my soul

I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops in my soul. I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops in my soul.

I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain, in my soul.
I've got strength like a mountain, in my soul.

Words of Welcome Aaron Fogleman

Music "Feel Like I'm Fixin' to Die Rag," written by Country Joe McDonald

Reading "When Troops and Country Are Adrift" Lynn Steele

Congregational Offering and Beyond Our Walls TLS Veterans Shelter and Resource Center, presented by Lynn Steele

Offering TLS photos

For All Ages "A Bowl Full of Peace" by Caren Stelson, presented by Aaron Fogleman

Music "Travelin' Soldier" written by Bruce Robison

Reading "Life on a Nuclear Submarine" Brian Joosse

Music "What Did You Learn in School Today" written by Pete Seeger

Reading "The Naming of Army Installations" Chris Benshoof

Music "Down by the Riverside," traditional

Reading "The Military, the US Constitution, and Me" Aaron Fogleman

Concluding Thoughts on Veterans Rev. Scot Hull

Postlude "Taps" performed by Dawn Pokorny

Extinguishing the Chalice Rev. Scot Hull

Coffee Hour Breakouts

Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

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

Sunday, November 8

- 9:00 am RE Class K-2
- 10:00 am Online Worship Service
- 11:15 am RE Class 3-5
- 11:15 am RE Class 6-8
- 11:15 am RE Class 9-12
- 1:00 pm Parents Circle with Rev. Scot

Monday, November 9

1:00 pm Finance Team Meeting

Tuesday, November 10

- 12:00 pm BYO Lunch with Rev. Scot
- 1:00 pm The Help Desk with Christine
- 7:00 pm Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, November 11

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Thursday, November 12

Friday, November 13

Saturday, November 14

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Announcements

This November our BOW offering will go to TLS Veterans which operates a transitional living program for 20 homeless veterans in our area. Since 2001 this program, along with their drop-in resource center, has helped many veterans find employment and reconnect with their communities and rejoin their families.

BYOL (Lunch) with Rev. Scot: Tuesdays at Noon Rev. Scot will be hosting an open meeting on Zoom each Tuesday at noon. No agenda. No requirements. Come if you can, when you can. Just bring yourself, your concerns, your questions, your stories, your jokes—and your lunch—and join him (and your congregational friends!) in our virtual courtyard for an hour of conversation, connection, and community. Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5832903665. Meeting ID: 583 290 3665, Dial by your location: +1 312 626 6799 (Chicago).

Today, November 8 at 1pm: Parents Circle

Got kids? These are impossible times, and impossible times calls for coffee and community. If you can take an hour, come chat with Rev. Scot and other UUSG parents about what's on your head & heart. **Zoom Meeting:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84033914938

Next Sunday, November 15 at 1pm: Minister Coffee

Open Forum! For those of you that think those talk-back sessions are just a tad too short, this is for you. Bring your questions, your curiosity, and a cup of coffee, and we'll chat!

Sermons and For All Ages Stories Now on YouTube! Would you like to watch past sermons and FAA presentations and share them with friends and family? Visit our YouTube page at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9oupYz5jh08iZ3u1m-J-kw.

UUSG Women's Circle Our next session will be held on Saturday, November 21, 1-3 pm, via Zoom. Our topic is Fairness/Justice. With the election this month the topic of fairness and justice is on our minds. Most people have childhood memories of feeling that something was unfair. Do you recall a vivid childhood memory around fairness you could bring to share? We may consider how you think it shaped the rest of your life. Our meetings are open to all members and friends over the age of eighteen, identifying as female. Sign up here for Zoom link and to let us know you can attend!

UUSG's Thanksgiving Day Social Hour! Many folks will be celebrating Thanksgiving at home and on a much smaller scale than previous years. Join your UUSG friends via Zoom, 5-6:30pm. Bring your dinner, or dessert, or holiday beverage of choice, and visit with others who would enjoy the company. Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85026450629

For All Ages Opportunity Are you interested in an opportunity to read a "For All Ages" story during a Zoom Sunday service? Please let the newly formed "For All Ages Team" of Rhonda Robinson, Tom Lichtenheld and Becky Hruby know! Whether you want to read alone or with a loved one, there will be stories to tell. Please let us know if you would like your name on the list of potential readers. There will be many opportunities throughout the year. Also note whether you prefer a solo gig or have other voices in your home that would like to join you. Please contact Becky Hruby at DRE@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 **November 30.** Ongoing assessments are being monitored and further updates will be posted at uusg.org as relevant.

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 November 16. We'll continue our discussion of "Peter, Paul and Mary Magdalene: The Followers of Jesus in History and Legend" by Bart Ehrman. We'll be discussing Mary Magdalene. We'll meet using Zoom. For more info, please contact Jim Frazier biblestudy@uusg.org.

How do we combat the injustices in our country? Stand up for others? Use our voices to speak for those unable to do so? In the words of Nelson Mandela, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." To that end, Religious Education has collected several antiracism books for the UUSG library. From child and teen to adult audiences, the UUSG library has a nice selection of new titles to share. Books are available in a bin on the front porch of the Pioneer House. Please sign out the books you borrow on the log on the clipboard (inside the box). Try to return the books within a month to give others the chance to read as well. May you find inspiration and hope throughout the pages.

After Andrew DeCoriolis' Ethical Eating program last August, many expressed the desire to start sharing vegetarian recipes. Deb Brod has stepped up and is willing to coordinate this activity. Please send recipes, favorite websites, stories or information requests to Deb at: dcbrod44@icloud.com. Additional references: https://www.facebook.com/UUVeg. Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry: https://uuam.org/wp/.

Social Justice News

Thank You Volunteers! The Social Justice committee expresses our sincere appreciation to the Clements family, the Hickey Family, and Gail Tattersfield for providing dinner for residents of Lazarus House homeless shelter and to Glenda Peck, the Gesiakowski family, and the Clements family for preparing lunches. You made a real difference in the lives of 60 people.

Advocating for Counting Every Vote

Please send your email to jcscown@comcast.net to be notified about joining the Bridge Brigade to demonstrate support for counting every vote. She will only have 24 hours advance notice about the date and time.

Beyond Our Walls Transitional Living Services for Veterans

Our Veterans identified the Beyond Our Walls recipient for November: Transitional Living Services for Veterans. Many veterans experience unexpected barriers to success. Our goal is to provide them with hope, health and happiness by helping them gain access to: Housing, Community Connections, Employment, Other Necessary Support, Nutrition

Their mission is to provide veterans in need and their families the services necessary to experience hope and achieve success. They do this through our four main values of RESPECT, INTEGRITY, COMPASSION and ADVOCACY.

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