**Thanks to** Volunteers for the UUSG Food Ministry We appreciate the efforts of the following people who prepared meals for Lazarus House this month: Cindy Benshoof, Elizabeth Clements, Jan Miller, Carol Myers, Page Poris, Gail Tattersfield, and David Tomell.

Our Women's Circle Planning Team has organized three varied and very interesting sessions for our spring meetings. We invite all members and friends identifying as female to join us (most likely at UUSG in person!) for these events. Women's Circle events are planned to enhance and broaden our spirituality and create a stronger community among ourselves. All sessions are on Saturdays, 1-4pm. March 26- Participate in our UUSG Day of Service! April 9- The Power of the Apology, presented by Kathleen McFadden

**May 7-** Pam Verner presenting topics from her recently published book; "Spirituality and Its Role in Our Lives."

**Connections Club** Are you new to UUSG or just looking to connect or dig in? Join us for our next gathering on Sunday, April 3! Connections Club meets once a month at the church in-person and on Zoom to learn more about UUSG and for us to learn more about you. While the sessions are geared to newcomers, all are welcome to join in and get acquainted with each other. We will meet at 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

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#### Today & This Week at UUSG uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, March 20Worship Service 9am & 11am• 10:00 amRE Classes K-12• 12:30 pmBig Ideas Covenant Group -online• 12:30 pmSocial Justice Team Meeting
  - 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program
  - 2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2,000 Years of UU History
- Monday, March 21 UUSG Week of Service
  - 7:00 pm ERT/SST Meeting -online

#### Tuesday, March 22

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- 12:00 pm BYO Lunch with Rev. Scot -online
  - 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting

#### Wednesday, March 23

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 am The Luncheonettes
- 12:00 pm Reopening Meeting -online
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, March 24 • 1:00 pr

1:00 pm Memoir Writing Group -online

#### Friday, March 25

• 12:00 pm Geezer's Group

#### Saturday, March 26

- 9:00 am Food Bank Week of Service Event
- Sunday, March 27 Worship Service 9am & 11am
  - 10:00 am RE Classes K-12
  - 10:00 am Board Chat
  - 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
  - 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program

Our Congregational Administrator, **Christine Imielski**, and our Director of Religious Education, **Becky Hruby**, will be on **vacation March 26-31**. The office will be closed.

# Welcome to This House!



## Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

## March 20, 2022

### Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull Worship Associate: Melissa Auer, Gail Tattersfield Musicians: Valerie Heinkel-Bollero, Cynthia Spiegel RE: K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Christine Herring 3-5: Ro Maziarz, Kerry Sapet 6-8: Kim McDuffee, Rachel Harbold 9-12: Jennifer Klein, Scott Dotson YRUU Rep: Liam Doyle Sunday Coordinator: Becky Hruby Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll, Cari Gesiakowski, Doreen Rose Mace

#### **Upcoming Services:**

Sunday, March 27: Guest - Ashley Peterson

Sunday, April 3: Guest - Colin Campbell

#### **Order of Worship**

**Prelude** Medley: "Emmanuel," Bob McGee, "In Moments Like These," David Graham, "Magnificat," J. Michael Talbot, arr. Phil Perkins

#### **Bell Ringing**

#### **Welcoming Words**

Hymn #51 "Lady of the Season's Laughter"

#### **Chalice Lighting**

#### Song Of Praise

## Covenant (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

Testimonial Sophia Spiegel

Pass the Peace

Reading & Story "The Egg," Andy Weir

Hymn #1011 "Return Again"

Testimonial Kevin Beyer

**Offertory** An Italian Folk Theme in the Style of Ravel, arr. Bruce Adolphe

## Responsive

Sermon "There is No Other"

Sending Music "No Other Name," Robert Gay

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

### Announcements

## UUSG's Annual Week of Service, March 20-27

Join members and friends as we promote practical goodness by volunteering in our community! We have a variety of opportunities, from packing food at the Northern Illinois Food Bank, cleaning up a section of the Fox River Trail, to painting Kindness Rocks for your neighborhood. There is a great mix of in-person, online, and on-your-own activities this year for people of all ages. Learn more at <u>uusg.org/week-of-service</u> and sign up today!

**Pledge Drive** We are looking forward to a successful pledge drive, and we can't wait to talk with you! Thanks in advance for putting your caring commitment to UUSG at the top of your to-do list. Your generous, thoughtful participation is the most important ingredient for our success! https://www.uusg.org/pledge-drive

**Memorial Stones** If you would like to remember a loved one with a carved stone in our Memorial Garden, please email or drop off a completed order form (<u>tinyurl.com/ko46op8</u>) to Christine Imielski, <u>office@uusg.org</u>, by April 15. The Memorial Garden Dedication Service will be held May 29 following our 10am Worship Service.

March BOW is Support for Ukraine This month, the Beyond Our Walls Offering will go to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's Emergency Response Fund for Ukraine. The goal is to ensure that UUSC is always ready to provide relief, including their developing work to protect the rights of Ukrainian refugees. Read more at <u>https://www.uusc.org</u>. Make checks out to UUSG with "BOW-Ukraine" in the memo line.

Vaccination Requirements for UUSG Members & Guests: We are asking that all those who wish to attend in-person services be fully vaccinated AND boosted (if you are eligible). We respectfully request proof of vaccination be shared either at the door or in advance. Please visit <u>uusg.org/guidelines-</u> for-gathering for more information.

**Celebration Video** Share your joy! Send your photo to <u>dre@uusg.org</u>.

## A Long Strange Trip: 2,000 Years of Unitarian

**Universalist History** Join Rev. Scot on a unique exploration of UU history with the video series, "A Long Strange Trip." There are **two tracks** (in-person Sundays at 2pm or online Mondays at 630pm), six sessions each. Each session stands alone — attend what you can! Sessions include a video presentation followed by a group discussion. Details are online and in the weekly email. RSVP not required but is appreciated: <u>office@uusg.org</u>.

The Great Courses Series, Thursdays at 11am on Zoom. Join Rev. Scot online to explore Big Ideas from the leading professors in their fields. Starting 4/7 with "The Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam" with Luke Timothy Johnson. 1 hour, followed by a BYO lunch & discussion. Details online and in the weekly email. RSVP requested but not required: <u>office@uusg.org</u>. Zoom link in email.

**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. Zoom <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5832903665</u>.

**The Inclusion Book Club** On April 19, and May 17, we will discuss *A Disability History of the United States* by Kim E. Nielsen. The author casts new light on American history by sharing the experiences of people with disabilities and considering the role of ableism in shaping our democracy. On June 21, in honor of Pride Month, we will begin discussing *The Stars and the Blackness Between Them* by Junauda Petrus. A debut novel, this is the story of two black girls from very different backgrounds finding love and happiness in a world that seems determined to deny them both. A Coretta Scott King Honor Book. You are encouraged to check your local library or independent bookstore for these titles or, if you prefer to order online, Bookshop.org allows you to purchase from a large pool of independent bookstores. Additional links can be found in the weekly email.