Masks Optional UUSG is now 'mask optional' throughout the building, including RE. The exception to this is the Sanctuary. As we have begun singing together again, we are still requiring masking in the Sanctuary during our Sunday services. We know that masking is a personal health decision, and we ask that everyone continue to be respectful of each other's varying levels of caution. The Reopening Task Force continues to monitor the situation closely and continues to meet regularly to discuss appropriate response. Your patience very much welcomed.

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 6:30pm (starting 4/4); six sessions per track. Sessions include a video presentation followed by a group discussion. Each session stands alone — attend what you can, or mix-and-match as needed! Details are online and in the weekly email. RSVP not required but is appreciated: office@uusg.org.

#### **Social Justice Calendar**

**April 16, 9-12:** Sign up to pack food at Northern Illinois Food Bank (link in email)

May 6: Provide 20 sack lunches for Lazarus House

**May 7:** Provide a casserole and salad for 12 for Lazarus House (link in email)

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## **Today & This Week at UUSG**

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## Sunday, April 3 Worship Service 9am & 11am

9:00 am Styrofoam Sunday 10:00 am RE Classes K-12 12:30 pm Connections Club

12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group - online

1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program

 2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History

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#### Monday, April 4

 11:30 am Women's Circle Planning Meeting
 6:30 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of UU History - online

7:30 pm Technology Team Meeting

#### Tuesday, April 5

• 12:00 pm BYO Lunch with Rev. Scot - online

• 7:00 pm Council Meeting - online

#### Wednesday, April 6

10:30 am Staff Meeting
12:00 pm Reopening Meeting
4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study

Meeting -online

## Thursday, April 7

• 11:00 am The Great Courses Series -online

Friday, April 8 OWL Overnight

#### Saturday, April 9

1:00 pm Women's Circle

## Sunday, April 10 Worship Service 9am & 11am

10:00 am RE Classes K-1212:30 pm Connections Club

• 12:30 pm Big Ideas Covenant Group -online

• 1:00 pm K-3 OWL Program

2:00 pm A Long Strange Trip: 2000 Years of

**UU** History

## **Welcome to This House!**



# Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

**April 3, 2022** 

**Today's Worship Team** 

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull with Guest Speaker

Colin Campbell

Worship Associate: Gail Tattersfield, Diane

Gallentine

**Musicians:** Sandra Anderson, Cynthia Spiegel **Leaders:** Kimberly Harrison, Kerry Sapet, Ro Maziarz, Rachel Harbold, Jaime Anderson, Becky

Hruby

Sunday Coordinator: Becky Hruby

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll,

Cari Gesiakowski, Doreen Rose Mace

## Upcoming Services:

**Sunday, April 10:** Rev. Scot Hull, "Where is Everybody?"

**Sunday, April 17:** Rev. Scot Hull, "Dirt-Covered Hands"

#### **Order of Worship**

**Prelude** "Allegro moderato, Andante cantabile," Stephen Heller

## **Bell Ringing**

## **Call to Worship**

**Introit** "Prayer for Ukraine," words: Bozhe Velykyi Oleksandr Konysky, music: Mykola Lysenko, 1885; performed by St. Charles Singers

## **Welcoming Words**

Hymn #38 "Morning Has Broken"

#### **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 Will Sapet

Pass the Peace

## Reading

**Testimonial** Tom Lichtenheld

**Offertory** "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life," Ralph Vaughn Williams adapt.

Sermon Colin Campbell

Hymn #89 "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"

## **Chalice Extinguishing**

Sending Music "Serenade," Aleksandr Borodin

**Benediction** 

#### **Announcements**

We cordially invite you to attend a congregation meeting on Sunday, April 10, at noon (for clarification, this is NOT our annual meeting) to discuss an exciting proposal to utilize our Third Street property. We are planning to gather at noon in the Common Room to enjoy a light lunch – sandwiches and light snacks, then moving into the Sanctuary around 12:45-1pm for the meeting. Our UUSG team will make a short presentation, followed by the Friends of the Viking Ship, concluding with a Q&A period. We are hoping that you will join us to learn more about the future possibilities for our property on 3rd Street. We will need a head count for lunch. The link below is to RSVP for the lunch and the meeting. <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4CAFA628A31-april.">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4CAFA628A31-april.</a> If you would like to learn more about FOVS, their mission and the history of the vessel, please visit <a href="https://vikingship.us/">https://vikingship.us/</a>.

Connections Club Today! Are you new to UUSG or just looking to connect or dig in? Join us today! 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.

Teen Coming of Age Program Starts April 15 The RE Steering Committee is thrilled to announce the launch of 'RUUU?,' an exploration of spiritual identity for teens. Kicking off Friday, April 15, with an overnight camp-out, this series of interactive workshops will take place for five Sundays, April 24–May 22. Current YRUU participants are invited to register by emailing dre@uusg.org.

**April BOW: Fox River Valley Initiative** UUSG collaborates with other churches and non-profits in Kane County through the Fox River Valley Initiative. Working together, we are making a difference in:

- Availability of Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs) quickly offering treatment rather than incarceration for people experiencing mental illness and/or addiction
- Affordable and accessible housing for individuals, families, and young adults
- Advocating for the production and purchase of safe guns for use by law enforcement.

Change for a Change Jar: Collecting for Cal's Angels

The Change for a Change Jar was created for members and friends of UUSG to make a difference by contributing loose change to a worthy cause. This year, the Religious Education children voted that the money should go to 'Cal's Angels,' a local charity serving pediatric cancer patients. Cal's Angels has a 4-star Charity Navigator rating. Money collected in the Change for a Change jar at the front of the sanctuary will provide hospital parties and comfort kits for patients served by Cal's Angels.

Donating directly to the UU Service Committee's Ukrainian Relief Fund UUSG members and Friends are invited to continue contributing to Ukrainian relief through the UU Service Committee's Emergency Response Fund. email: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/3Jvi4wo">bit.ly/3Jvi4wo</a> or send a check to Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Emergency Response Fund, 689 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139

The Power of an Apology – Women's Circle Saturday, April 9, 1-4 PM in the Sanctuary and via Zoom. A hallmark of spiritual and personal power is the ability to apologize. Kathy McFadden will provide insights from Dr. Lerner's book: how to give and receive an apology; how to listen non-defensively, and how to make it easier for others to apologize. All UUSG members and friends identifying as female are welcome, in person or Zoom, sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle. Details in the weekly email.

The Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, Thursdays at 11am on Zoom. Join Rev. Scot online as we tour selected offerings from The Great Courses and explore Big Ideas from the leading professors in their fields. Starting 4/7. 1 hour, followed by a BYO lunch & discussion. Details online and in the weekly email. RSVP requested but not required: office@uusg.org. Zoom link in the email.

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. Additional links in the weekly email.