**Luncheonettes:** It's Just Lunch! All those identifying as female are invited to join our lunch group. We meet once a month, the 4th Wednesday of the month, 11:30-1:00. May 25, we hope to meet on the outdoor deck at Andres' in Batavia, weather permitting. Please mark your calendars to join us! RSVP at <a href="mailto:uusg.org/luncheonettes">uusg.org/luncheonettes</a>.

We are grateful to our WOW Team for hosting today and week. During the summer, our social hour takes a more "relaxed" approach, but all are welcomed and encouraged to sign up in advance so that we can acknowledge you! See <a href="mailto:uusg.org/hosting">uusg.org/hosting</a> for upcoming dates.

Connections Club June 5 Are you new to UUSG or just looking to connect? Connections Club meets once a month at the church and on Zoom to learn more about UUSG and for us to learn more about you. All are welcome to join. We will meet at 12:30 in the Sanctuary.

**Save the Date:** The UUSG Auction will be November 5, 2022!

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

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Sunday, May 15	Worship Service 9am & 11am
• 10:00 am	RE Classes K-12
• 11:00 am	RUUU? Program
• 12:30 pm	Annual Congregational Meeting
• 12:30 pm	Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
• 1:00 pm	K-3 OWL Program
• 6:00 pm	Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
Monday, May 16	
• 6:30 pm	A Long Strange Trip: 2,000 Years of UU History -online
Tuesday, May 17	
• 7:00 pm	The Inclusion Book Club -online
Wednesday, May 18	
<ul> <li>10:00 am</li> </ul>	Staff Meeting
• 4:00 pm	Heritage Team Meeting
• 7:00 pm	Buddhism Group - online
• 7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
• 7:00 pm	Facilities Team Meeting
Thursday, May 19	
<ul> <li>11:00 am</li> </ul>	Simply Sharing Circle -online
• 11:00 am	The Great Courses Series -online
Friday, May 20	
<ul> <li>9:00 am</li> </ul>	History Museum Bell Ringing
Saturday, May 21	
Sunday, May 22	Worship Service 11am
<ul> <li>10:00 am</li> </ul>	RE Classes K-12
<ul> <li>11:00 am</li> </ul>	RUUU? Program
• 12:30 pm	Big Ideas Covenant Group -online
• 12:30 pm	UUSG Spring Picnic
• 12:30 pm	Social Justice Team Meeting

Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

6:00 pm

# **Welcome to This House!**



# Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

May 15, 2022

May Theme: Beauty

Today's Worship Team In the Pulpit: Deb Brod

Worship Associates: Cindy Duckworth, Page

Poris

Musicians: John Rosenkrans, piano; Kerena

Fox Moeller, cello; Cynthia Spiegel

RE: K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Christine Herring

3-5: Bill Pokorny, Ro Maziarz

6-8: Vickie Kilgore, Jenny Montgomery 9-12: Jaime Andersen, Scott Dotson **Sunday Coordinator:** Becky Hruby

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll,

Cari Gesiakowski, Doreen Rose Mace

### **Upcoming Services:**

**Sunday, May 22:** Teacher Appreciation Service Moving Up Ceremony

**Sunday. May 29:** Rev. Scot Hull, "What We Remember"

**Call to Worship** 

Introit "Salut d'Amour," Elgar

**Welcoming Words** 

Opening Hymn #1003 "Where Do We Come From"

**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

Reading

**Passing the Peace** 

Beyond Our Walls presented by Kevin Beyer

Offertory "Traumerei," Schumann

**Responsive** "The Mission/How Great thou Art," Morricone

Sermon "The Existential Rabbit Hole"

**Hymn** #324 "Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads"

**Chalice Extinguishing** 

Sending Music "Minuets from Cello Suite No.1," Bach

Benediction

#### **Announcements**

**Please join us Sundays**, 6-7pm, in the UUSG Common Room, for guided meditation and Dhamma Talk with Blue Lotus Temple monastics.

One Worship Service schedule begins May 22. We are doing things a bit differently this year! Our Moving Up (celebrating youth moving from one class grouping to the next) & RE Teacher/Volunteer Recognition Service will take place in one service at 11am this year. There is no 9am worship service on May 22. Please join us after the service for the congregation wide Teacher Appreciation/Spring Picnic. All are welcome! Beginning May 29, we move to our regular summer schedule of one worship service at 10am.

Annual Congregational Meeting Today at 12:30 This year's Annual Meeting will be held today in the Sanctuary and online via Zoom. All members and friends are encouraged to attend. In addition to voting on the slate of candidates for next year's Board of Directors, we will also vote on endorsing the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty as an organization.

May BOW: The Northern Illinois Food Bank provides food to 900 sites, including food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens, and other programs. In addition, they sponsor child nutrition after school and summer programs, they operate two traveling food pantry trucks, they provide monthly boxes of food for seniors. Every dollar you donate provides \$8 worth of groceries. You can also sign up through the UUSG website to pack food at the Food Bank the morning of June 11. Please give generously.

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." We have one more session on May 16 at 6:30pm on Zoom. More info in weekly email.

**UUSG Spring Picnic Next Week!** Join us on Sunday, May 22, 12:30-2pm at UUSG for a Spring Picnic celebrating our Religious Education Volunteers! Regardless of whether you have youth in K-12, our RE program shapes the future of our community. Please gather in comUUnity to show over 30 volunteers who make this program possible how much we appreciate and value them. RSVP at <a href="mailto:uusg.org/spring-picnic">uusg.org/spring-picnic</a>.

Save the Date! UUSG will march in the Aurora Pride Parade on Sunday, June 12. The parade will begin at noon. Bring your energy! Bring your family! Bring your friends! The more, the merrier! As we march down the streets, we will carry our UUSG banner, call out chants, and play kazoos! We will also have Rainbow Peace necklaces to distribute to the kids and teens watching the parade. Sign up at <a href="mailto:uusg.org/parade"><u>uusg.org/parade</u></a> to let us know you can attend. Final details regarding when and where to meet will be available soon! Questions? Contact Kimberly Harrison at <a href="mailto:kharrison436@gmail.com">kharrison436@gmail.com</a>.

**Geneva Pride** Join UUSG and other area churches on June 12, 3-9pm at Wheeler Park (south pavilion) for a picnic, entertainment, activities, and community. More details soon.

**The Inclusion Book Club** On 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.

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 for an hour, followed by a BYO lunch & discussion. Details online and in the weekly email. office@uusg.org.

#### Social Justice Calendar - More info in Weekly Email

May 17: 7pm Candidate Forum, Judges

May 19: Early Voting Begins

May 23: Monday Movie at 7pm on Zoom June 3: Prepare Lazarus House lunches

June 4: Prepare Lazarus House dinners

June 11: Pack Food at NIFB

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

This year, the money will go to 'Cal's Angels,' a local charity serving pediatric cancer patients with 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.