July 25 Monday Movie "Braver Angels" Please join us to view a recording made for the League of Women Voters recently by Chuck Stone, from Braver Angels Illinois, describing and demonstrating the Braver Angels approach to facilitating communication "across the aisle." This Monday Movie might be subtitled, "How to survive a Thanksgiving Dinner without wanting to throw a turkey leg at Uncle Fred." Zoom link on our website at uusg.org.

Adopt-a-Plot Have a green thumb? UUSG's Adopt-a-Plot Weeding Ministry is looking for volunteers to help maintain our beautiful grounds. This commitment involves adopting one of if our nine plots and helping to maintain it with a few others. If you'd like more information or are interested in volunteering, contact Karen Laukaitis at <a href="weeding@uusg.org">weeding@uusg.org</a>.

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

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Sunday, July 17 Worship Service 10am
 6:00 pm Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Monday, July 18

• 11:30 am Women's Circle Planning

Meeting

Tuesday, July 19

12:30pm Music Rehearsal7:00 pm The Inclusion Book Club -online

Wednesday, July 20

 4:00 pm Heritage Team Meeting
 7:00 pm UU Buddhist Meditation & Study Group (online)

7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting

Thursday, July 21

Friday, July 22

• 11:30 am The Geezer's Group -off-site

Saturday, July 23

• 6:30 pm UUSG Youth Movie Night

Sunday, July 24 YRUU Habitat for Humanity Trip

• 12:00 pm Social Justice Team Retreat

-off-site

6:00 pm Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

**Vacation** Our Congregational Administrator, Christine Imielski will be on vacation July 17-20.

## **Welcome to This House!**



# **Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva**

**July 17, 2022** 

Today's Worship Team
In the Pulpit: Rev R Ken Turner
Worship Associate: Ashley Peterson
Musicians: Lynn Fisher McCanne, piano; Linda

O'Neill

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll,

Cari Gesiakowski, Doreen Rose Mace

**Upcoming Services:** 

Sunday, July 24: Kyohei Kevin Mikawa

Sunday, July 31: Kevin O'Neill, "Our Story"

#### **Order of Worship**

Prelude "Portrait of Ray Charles," Marian McPartland

**Bell Ringing** 

**Call to Worship** 

Opening Hymn #39 "Bring, O Morn, Thy Music"

**Welcoming Words** 

**Chalice Lighting** 

**Song of Praise** 

#### Covenant

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

## **Passing Peace**

**Offertory** "When the Spirit Says Do," African-American Spiritual, arr. Mark Freundt

## Reading

**Responsive** "A Rose Is Gently Blooming," Johannes Brahms

Sermon "Understanding Spirit"

Hymn #1007 "There's a River Flowing in My Soul"

## **Chalice Extinguishing**

#### **Benediction**

**Sending Music** "Come and Go with Me," African-American spiritual, arr. Kenny Smith

#### **Announcements**

**Today in our Pulpit: Rev R Ken Turner** is the Sr. Minister & Founder "Unity of Chicago South" (UCS), Transformational Speaker, Podcast Host, Independent TV Producer, and author. He always gives us plenty to think about.

Kyohei (Kevin) Mikawa will provide interesting insight on July 24. From his website: "Life is an accumulation of each moment of experience. If you can live even one moment of becoming a buddha-like person in your life and gradually extends that moment, your life will be more meaningful and rewarding. The key is to prioritize the perspectives of the other and forget about your own perspectives especially when others are in need of something. This is a practical application of the buddhist teaching of "no-self" qua a path to universal buddhahood as elaborated in the Lotus Sutra."

Josef's Meatballs for Sale! We have some frozen meatballs leftover from our Swedish Days booth in the UUSG freezer. \$50 for a regular bag, \$40 for vegetarian. Cash or checks out to UUSG and put in Christine's mailbox.

Inclusion Book Club Our next book is "Hood Feminism" by Mikki Kendall. We will discuss the first half of the book on Tuesday, 7/19, 7pm, on Zoom. Especially as we join in the uprising by women and their allies regarding reproductive rights, this is a perfect time to listen anew to the perspectives of BIPOC women who have historically felt left out of the feminist movement. From Goodreads: "Mainstream feminists rarely talk about meeting basic needs as a feminist issue, argues Mikki Kendall, but food insecurity, access to quality education, safe neighborhoods, a living wage, and medical care are all feminist issues."

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

The July BOW cause is the Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants ICDI provides a number of essential services for immigrants and asylum-seekers, including:

- +Offering housing, financial assistance, and case management to people who would otherwise have been detained in traumatizing conditions
- +Providing support to immigrants being held in ICE detention in county jails
- +Accompanying immigrants in court and serve as observers to hold the Immigration Court system accountable
- +Visiting migrant children apprehended by the US Government for crossing the border who are awaiting reunification with a family member.

Women's Circle We need your help! The Women's Circle Planning Team has met and would like your input on next season's sessions. We've discussed our increased concern regarding social issues affecting women and families in the news today, but all of your ideas are welcome. Email <a href="mailto:womenscircle@uusg.org">womenscircle@uusg.org</a>. New season starting Sept 24!

Please help UUSG meet its obligation to our Food Ministry. The needs are growing. The number of people served by the Soup Kitchen increased recently from 150 to 185. Our neighbors are counting on us. Sign up at uusg.org/Lazarus-house.

**UUSG T-Shirts Now Available!** Come get a t-shirt! We are asking \$20 per shirt as a donation to UUSG. Cost should not be an obstacle, if you're unable to donate please come pick up one as well! We have a range of sizes including youth, unisex and women's. Call or email Christine at <a href="mailto:office@uusg.org">office@uusg.org</a> to arrange a time to stop by the office.