

Social Justice

September 17, 9-12: Help the Hungry by Packing Food. Children ages 8 and up are welcome to volunteer with parent. Sign up at uusg.org/food-bank-signup.

September 22, 9-10 AM: Take lunch items to the Soup Kitchen in Aurora. Sign up at uusg.org/soup-kitchen.

September 29: Voting Begins at office of election authority

October 16: Voters are Invited to a Democracy Party Join us after the service, 11:30-2, for a light pizza lunch. Play a Democracy trivia game. Help Get Out the Vote by writing postcards (all supplies and addresses provided). Learn about issues that depend on the outcome of this fall's election, including the Constitutional Amendment which will be on the ballot.

Election News: *Request a Vote by Mail Ballot in Kane County *Ballots will not be sent until Thursday, September 29, 2022. You may request a vote by mail ballot to be mailed to you. **The last day Kane County Elections can mail you a ballot is 5 days prior to the election.** The ballot needs to be postmarked by election day and must be in the Kane County Elections office within two weeks after the election. kanecountyclerk.org/Elections/Pages/Vote-by-Mail.aspx

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, September 11**
- 12:30 PM Worship Service 10:30 AM
Homecoming Picnic
Wheeler Park Pavilion
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
- Monday, September 12**
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Sacred Text Study Group online
- Tuesday, September 13**
- 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting
- Wednesday, September 14**
- 7:00 PM DEI Team Meeting online
- Thursday, September 15**
- 11:00 AM Simply Sharing Circle online
- Friday, September 16**
- Saturday, September 17**
- 9:00 AM Northern IL Food Bank
- Sunday, September 18**
- 12:00 PM Worship Service 10:30 AM
Veterans Service Planning Meeting
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

Homecoming Sunday

September 11, 2022

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Kathy McFadden

YRUU Worship Associate: Calvin Hruby

Musicians: Dave Hanchette, Tracey McFadden, Andy Montgomery, John Rosenkrans

Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll, Cari Gesiakowski, Doreen Rose Mace, Scot Dotson

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, September 18: Rev. Scot Hull, "Balancing Acts: All Things Are Not Equal" Water Communion

Order of Worship

Prelude

Call to Worship

Introit “Home,” Phil Phillips

Words of Welcome

Words from the UUA Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray

Opening Hymn #347 Gather the Spirit

Lighting the Chalice

Song of Praise

Covenant

Our Doxology

Story for All Ages “The Parable of the Long Spoons”

RUUU? Update Brian Doyle

Habitat for Humanity Update Nancy Christensen

Passing the Peace

Joys and Sorrows #123 “Spirit of Life”

Spirit of Life

Reading

Testimonial Jean Pierce

Offertory “Summer’s End,” John Prine
The BOW Collection for September is the UUSG Food Ministry

Reading

Responsive Music “Home,” G. Love

Sermon “You Are Invited”

Closing Hymn #118 “This Little Light of Mine”

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

Sending Music “Everyday People,” Sly Stone

Community Announcements

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UUSG’s Annual Homecoming Picnic is Today! Come join your UUSG Community at Wheeler Park Pavilion at 12:30 PM for food, fun, music, and games. Fried chicken is provided.

September Beyond Our Walls - Food Ministry: Lazarus House & Soup Kitchen. This month’s BOW Collection will ensure that UUSG can meet its commitments to feed our neighbors, particularly at times of the year such as holidays when our dedicated volunteers have family commitments. The first Saturday of each month volunteers from UUSG provide lunches or dinners, and stay overnight to assist the 300 men, women, and children served by Lazarus House homeless shelter. Another 180 people are fed at the “Sandwich Board,” Aurora’s Soup Kitchen located in the Trinity Episcopal Church. UUSG has a standing commitment to provide water, cookies, and snackbars for lunches. **Please sign up to deliver meals to Lazarus House using uusg.org/Lazarus-house. Please sign up to provide food for the Sandwich Board Soup Kitchen using uusg.org/soup-kitchen.**

Registration for Nursery and K-12 Now Open All children and youth who may attend the nursery (ages 6 months-6 years) or class (K-12), must register at uusg.org/registration. Please register today! Questions? Contact Becky Hruby, dre@uusg.org.

Water Communion September 18 Next week, Rev. Scot plans a “Water Communion.” Please bring a small container of water if you would like to add to our community water bowl.

Women’s Circle: How to Use Nature to Nurture Your Soul Saturday, September 24, 1-4 PM at Healing Gardens, 37W219 Dean St. in St. Charles. Our event will explore how nature “speaks” to us and how we can receive its message to restore and transform our daily lives. Carpooling is encouraged and an early arrival of ten minutes is suggested. Light refreshments and water will be provided. For more information and to sign up, please visit uusg.org/womens-circle. Space is limited, sign up to reserve your spot!

Nursery Caregivers Needed Do you like babies and children? Join our nursery staff and get paid doing what you love! Hours are 10:15-12 on Sundays. Pay is \$26 per shift. Min. age 18. Hiring 2-3 people (2 caregivers work each shift). Please spread the word and contact DRE@uusg.org to inquire.

UUSG Auction 2022 Please mark your calendar for an exciting and entertaining evening! Our UUSG auction is Saturday, November 5! We are in need of “experience” donations – a night at a cottage, teaching bridge or pickleball, for example. Please contact Jenny Montgomery and Molly MacKay Zacker at auction@uusg.org to add your fun event to our auction items!

Support us while you shop! When you do your shopping at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to UUSG! Just visit smile.amazon.com and select "Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva" as the charity.

Inclusion Book Club. Join Lisa Gades & Kimberly Harrison and UUSG members and friends in a monthly exploration of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our meetings are on the third Tuesday of every month at 7pm, and the next date is September 20. On September 20 and October 18, we will discuss The Undocumented Americans, by Karla Cornejo Villavicencio. [More details and Zoom link at uusg.org](#).

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

Social Hour! As the new church year begins, so does our chance to host Social Hour for our congregation. Families, friends, teams, or groups—Anyone is welcome to host! Please limit food to something simple, cookies, small donuts, cheese sticks, maybe a small apple or orange. If anyone needs a refresher on how to operate the coffee machine, just ask Jamie Carroll. It’s super easy! Sign up at uusg.org/hosting.