

Common Room Carpet Fundraiser A Success! The totals are in and we were FLOORED with your donations! Thank you so very much to our generous donors--with your contributions we have now fully covered the cost of the new carpet. The Common Room refresh was a labor of love by our Facilities Team, and having the congregation come together for this last step of raising funds for the carpet was a perfect way to bookend this project. Thank you again for your generous giving, your contributions will be appreciated by all of us for years to come!

In-Person Friday Flicks Resumes October 28, 7 PM.
Inhabitants: Indigenous Perspectives on Restoring Our World
Inhabitants is a feature documentary that follows five Native American Tribes across deserts, coastlines, forests, and prairies as they restore their traditional land management practices. As the climate crisis escalates the time-tested practices of North America's original inhabitants are becoming increasingly essential in a rapidly changing world.

NIFB Please join the fun and volunteer at the Northern IL Food Bank! Pack food and enjoy your Saturday mornings with the group! Kevin Beyer has arranged the following shifts:
October 22, November 12, December 10, all 9 AM-noon.
They can even arrange your transportation! Sign up online. Contact foodbankleader@uusg.org for more info.

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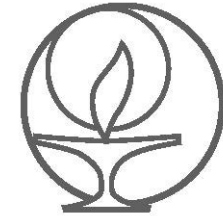
Today & This Week at UUSG

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Our Congregational Administrator, Christine Imielski, will be on vacation October 18-21.

- Sunday, October 16**
- 9:30 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 9:30 AM What Does This MEAN?
 - 11:30 AM UU The Vote Democracy Party
- Monday, October 17**
- 9:00 AM Weekly Worship Team Meeting
 - 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 - 12:00 PM Women's Circle Planning Meeting
 - 1:00 PM UUSG Branding Meeting
 - 3:00 PM Music Rehearsal
- Tuesday, October 18**
- 7:00 PM The Inclusion Book Club -online
- Wednesday, October 19**
- 3:00 PM Heritage Team Meeting
 - 7:00 PM UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group -online
 - 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 - 7:00 PM Facilities Team Meeting
- Thursday, October 20**
- 11:00 AM Simply Sharing Circle -online
- Friday, October 21**
- Saturday, October 22**
- 1:00 PM Women's Circle
- Sunday, October 23**
- 9:30 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 11:30 AM Social Justice Team Meeting

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

October 16, 2022

Soul Matters Theme: Courage

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull
Worship Associate: Melissa Auer
Musicians: Sandra Anderson, piano; Tom Zimmerman, guitar; UUSG Choir led by Cynthia Spiegel
K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Kimberly Harrison
3-5: Katie Yurkewicz, Kerry Sapet
6-8: Kim McDuffee, Anthony Mistretta
9-12: Ashley Peterson, Jaime Andersen
Sunday Coordinator: Becky Hruby
Technical Directors: Jeff Stibal, Jamie Carroll, Scot Dotson, Cari Gesiakowski, Gina Grupe, Doreen Rose Mace

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, October 23: Rev. Scot Hull, "Won't You Guess My Name?"

Sunday, October 30: Rev. Scot Hull, "What About Evil?"

Order of Worship

Prelude “In the Morning Light,” Yanni

Call to Worship

Introit “Sonata: Allegro maestoso,” Domenico Scarlatti

Welcoming Words

Opening Hymn #1015 “I Know I Can Go On”

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

For All Ages

Passing the Peace

Offertory “Proud Mary,” John Fogerty

Reading

Responsive “Courage Calls to Courage,” Emily Crocker, text
based on writings of Suffragettes

Sermon “Democracy is not a Spectator Sport”

Closing Hymn “Lift Up Your Voice” (call and response)

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

Sending Music “How Can I Keep from Singing?” Greg
Gilpin, text Robert Lowry

Community Announcements

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Today: 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).

UUSG Auction - Celebrating the 60's & 70's. Saturday,
November 5, at 6pm. We have some amazingly groovy
experiences for our upcoming auction!! It will be a fabulous
night filled with food, beverages, music, skits and the chance
to bid and WIN many fun events! Visit uusg.org/auction –
filled with all the info you need to join us. PLEASE plan to join
us and RSVP ASAP! Catalog will be sent out Tomorrow!!

October BOW is the Humanitarian Service Project. The
mission of HSP is to alleviate the pain and suffering that
poverty brings to seniors and children in DuPage and Kane
Counties, without discrimination or exclusion for any reason.
HSP's Senior Citizen Project helps to ensure that basic needs
are met for low-income seniors. Funds raised this month will
be used to purchase hygiene products that will be
assembled in gift bags for seniors during the Week of Service
in spring. Please give generously uusg.org/donate.

The 2021-2022 Annual Report is now available at
uusg.org/annual-report.

Women's Circle "Women's Voices: Let's Be Heard" What is
your most important voting issue this season--voting rights,
the environment, women's reproductive health, all of the
above? Join us in the Common Room or via Zoom October
22, 1-4 PM, as our next event features a panel discussion
guided by members and friends active in several different
organizations that look at these issues. Watch a promo video
and sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle.

UUSG Circle Suppers 2023! Circle Suppers involve
revolving groupings of participants who take turns hosting or
providing a part of the meal for each of four monthly suppers,
which are held in January, February, March, & April. This is a
great opportunity to meet UUSG Members & Friends that you
may not know! Details and sign up at uusg.org/circle-suppers.
Contact Mary Swanson at circlesuppers@uusg.org with
questions. Deadline to sign up is November 30.

Inclusion Book Club Join Lisa Gades & Kimberly Harrison
and UUSG members and friends in a monthly exploration of
diversity, equity, and inclusion. The next meeting is **October
18 at 7 PM**. We will discuss “The Undocumented Americans,”
by Karla Cornejo Villavicencio. [More details and Zoom link at
uusg.org](#).

Join us for Halloween movie night on Saturday, Oct. 29.
Parents welcome to stay or drop off. We will enjoy a night of
Halloween fun on the big screen in the UUSG sanctuary.
Send something cozy for your kiddos to curl up on with
friends. Our night will begin geared toward our younger
friends (but all are welcome) with:
6:30 PM - *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*
7:00 PM - Tim Burton's *The Nightmare Before Christmas*
8:30 PM - And, for the teens...*Beetlejuice*. RSVP to Becky
at dre@uusg.org.

What Is Theosophy, and Who Is Helena Blavatsky?

Presented by UUSG Member Linda Dorr. Sunday, Nov. 6 at
12:30pm in the Common Room. In a nutshell, Theosophy
could be described as “peace, love, unity, and the study of
consciousness.” This talk will expand on that general
definition. Helena Blavatsky, co-founder of the Theosophical
Society, is a bit harder to characterize. Labeled and much
abused in her day, she infuriated many of the mainstream
religious, scientific, and political figures of the time. All are
welcome to this thought-provoking presentation!

Indigenous Americans Conversation Series Across three
evenings in November, the DEI Ministry Team will host a
series of conversations to consider the effects of white
supremacy/colonialism on Native American culture and the
Earth. Each evening explores a different topic. Reading
materials and resources will be provided in advance. We will
meet on Zoom on Thursday November 3, 10, & 17 at 7:00 PM.
Sign up at uusg.org/dei-series. For more information, contact
Terry Shouba at tkshouba@gmail.com.

Buddhist Meditation Group Please join us Sundays, 6-7
PM, in the UUSG Common Room, for guided meditation and
Dhamma Talk with leaders from the Blue Lotus Temple.
Please note: **There will no meditation October 16 & 23.**