

**Thanks!** The Social Justice Team appreciates the contributions of the following volunteers who donated food to the Aurora "Sandwich Board" Soup Kitchen in October: Larry Escalona, Kathy and Tracey McFadden, Carol Myers, Terry Shouba, and Sherry Wilson.

**Steeple Walk** One ticket, four churches, and four incredible concerts! Sunday, Dec. 4, 2-4:30 PM. Tickets will be available through Gail Tattersfield or Chris Newman in early Nov. After Nov. 13 at the Chamber of Commerce, the City office or PayPal.

**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: **November 12, December 10, all 9 AM-noon.** They can even arrange your transportation! Sign up online. Contact [foodbankleader@uusg.org](mailto:foodbankleader@uusg.org) for more info.

**Second Sunday Sack Lunch** Starting January 8, on the **Second Sunday** of each month you can casually lunch with your UUSG friends after the service (**11:30-12:30**). Just pack yourself a sack lunch and join us for unstructured conversation and fun! A great way to get better connected with your congregation!!!

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## Today & This Week at UUSG

[uusg.org/calendar](http://uusg.org/calendar)

### Sunday, November 6

- 9:00 AM Styrofoam Sunday
- 9:30 AM CommUnity Connections
- 9:30 AM Finance Team Meeting
- 9:30 AM Religious Education
- 12:30 PM OWL Parent Orientation Meeting
- 12:30 PM "What is Theosophy?"
- 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

### Monday, November 7

- 9:00 AM Weekly Worship Team Meeting
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 11:30 AM Women's Circle Planning Meeting
- 7:30 PM Technology Team Meeting -online

### Tuesday, November 8

- 7:00 PM Board of Directors

### Wednesday, November 9

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM DEI Team Meeting -online

### Thursday, November 10

- 7:00 PM Indigenous American Conversation Series -online

### Friday, November 11

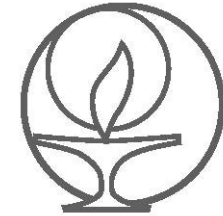
### Saturday, November 12

### Sunday, November 13

- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 9:30 AM Veteran's Thank You Cards
- 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

**Have you heard the news?** UUSG's brand-new Marketing Committee is up and running! Our talented group is ready to put out the good word about our church to attract new visitors who may someday become new members. We've got lots of new ideas in the works, but we also need a little help from UUSG's members and friends. Read about how to help in the Weekly Email. Questions? [marketing@uusg.org](mailto:marketing@uusg.org).

# Welcome to This House!



## Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

**November 6, 2022**

Soul Matters Theme: Change

### Today's Worship Team

**In the Pulpit:** Rev. Scot Hull

**Worship Associate:** Pat Vary

**Musicians:** Sandra Anderson, the UUSG Choir, led by Cynthia Spiegel

**K-2:** Kimberly Harrison, Aaron Miller

**3-5:** Kerry Sapet, Katie Yurkewicz

**6-8:** Jenny Montgomery, Anthony Mistretta

**9-12:** Ashley Peterson, Jennifer Klein

**Sunday Coordinator:** Becky Hruby

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

### Upcoming Services:

**Sunday, November 13:** Annual Veterans Service

**Sunday, November 20:** Guest-in-the-Pulpit, Julia Jones

## Order of Worship

**Prelude** “Peace of the Woods,” Edvard Grieg

### Call to Worship

**Introit** “A Dedication,” Lea Morris

### Welcoming Words

**Opening Hymn** # 6 “Just as Long as I Have Breath”

### 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** “Duck for President,” Doreen Cronin,  
illustrator Betsy Lewin

### Passing the Peace

### Joys & Sorrows

**Hymn** #123 “Spirit of Life”

**Offertory** “When the Spirit Says Do,” Spiritual, Civil Rights  
Period, arr. Mark Freundt

### Reading

**Responsive** “Roll Down, Justice!” Mark A. Miller

**Sermon** “Principles and Democracy”

**Closing Hymn** #1024 “When the Spirit Says Do”

### Chalice Extinguishing

### Benediction

**Sending Music** “Be the Change,” words adapted from  
Gandhi, music Marc Kaplan & Colin Britt

### Community Announcements

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**Our November BOW** offering will again go to **Veterans Path to Hope**. Veterans from WWII up to our present conflicts have successfully participated in Veterans Path to Hope services and have found employment, reconnected with their communities, and rejoined their families. Their programs are staffed by veterans and veteran-friendly individuals who have knowledge of the challenges that face veterans and demonstrate an individualized approach to each concern. This organization has transformed lives through its work with veterans in our part of Illinois.

**Today! 12:30 in the Common Room, “What is Theosophy, and Who is Helena Blavatsky?”** In a nutshell, Theosophy could be described as “peace, love, unity, and the study of consciousness.” This talk will expand on that general definition. All are welcome to this thought-provoking presentation! Presented by UUSG Member Linda Dorr.

**In Honor of Veteran's Day**, please join our youth for a social justice endeavor at 9:30 am on Sunday, **November 13**. In lieu of RE classes this day, our kids will be making pictures and writing letters of thanks to give to Veterans. Our letters and pictures of gratitude will be shared with homeless Veterans in a transitional living program, Veterans Path to Hope, in Hebron, IL. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to unite and work together. If you are unable to make it at 9:30, you may partake in this opportunity during social hour, after the church service.

**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. Details and sign up at [uusg.org/circle-suppers](https://uusg.org/circle-suppers). Contact Mary Swanson at [circlesuppers@uusg.org](mailto:circlesuppers@uusg.org) with questions. Deadline to sign up is **November 30**.

**Thanksgiving Pie & Fellowship** Rev. Scot is preaching at the Geneva Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 20, at 6 PM. There will be loads of pie! Details at [uusg.org](https://uusg.org).

**Adopt-a-Plot Weeding Ministry** would like to thank the following people for their dedication to maintaining our property this year: Jan Miller, Kathy Meier, Linda O'Neill, Marilyn Hebda, Llona Steele, Terry Shouba, Kurt Heinz, Pat McGleam, Ro Maziarz, Chris and Bill Newman, Carol Myers, Renee Tomell, Becky and Sean Hruby, Tom Zimmerman, Diane Gallentine, Glenda Peck, and Melissa Auer. And a very special thank you to Karen Laukaitis for leading this ministry!

**Inclusion Book Club** Join Lisa Gades & Kimberly Harrison and UUSG members and friends in a monthly exploration of diversity, equity, and inclusion. On November 15, and December 20, we will discuss *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

**Indigenous Americans Conversation Series** In our ongoing search for truth, the DEI Ministry Team will host a series of conversations about Native Americans in November. Conversation will be based on a resource provided prior to each meeting. The series will continue via Zoom on **Thursday November 10, and 17 at 7:00 PM**. Sign up at [uusg.org/dei-series](https://uusg.org/dei-series). For more information, contact Terry Shouba at [tkshouba@gmail.com](mailto:tkshouba@gmail.com).

**November Women's Circle:** “Burnout: How to Break The Stress Cycle” Saturday, November 19, 1-4 PM, in the Common Room and via Zoom. Join us for a discussion of the book “Burnout.” Julia Friesen and Kathy Dameron will help us understand how this book can help any woman who has felt overwhelmed and exhausted by everything she had to do, and yet still worried she was not doing “enough.” Sign up at [uusg.org/womens-circle](https://uusg.org/womens-circle).

**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 register prior to 4 PM each Sunday, so we have an idea of how many individuals will be present at each meditation session. There is no cost to attend, but donations are graciously appreciated. The link to register is in the weekly email and on our website.