Buddhist Meditation, Sundays, 6-7 PM Monks from the Blue Lotus Buddhist Temple lead visitors and guests through an hour of meditation and spiritual discussion. All levels of experience are welcome! No cost; donations appreciated.

Friday Flick March 24 at 7pm: On Being Part of Nature. This month's Friday Flick will feature an interview with Dr. David Suzuki, the most respected and powerful figure in Canadian environmentalism. This broadcaster and activist has 52 books and decades of TV and radio service to his credit. We will be part of an important discussion on philosophy, humanity, and prospects for our survival.

Pub Theology, April 13, at 7 PM, Sturdy Shelter Brewing. Join Rev. Scot and Pastor Stephanie of Fox Valley Presbyterian Church for a cross-denominational Pub Theology group! <u>uusg.org/pub-theology</u>

Oneness Drum Circle April 2, 2-4 PM Drums are among the earth's oldest musical instruments and seem to have had a place in every ancient culture. This Drum Circle led by Gina Grupe-Stibal is uniquely designed for all ages to participate in creating rhythmic flows of music (vibrational energy) coming together as ONE. Be prepared to have fun and move around!

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Today & This Week at UUSG

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Sunday, March 19		Worship Service 10:30 AM
•	9:30 AM	What Does This MEAN?
•	9:30 AM	K-12 Religious Education
•	10:30 AM	5-6 OWL Class
•	2:00 PM	Fox River Trail Clean Up
	6:00 PM	Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
Monday, March 20		
•	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting
•	2:00 PM	Weekly Worship Meeting
Tuesday, March 21		
Wednesday, March 22		
•	11:30 AM	It's Just Lunch
•	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, March 23		
•	6:30 PM	The Shared Pulpit:
		How to Give a Sermon
Friday, March 24		
•	7:00 PM	Friday Flicks
Saturday, March 25		
•	9:00 AM	Mutual Ground
•	1:00 PM	Women's Circle
Sunday, March 26		Worship Service 10:30 AM
•	9:30 AM	Social Justice Sunday: Peace Rocks
•	11:45 AM	ERT Team Meeting
•	11:45 AM	Social Justice Team Meeting
•	6:00 PM	Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Memorial Stones Remember a loved one with a carved stone in our Memorial Garden, please email or drop off a completed order form (tinyurl.com/ko46op8) to Christine at office@uusg.org, by April 16. The Memorial Garden Dedication Service will be held May 28, following our Worship Service.

Many Paths • One Church

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

March 19, 2023

Soul Matters Theme: Vulnerability

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull Worship Associate: Deb Brod

Musicians: John Rosenkrans, piano and double bass;

Kerena Fox, cello

RE: K-2: Aaron Miller, Cindy Duckworth 3-5: Katie Yurkewicz, Kerry Sapet 6-8: Vickie Kilgore, Rachel Harbold 9-12: Jaime Andersen, Ashley Peterson **Sunday Coordinator:** Becky Hruby

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

Pickett

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, March 26: Guest Speaker, Rev. Karen Mooney

Sunday, April 2: Guest Speaker, Rev. Linda Slabon

Order of Worship

Welcoming Words

Introit Rachmaninoff - Vocalise

Testimonial Helenna & Sarah Clark

Opening Hymn "What Is This Church?" words Eugene Sander, music Jean Sibelius

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant

Doxology

Passing the Peace

Testimonial Steve & Emily Clark

For All Ages "What Would You Do?" Erika Hewitt

Offertory Rossini - Duet for Cello and Double Bass

Reading

Responsive Fauré - Après un rêve

Sermon

Hymn "Faith of the Larger Liberty"

Chalice Extinguishing

Sending Berryman - A Sky Full of Stars

Benediction

Announcements

Welcome Home! On March 12, Wendy Bigler, Tom Durkin, Carol Farugia, Aaron Miller, and Bryan Pierard signed "The Book" and became official members of UUSG.

Investing in a Brighter Future: Pledge Drive 2023-2024

The Pledge Drive is in full swing! During the pledge drive you will be contacted by one of our pledge drive team members who will get in touch with you to talk about UUSG in your life, to share stories, joys and concerns, and to encourage you to consider how you will support our ongoing work of "promoting practical goodness in the world and of aiding each other in our moral and religious improvement." We are looking forward to a successful pledge drive, and we can't wait to talk with you! Thanks in advance for putting your caring commitment to UUSG at the top of your to-do list. Your generous, thoughtful participation is the most important ingredient for our success! Learn more at uusg.org/pledge-drive.

Welcoming Visitors Training Ever wonder what to say to someone in the Common Room when you're not sure if they are visitors or visitors newer than you? Join us on Saturday, April 1, 12:30-1:30pm, as Rev. Scot offers a training session on how to improve our ability to welcome visitors.

This Week! UUSG's Annual Week of Service Join members and friends as we go out into our comUUnity and do some good. We have a variety of activities planned through March 26. Volunteer opportunities include cleaning up a river trail, sewing bags for The Period Collective, donating items for local children, women, and families in need, painting kindness rocks, and more. Check out uusg.org/week-of-service to learn more and to sign up today!

"We Don't Have A Garage" Sale - April 27-29! Here's what you can do to help: 1. Start sorting and putting aside those items that you would like to donate. 2. Collect grocery bags for use during checkout 3. Contact Molly & Jenny about pickups for large items. 4. Sign up to help at the sale at uusg.org/garage-sale. Many additional details in the Weekly Email! Questions? Contact jenny@andymontgomery.com or molly.zacker@mackayco.com.

It's Just Lunch! Please join UUSG women members and friends for lunch, fellowship, and conversation in the Common Room at 11:30am on the fourth Wednesday of each month-our next date is **March 22**. Bring your own lunch, beverage, and a dessert to share if you would like. We look forward to having you join in and enjoy each other's company! Please register at <u>uusg.org/lunch</u>.

Worship Advisory Committee - Feedback Welcome!

The newly formed WAC needs your feedback regarding our Worship Services. Do you have ideas for sermon topics, guest speakers, or themes? Is there something new you'd like us to consider adding to our worship service or something we should consider omitting? Email wac@uusg.org, or feel free to speak with anyone on the committee: Rhonda Robinson, Julia Friesen, Deb Brod, Linda Dorr, and Kathy McFadden.

The March "Beyond Our Walls" is 'Fox Valley Hands of Hope' which provides compassionate guidance and support to those in the Fox Valley area who are grieving. At no cost to clients, FVHH provides individual grief counseling for children and adults, as well as family counseling, and support groups. In addition, they work with local school groups to bring grief support groups directly to schools.

Spring is here and we have ants! Let's keep our UUSG kitchen clean--please do not leave dirty dishes in the sink. For large gatherings, dishes must be fully cleaned before running the sanitizer. Only a few dishes? Wash thoroughly, dry, and put away in cabinets. Thanks!

Women's Circle "What Does Feminism Mean to You" March 25, 1-4pm in the Sanctuary & Zoom. Join WC in a session led by Kimberly Harrison and Lisa Gades, for an exploration of what Feminism has to offer us today. As we join in the uprising by women and their allies regarding reproductive rights, now is a perfect time to listen anew to the perspectives of BIPOC women who have historically felt left out of the feminist movement. We'll be guided by the work of experts to discuss how our various identities lead to different needs and Feminist agendas. Details in the weekly email. Sign up at uusg.org/womens-circle.