

UUSG Scavenger Hunt Do you like riddles and puzzles? Are you great at finding hidden things? Join us for a fun scavenger hunt at (and around) UUSG on **Sunday, October 8, 11:30am-1pm**. We will start all together in the Common Room before heading out on our mission to complete the scavenger hunt. This will be fun for all ages!! You can choose to complete the hunt on your own or with a partner or group! Scavenging is hard work - light refreshments will be served! RSVP at uusg.org/scavenger-hunt. Questions? Contact Lily at membership@uusg.org.

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. Registration link is in the weekly email, but drop-ins are welcome.

Our Next Destination Fundraiser - McAllister's Deli Monday, October 16, 10:30am-9pm. Our next event is on Augustus Conant's birthday, at McAllister's Deli in Geneva (1492 S Randall Rd). Dine in, carryout for lunch or dinner...proceeds will benefit our church. *Note you have to put your RECEIPT in the jar at the checkout in order to get your meal to count towards UUSG!

Honorary Tech Team for a Day Want to see the behind-the-scenes magic during a Sunday service? Be our Tech Guest and see first hand how we pull everything together for our live/hybrid integrated services. We have a special seat reserved just for YOU! Due to space limitations, we can only have 1 person sign-up per service. Sign-up for your chosen Sunday at uusg.org/tech-team.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, October 1** Worship Service 10:00 AM
- 9:00 AM Styrofoam Sunday
 - 10:00 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
- Monday, October 2**
- 11:00 AM Women's Circle Planning Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Technology Team Meeting
- Tuesday, October 3**
- 9:00 AM Worship Meeting
 - 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Council Meeting *online*
- Wednesday, October 4**
- 3:00 PM Heritage Team Meeting
 - 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 - 7:00 PM UU Buddhist Group *online*

Thursday, October 5

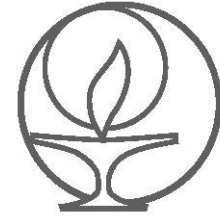
- Friday, October 6** Lazarus House Food Ministry *off-site*
- 7:00 PM Pride Progress

- Saturday, October 7** Lazarus House Food Ministry *off-site*
- 2:30 PM Music Rehearsal

- Sunday, October 8** Worship Service 10:00 AM
- 10:00 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 11:30 AM UUSG Scavenger Hunt
 - 2:00 PM Oneness Drum Circle
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Lazarus House: We have an **urgent need** for volunteers for our October 7 commitment to Lazarus House homeless center in St. Charles. No one has signed up yet to make sack lunches or cook dinner. Will you be the one to answer the call? uusg.org/lazarus-house.

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

October 1, 2023

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Rev. Scot Hull

Worship Associate: Linda Dorr

Musicians: Bonnie Brewster, piano; Cynthia Spiegel

K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Christine Herring

3-5: Katie Yurkewicz, Vickie Kilgore

6-8: Jenny Montgomery, Anthony Mistretta

9-12: Ashley Peterson, Jaime Andersen

Technical Team: Jeff Stibal, Director; Cari Gesiakowski, Jamie Carroll, Doreen Rose Mace, Scott Dotson, Gina Grupe-Stibal, Caroline Pickett, Ashley Peterson

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, October 8: Guest Speaker, Rev. R Ken Turner, "Inside Out"

Sunday, October 15: Rev. Scot Hull, "Six Feet Over"

Order of Worship

Prelude

Ring the Bell

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn #363 "Alleluia! Sang Stars"

Welcoming Words

Song of Praise

Covenant

Doxology

Passing the Peace

Story for All Ages "The Darkest Dark," Chris Hadfield

Water and Stone Ceremony

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory "Autumn Song- October," Tchaikovsky

Words of Thanks

Antiphonal Reading

Responsive "Mother Earth, Sister Moon," from *Desert Suite*, Carol Klose

Sermon "The Curious Case of Betty and Barney Hill"

Closing Hymn #1064 "Blue Boat Home"

Benediction

Announcements

Sacred Sounds Free Drum Circle Oct 8, 2-4pm in Sanctuary. Open to all ages interested in playing with a variety of musical instruments to find those meditative rhythms of personal connection and peace. Bring your own drums or try out ours. No musical experience necessary. Contact Gina Grupe-Stibal at drumcircle@uusg.org if you have any questions.

UUSG 2023-2024 Member and Friends Directory! You should have recently received an email with our draft directory entries. Please review your entry and let Christine Imielski at office@uusg.org know if any **updates are needed by Friday, October 13**. If you'd like to be included in the upcoming directory, please send your name, contact information, and a photo to Christine.

UU/UUSG History Class - October 15, 12-2pm. Join us for a class on the history of Unitarian Universalism and of UUSG. We recommend taking this class before taking the membership class. Lunch and childcare are provided. Sign up at uusg.org/explore or at the Welcome Center in the Common Room.

Women's Circle Theosophical Society, **Saturday, Oct. 21, 12:30-3:30pm.** Join us on the quest for enlightenment as we field trip to the Theosophical Society in Wheaton! We will enjoy a guided tour of the building and grounds. Tap into your mystical roots with stories of the women who pioneered the theosophical movement. For more details and to sign up visit uusg.org/womens-circle.

UUSG's DEI Team is seeking new members! Join us in our efforts to educate ourselves and work to create a more inclusive community both within our walls and beyond. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm on Zoom. Contact deileader@uusg.org for more information.

Join us Oct. 22 for a pumpkin decorating party, 11:30-12:30 in the Common Room. Bring a pumpkin or decorate a provided pumpkin to donate. Local senior living residents will be given festive pumpkins for the social justice portion of this event. Kids in K-12 may decorate two pumpkins...one to give and one to keep.

Exploring Membership Class October 29, 12-2pm. A two-hour class for those who are interested in becoming official members of UUSG. Lunch and childcare & provided. Sign up at uusg.org/explore or in the Common Room.

CPR at UUSG The ERT Team invites us to attend a free CPR course sponsored by the Kane County Health Dept. on Saturday, **November 4, 1-5pm**, in the Common Room. This course covers Adult, Child, and Infant CPR, AED use, Choking, and the use of Narcan. Attendees **MUST** register at uusg.org/cpr, the Dept. does not take unregistered walk-ins. Questions? Contact Jason Sapet at ertleader@uusg.org.

Veterans Day Service If you would like photographs of veterans in your family (including ancestors) presented before & after the November 12 Veterans Day service, please **send photos with captions to Jeff Stibal by November 9**. Let Jeff know if you would like to make changes to past displays.

Inclusion Book Club In October, we will discuss *The Savvy Ally: A Guide for Becoming a Skilled LGBTQ+ Advocate* (Second Edition) by Jeannie Gainsburg. The book takes a relaxed, positive approach in pointing out actions we can all take to signal our support to LGBTQIA+ people. Please join us as we meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm on Zoom. More info? inclusionbookclubleader@uusg.org

October BOW- Humanitarian Service Project HSP's Senior Citizen Project helps ensure that basic needs are met for low-income seniors, while HSP's Children's Project provides food, school supplies, and birthday party kits to children and low-income families. Funds will be used to purchase products for kits assembled during the Week of Service in spring. Please give generously: uusg.org/donate.

Northern Illinois Food Bank Group UUSG provides a lively group of volunteers to NIFB on the second Saturday of each month from 9am to noon. Our next date is October 14. Sign up at uusg.org/food-bank-signup

Change for a Change Jar: Collecting for Cal's Angels A local charity serving pediatric cancer patients with a 4-star Charity Navigator rating. Money collected in the Change for a Change jar in the sanctuary will provide hospital parties and comfort kits for patients.