

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.

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 always welcome.

Social Justice Thank Yous! September supporters of the Trinity Sandwich Board: Anne Wilson-Dooley, Sharon Hansen, Sherry Wilson & Laz Escalona, Sherri Casterline, Lisa Gades & Kevin Beyer. October supporters of Lazarus House: Gail Tattersfield, Mary Swanson, Carol Myers, Jenny Montgomery, and Nancy Christiansen.

Help for Hungry Neighbors Please sign up for our upcoming commitments to local organizations addressing hunger: [Trinity Sandwich Board](#): **October 26**, need 2 volunteers to provide water or snack bars. [Lazarus House](#): **November 4**, need volunteers to provide dinner or sack lunches. [Northern Illinois Food Bank](#): **November 11**, 9am to noon, need volunteers to pack food for distribution to area food pantries.

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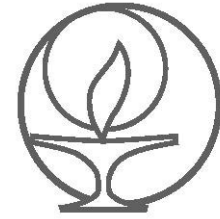
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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

- Sunday, October 22** Worship Service 10:00 AM
- 10:00 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 11:30 AM Social Justice Team Meeting
 - 11:45 AM Pumpkin Decorating
 - 12:30 PM Hospitality Team Meeting
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation
- Monday, October 23** **Pioneer Newsletter Deadline**
- 11:00 AM Women's Circle Planning Meeting
- Tuesday, October 24**
- 9:00 AM Worship Meeting
 - 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 - 7:00 PM The Inclusion Book Club *online*
- Wednesday, October 25**
- 11:30 AM It's Just Lunch *off-site*
- Thursday, October 26**
- 9:00 AM Soup Kitchen *off-site*
 - 6:30 PM Pub Theology *off-site*
- Friday, October 27**
- 10:00 AM UUSG Band Rehearsal
 - 12:00 PM Geezer's Group *off-site*
 - 6:30 PM Halloween Movie Night
- Saturday, October 28**
- 10:00 AM UUSG Band Rehearsal
- Sunday, October 29** Worship Service 10:00 AM
- 10:00 AM K-12 Religious Education
 - 11:30 AM Veterans' Planning Meeting
 - 12:00 PM Exploring Membership Class
 - 6:00 PM Blue Lotus Buddhist Meditation

Welcome to This House!



Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva

October 22, 2023

Today's Worship Team

In the Pulpit: Kathy McFadden

Worship Associate: Deb Brod

Musicians: Kristin McFadden, Tracey McFadden, & Cynthia Spiegel

K-2: Amanda Slaiher, Meredith Vandre

3-5: Gary Littlefield, Ro Maziarz

6-8: Kerry Sapet, Jenny Montgomery

9-12: Ashley Peterson, Aaron Miller

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 29: Rev. Scot Hull, Halloween Celebration! Costumes Welcome for Young & Old(er)

Sunday, November 5: Rev. Scot Hull, "A Demon Haunted World"

Order of Worship

Prelude “Living in the Moment” Jason Mraz

Ringling of the Church Bell

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn #1009 “Meditation on Breathing” by Sarah Dan Jones

Welcoming Words

Opening Music “Closer to Fine” by Indigo Girls

Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise

Covenant

Doxology

Passing the Peace

For All Ages “Today I Feel Silly” by Jamie Lee Curtis

“Go Now in Peace” *Children and adult leaders leave for religious education*

First Reading “The Guest House” by Rumi, translation by Coleman Barks

Second Reading “The Journey” by Mary Oliver

Offertory Music “One More Day” by The Wood Brothers

Words of Thanks

Sermon “A Healing Journey to Peace and Joy”

Music “Happy Baby” by Kristin McFadden

Chalice Extinguishing

Benediction

Sending Music “I Can See Clearly Now,” by Johnny Nash

Announcements

Join us today, for a pumpkin decorating party, 11:30am-12:30pm. Local senior living residents will be given festive pumpkins for the social justice portion of this event.

Inclusion Book Club In October, we will discuss *The Savvy Ally: A Guide for Becoming a Skilled LGBTQ+ Advocate* (Second Edition) by Jeannie Gainsburg. Please join us as we meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month, **(10/24)** at 7:00pm on Zoom. More info? inclusionbookclub@uusg.org.

Pub Theology Thurs. **October 26**, 6:30-8:30pm, at Sturdy Shelter Brewing. Join Rev. Scot and local clergy for our next meeting! We aim to dive deeply into topics involving faith, meaning, identity, culture, and more. Engage with people of varying religious traditions, philosophical perspectives, and life experiences. RSVP at uusg.org/pub-theology.

Halloween movie night: Youth in grades K-8 are invited to join us for a movie, popcorn, candy and fun in the sanctuary on **Friday October 27**, 6:30-8pm. Bring something cozy to settle in and make yourself comfy!

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**. This course covers Adult, Child, and Infant CPR, AED use, Choking, and the use of Narcan. Attendees **MUST** register at uusg.org/cpr. Questions? Contact Jason Sapet at ertleader@uusg.org.

This year at the Veterans Day service on November 12, we will once again present a rolling display of photographs of veterans and/or active-duty service members and friends of UUSG (including ancestors). Please send photos with captions indicating the name, relationship to you, your name, and date, to Jeff Stibal at techdirector@uusg.org by **November 9**.

Our Newest Member! On October 15, we welcomed our newest member, Kelly Smith, who signed "The Book." Welcome Home!

Adopt-a-Plot would like to thank the following people for their tireless support this year: Marilyn Hebda, Jan Miller, Kathy Meier, Linda O'Neill, Renee Tomell, Llona Steele, Terry Shouba, Kurt Heinz, Ro Maziarz, Karen Laukaitis, Chris and Bill Newman, Carol Farugia, Carol Myers, Sean Hruby, Winelle Glaser, Tom Zimmerman, Diane Gallentine, Glenda Peck, and Melissa Auer. Thanks for helping to keep our church grounds beautiful!

FriendsGiving Dinner at UUSG! November 10, 6-8:30pm in the Common Room. Bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish to share and let's enjoy a meal together! Turkey will be provided, as well as beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages. All ages are welcome to attend, we will have crafts/coloring pages provided for our younger friends! Please RSVP to this event no later than **November 3**, at uusg.org/friendsgiving. For questions, please contact Lily at membership@uusg.org. When RSVPing, please indicate what dish you will bring and if you're able to help with setup or clean up.

Join us on November 18 for a workshop with Jeannie Gainsburg, author of *The Savvy Ally: A Guide for Becoming a Skilled LGBTQ+ Advocate*. She will be speaking about gender fluidity, pronouns, and heterosexist language. Jeannie will be joining us remotely. Participants can attend in-person in the Common Room or online via Zoom. The Common Room opens at 4:00 pm. Jeannie's workshop will run 5:00-6:00 pm. Stay for a light dinner, desserts, and discussion. Please sign up at uusg.org/savvyally by **November 13**. For more information, contact deileader@uusg.org. Please see Sunday email for a link to view videos and more!

UUSG Circle Suppers 2024! 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-signup. Contact Mary Swanson at circlesuppers@uusg.org with questions. Deadline to sign up is **November 30**.