

This month's Friday Flick consists of 3 short documentaries describing the history, present conditions, and efforts to serve the Oglala Lakota people on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Common Room, May 26 at 7pm.

Mental Health Ministry's Life Span Series: Stages of Faith, Part 2 - Join us June 4, at 12pm in the Common Room as we continue this discussion led by Tom Schevers, PhD. Understanding these stages can help clarify intrapersonal and interpersonal conflicts, confusion, breakthroughs, and enlightenments.

Get Involved With Interweave Interweave is a local group of LGBTQ members, friends and allies who meet for discussions and special events. We will not meet in May but will have our annual Pride Picnic at Island Park at 11:30am on Sunday June 4. For information please contact Lynn Steele at interweave.leader@uusg.org.

Join the women of UUSG (members and friends) for lunch and community building! Luncheonettes meet on May 24, 11:30am-1:00pm. Andre's Restaurant, 5 Webster, Batavia (on Route 25 just south of Wilson St.). RSVP by Tuesday, May 22, on the [UUSG website](#). Any questions, luncheonettes@uusg.org.

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Today & This Week at UUSG

uusg.org/calendar

Sunday, May 14

- 11:00 am Green Sanctuary Team Meeting
- 11:15 am Big Ideas Covenant Group

Monday, May 15

- 7:00 pm Bible Study to UUs Group

Tuesday, May 16

- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 5:30 pm Youth Outlook Tour (private event)

Wednesday, May 17

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm UU Buddhism Meditation & Study Group

Thursday, May 18

- 9:30 am Simply Sharing Circle
- 7:15 pm WomenSpiritRising

Friday, May 19

Saturday, May 20

- 7:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

Welcome to This House!



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Today's Worship Team

Worship Associates: Steve Zrebiec, Gail Tattersfield
Musician: Geoff Pynn
Hosts: The MOM Team
Counter: David de Coriolis, Jamie Carroll
Nursery Caregivers: Sean Hruby, Trish Caliendo, Kerry Sapet

Upcoming Services

May 21: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates
May 28: the Rev. Dr. Lindsay Bates

Come as you are.

Order of Worship

Ingathering Music

Ringling of the Church Bell

Call to Worship

Song of Community # 63 “Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers”

Welcome & Congregational Greetings

Enter into Shared Silence at the Sound of the Rin Gong

Prelude & Chalice Lighting

Song of Praise (see words in gray hymnal)

Our Covenant (see words in gray hymnal)

Doxology (see words in gray hymnal)

Beyond Our Walls Presentation Jennifer Du Bose, Mary Swanson

Offering

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Meditation

Responsive Music

The Story of Mothers’ Day by Betsy Hill Williams

Earthdance by Joanne Ryder

Hymn # 91 “Mother of All”

Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney

The Flower Communion

Unison Blessing of the Flowers the Rev. Dr. Norbert Chapek

Infinite Spirit of Life,

we ask thy blessing on these,

thy messengers of fellowship and love.

May they remind us,

amid all diversities of knowledge and of gifts,

to be one in desire and affection and devotion

to thy holy will.

May they also remind us

of the value of community and companionship,

of doing and sharing alike.

May we cherish friendship

as one of life’s most precious gifts.

May we not let awareness of another’s talents discourage us,

but may we

instead realize that whatever we can do,

be it great or small,

the efforts of all of us are needed

to do thy work in this world. Amen.

Communion Song # 78 “Color and Fragrance”

Closing Words

Unison Benediction # 434 (Anonymous)

Postlude

Extinguishing the Chalice

Announcements

Please join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 21, at 12:30pm in the Sanctuary. All friends and Members of our Society are encouraged to attend. We particularly request all Voting Members to be present such that we have a quorum. (Voting members, please RSVP at uusg.org/annual-meeting-sign-up). The Proposed slate of candidates for the 2017-2018 Board of Directors and Nominating Committee are available at uusg.org/2017-2018-slate. The Board looks forward to sharing details with you with the intention that you join us in understanding our status today, our direction for tomorrow, and how together we can continue to achieve great things. See you all on May 21!

Thank you, MOM Team, for our Social Hour this morning. We are grateful to the Board of Directors for offering to host next week! We appreciate all of our Social Hour helpers!

The 175th Anniversary Committee cordially invites you to an updated version of an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social! Join us in the Common Room on Sunday, May 21 at 2:30pm for an ice cream sundae bar with a variety of toppings. Weather permitting, we will wander our grounds on a beautiful afternoon (you guessed it, no ice cream in the Sanctuary). You probably know that the financing of our building was provided by UU congregants in New England who held ice cream socials to raise money for our fledgling pioneer church. We are inviting the public and will be welcoming everyone to the Sanctuary in 1842 style. We will offer information about the building, and tours, for guests who are interested. Please sign up at uusg.org/ice-cream so we’ll be sure to order enough ice cream and fixin’s.

UUSG’s Buddhist Meditation and Study Group will begin a new book on May 17, entitled *The Heart of the Revolution: The Buddha’s Radical Teachings on Forgiveness, Compassion, and Kindness* by Noah Levine, available [here](#). We meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the UUSG Common Room. Please join us!

May “Beyond Our Walls” The Human Library of the Fox Valley has partnered with local volunteers from traditionally marginalized groups, human ‘books,’ to create safe, free opportunities for ‘readers’ to better understand those with whom they share their communities, during 1:1 conversations lasting up to 30 minutes. We’re challenging prejudice, one conversation at a time. Learn more at humanlibraryofthefoxvalley.org/.

LRE Update: May 21: Don’t miss the OWL recognition service. Middle School OWL (Our Whole Lives) was a big success and has just wrapped up with our last overnight earlier this month. We will also be recognizing all LRE volunteers at this service, June 4: The Moving Up Service, June 18: Coming of Age. We still need Teacher volunteers for next school year. We especially need teachers for the 3-5 grade classes at both services. Please contact Jodi Brown or Jenny Montgomery if you are interested in teaching!

Beginning May 28, our Summer Social Hours take a more relaxed approach. While there is no organized hosting, that doesn’t mean the kitchen is closed – anyone is welcome to host. Questions? Contact hospitality@uusg.org.