Upcoming Events

Learn more at usguu.org

Arts Club
September 17 at 7pm in the Edna Jones Assembly Room

The USG Arts Club provides a space to engage in community creativity through arts related gatherings. Bring your current fiber project, or come try one out with us. All are welcome, no experience required. Email artsclub@usguu.org to get involved!

GenXYZ
September 18 at 7pm in the Edna Jones Assembly Room

Feel free to bring snacks and/or games to share! Contact genxyz@usguu.org with any questions.

Mabon/Fall Equinox
September 20 from 6-8pm in the Grove and Labyrinth

Let's circle up and contemplate the balance of darkness and light. Bring a potluck dish to share (seasonal dishes encouraged) and a blessing, poem, or song to share. We'll sit around the campfire and prepare for the long nights of Fall and Winter. All ages welcome! Please contact earthspiritcircle@usguu.org for more information or to get involved.

POWER Interfaith Information Session
September 20 at 12:15pm in Sullivan 1

POWER Interfaith's Fall Campaign, WE MAKE PHILLY Affordable for All, focuses on the economic inequities in Philadelphia by making utilities and housing more affordable. Learn about how USG is working with other POWER congregations to make Philly a better place to live. What happens in Philly affects the whole region. Snacks provided. Questions? Contact Margaret Thompson at POWER@usguu.org.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSD Registration is Open

Please register your family today!

Order of Service

Boat Small and Strong
Rev. Hannah Gallo
Zoë Johnston and Stearns Matthews
Sunday, September 13, 2026

Gathering Hymn
The River by Coco Love Alcorn

Welcome & Announcements
Zoë Johnston, Director of Spiritual Development

Call to Worship
Rev. Hannah Gallo, Minister

Chalice Lighting
Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

Musical Response
Come Sail Away by Dennis DeYoung

Performed by the USG Choir

Story Part I
Old Wood Boat by Nikki McClure

Stearns Matthews, Zoë Johnston, Rev. Hannah Gallo

Ritual & Prayer
Zoë Johnston & Rev. Hannah Gallo

Hymn
This Boat by Laura Zucker

Story Part II
Stearns Matthews, Zoë Johnston, Rev. Hannah Gallo

Homily
Rev. Hannah Gallo

Share the Plate
Our Share the Plate recipient this week is Gateway HorseWorks. This nomination was made by Megan Moser. For directions to donate, refer to the back of the Order of Service cover.

Offertory
Orinoco Flow by Enya and Roma Ryan

Performed by the USG Choir

Gathering the Waters

Blessing the Waters
Rev. Hannah Gallo

Hymn
#1064, *Blue Boat Home*

Chalice Extinguishing
We extinguish our chalice but the flame remains in us,
As we live into the mission of this congregation:
Building Beloved Community with
Compassion, Service and Empowerment

Benediction
Rev. Hannah Gallo

Following the Service Today

Fellowship Hour
Join us in the Edna Jones Assembly Room for fellowship and lunch. All are welcome!

UUJME Follow-up Discussion
12:15pm in Daskam- You're invited to discuss Apartheid Free Communities as a follow up to last week's worship service and discussion. What are your thoughts and reactions? What are the next steps for our community?

Fellowship Hour
12:30pm in Sullivan- For families who have already registered or been in contact with Zoë.

We Strive for Accessibility and Inclusivity

Please ask an Usher for assistance with listening devices, large print materials, and finding the elevator.

Others Who Minister Today

Musicians: Wyatt Schroeder (bass), Russ Myer (percussion), Nero Catalano (guitar)
Sound: Javier Andolz-Casanova
Camera: Margaret Thompson
Ushers: Jen Bellot, Carolyn Scott, Hal Krieger, Alice Parker, Andre Stormont
Welcome Table: Treva Burger

Newcomers are invited to fill in a Visitor Form via this QR code.