

**A warm welcome to our guests.** We're glad you are here! Be sure to give your name and email to Deborah Pejcic if you are interested in receiving monthly reminders about our group. Please join us after the service for shared food & beverage.

### **GUU ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **3rd Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 4pm, at Quaker House.**  
« Nurturing Our Creativity in Springtime, » an all ages service for adults and youths including an egg hunt.
- 3rd Sunday, May 20th, 4pm, at Quaker House, "Use of the Democratic Process within our congregations and in Society at Large." Youth program offered separately.
- June service, a picnic is in the works, details to follow!

Geneva Unitarian Universalist Fellowship meets monthly at 4pm, the 3rd Sundays (usually at the Quaker House, 13 Avenue du Mervelet, 1209 Petit Saconnex) September through June, followed by potluck social hour, [www.genevauu.org](http://www.genevauu.org)

### **Geneva Unitarian Universalists**

A welcoming lay-led group in Geneva, Switzerland.



## **“Universalism and Relativism”**

Led by Daryl Newton

**Sunday, March 18, 2012**  
**4pm Quaker House**

*We unite in this fellowship to seek truth, deepen our awareness of spiritual and humanistic values, strengthen one another in our free search, maintain the sanctity of the individual conscience bound by no dogmas or creed, and uphold freedom, community, and equal rights for all.*

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## Order of Service

**WELCOME** – “Come, come whoever you are.” [Karin]

**CHALICE LIGHTING** - “Throughout the Ages ” by Andrew C. Backus  
[Read out-loud All Together]

Throughout the ages, light --  
whether from a single candle  
or from a blazing, primordial fire --  
has summoned within human minds  
the vision of that in us  
which is ultimate and eternal.

As we light our chalice this morning,  
we rekindle the spirit of living meaning.

We celebrate by the warmth of its fire  
the depth and breadth of our religious communion.

We celebrate by the light of its fire  
the faith [community] we share.

**OPENING SONG** – “Both Sides Now” by Joni Mitchell [All sing]

**CANDLES OF JOYS AND CONCERNS** [Karin]

A time to share as a Fellowship our heartfelt joys and concerns.

**OFFERING REMINDER** [Karin]

**SINGING THE YOUTH TO THEIR CLASS** [All sing]

Go now in peace, go now in joy!  
May the spirit of love surround you  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

**MEDITATION** [Daryl]

**DISCUSSION TOPIC** – Universalism and Relativism [Daryl]

**INTRODUCTION**

**DEFINITIONS**

**PLACE IN HISTORY**

**EXAMPLES**

**EXERCISES**

**SHARING**

**PERSONAL APPLICATIONS**

**CLOSING WORDS:** [Daryl]

“After silence, that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible is music.” Aldous Huxley

**CLOSING SONG** - A selection from Bach

**RETURN OF THE YOUTH**

**EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE** - [Read all together]

“We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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**“Both Sides Now” by Joni Mitchell**

Bows and flows of angel hair  
And ice cream castles in the air  
And feather canyons everywhere,  
I've looked at cloud that way.  
But now they only block the sun,  
They rain and snow on everyone.  
So many things I would have done  
But clouds got in my way.

I've looked at clouds from both sides now,  
From up and down, and still somehow  
It's cloud illusions I recall.  
I really don't know clouds at all.

Moons and Junes and ferris wheels,  
The dizzy dancing way you feel  
As every fairy tale comes real;  
I've looked at love that way.  
But now it's just another show,  
You leave 'em laughing when you go  
And if you care, don't let them know,  
Don't give yourself away.

I've looked at love from both sides now,  
From give and take, and still somehow  
It's love's illusions i recall.  
I really don't know love at all.

Tears and fears and feeling proud  
To say "I love you" right out loud,  
Dreams and schemes and circus crowds, I've looked at life that way.  
But now old friends are acting strange, They shake their heads,  
They say I've changed.  
Something's lost but something's gained in living every day.

I've looked at life from both sides now,  
From win and lose, and still somehow  
It's life's illusions I recall.  
I really don't know life at all.