



CIRCLE OF FELLOWSHIP

The First Universalist Church
of Central Square
A Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the First Universalist Society of Central Square is to be a welcoming, diverse congregation, which values spiritual growth and service to the local and world community.

APRIL 2009

MINISTERIAL MUSINGS

Dear Friends,

Spring can be seen as a time of lightness. The days are growing longer now. There is a joy that is often experienced with more daylight, whether one has Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) or not. I know I always look forward to removing the ice-pick from my cane, and forgoing the heavy winter coat and gloves. There is a certain lightness that comes from leaving that heaviness behind.

Already the grass is getting greener, and more birds are flitting about. Soon there will be a variety of flowers, with their diverse colors and scents. The cool nights and warm days we have recently experienced are ideal for getting the sap flowing in the trees. And spring can get our sap flowing as well, in greater creativity and expansiveness.

Spring can also be a time for seeing the debris which has collected under the now-melted snow. Spring thus provides motivation as well as energy for cleaning and sorting, painting and fixing up. May we all be blessed with opportunities to celebrate spring that bring joy to our hearts, lightness to our steps, and love to our community. Hope to see you in church.

With respect and love,
Margaret

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE CONGREGATION

Because the Executive Board wishes to gain an accurate evaluation on the health and well-being of the church, the district executive of the Saint Lawrence Unitarian Universalist District, the Rev. Dr. Tom Chulak, is planning to meet with individuals or couples in 15-minute intervals starting at 4 p.m. on Monday, May 4, at the church.

This is the time for you to express your concerns privately with Tom. For more information, you may contact Janie Garlow at 436-2238 or at mjgarlow@aol.com. There will be a sign-up sheet in the East Room for time slots. All are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Tom will follow up with a congregational meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, to report his findings.

Note: Please have items for the next newsletter to Bob Haskell by no later than NOON on SATURDAY, MAY 2. His address is 29 Grove Street, Baldwinsville, NY 13027-2332; his telephone number is 635-5294; his e-mail address is rhaskell@twcny.rr.com

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

My Dear Friends,

Steve and I enjoyed a nice letter from the Rev. Max Coots sometime in late-January. It arrived with the seed catalogs, which seemed so appropriate, if you knew Max. In his letter, he closed by saying that he was still making ceramic sculptures ranging from the whimsical to the ridiculous. He said he was feeling and showing his age and its limitations but, despite that, "life is good," interesting and enjoyable.

I typed a letter of response attempting to answer some of his inquiries. I fussed over it for some time to get it just right. My husband calls it "futzing." My letter sat in my Word documents for another two weeks or so. I then promised myself I would edit it and send it on Wednesday. Max died on Tuesday. I guess what I want to say, don't wait until things are just right, do it now. Max was a true gift, a treasure in our lives. We were most fortunate to have him in our pulpit every other Sunday for several years. His presence brought life back into our church.

In early March of this year, Steve and I, with the Rev. Libbie Stoddard and Betty Figie, drove up to Canton on a frosty morning to Max's calling hours. There was no casket or urn but a self sculpture of Max contemplating a clump of clay on his workbench. Surrounding him at his feet and leaning on his bench were subterranean creatures of all sorts. It was so Max; "from the whimsical to the ridiculous." The more I studied, the more I saw. I couldn't take my eyes off of it. Soon the room was full of people and I had to turn away. Many of us in church are blessed to have one of Max's sculptures. I have one; it depicts a mended green Pyrex mixing bowl. This bowl was found in many broken pieces in Max's garden, probably the remnants of an earlier settler's dump. Next to the mended bowl in the sculpture is a small old woman with a chard of the broken Pyrex in her hand. The name of the sculpture is "Mending Yesterday."

I will forgive myself for my procrastination, to mend my yesterday.

Many Blessings,
Janie

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Andrea Abbott, lay speaker, will conduct a Maundy Thursday service at the church at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 9.

Maundy Thursday, also called Holy Thursday, occurs on the Thursday before Easter. It is the day on which Jesus celebrated the Passover with His disciples, known as the Last Supper.

BLOOD DRIVE AT OUR CHURCH

Our church is hosting the April Central Square Community Blood Drive for the American Red Cross from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 6.

Please make an appointment by calling 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1 800 448-3543).

Please donate. If you cannot donate, please encourage family, friends, co-workers and others to give the gift of life. Thank you.

– Janie Garlow

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT AND EMPOWERMENT

The Wednesday evening group is now called Spiritual Development and Empowerment. We meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the church. This is now a co-ed

group.

We share personal spiritual experiences and take part in different personal empowerment programs as they are presented by our members and invited guests.

All are welcome, and we promote a safe environment with no proselytizing. We are high energy, and welcome your input and experiences.

If you have questions, please call Chet Perkins at 668-6719 or Kurt Schindler at 247-0432.

– Kurt Schindler

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Thanks to all who have already made their pledge.

We have received more than \$8,000 in pledges, about one-third of our goal.

Please get your pledges in by April 5.

If you have not received a pledge form (an error by the treasurer) or need another form, please contact Chet Perkins at 668-6719 or at cperkins9@twcny.rr.com. Extra forms will also be available at church.

Please return the pledge form even if you are unable to make a pledge.

– Your Finance Committee

SOCIAL JUSTICE/GREEN COMMITTEE UPDATE

We have some very cool “Be Green” T-shirts for sale. Buy now! Help the economy (and the Green Committee).

On Saturday, April 25, we are partnering with Project Bloom in Central Square to check 78 trees and provide needed TLC. This is our Earth Day project. Details will be available soon. If you are busy that day, you can sign up for the Spring Cleanup with our Adopt-a-highway on May 3. We will meet at 9 a.m. and pick up trash on Route 11 from the corner north to the Route 4 intersection and back.

We are planning a Memorial Garden and bench at the back corner of the church property line. Please consider this opportunity to help design and/or donate plants or labor.

How many of you have taken advantage of the Environmental Advocate's website listed in the church weekly announcements to show your support for the Bigger Better Bottle Bill? This is an easy way to encourage your legislators to vote YES.

Judy Linder will keep us updated on ways we can continue to support the Lost Boys efforts to build a clinic in their Sudan village. Presently, there are note cards and jewelry for sale.

Join us at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 12, for our next regular monthly meeting.

– Nancy Hallock, committee chair

GREEN MINUTE: TAKING THE CONFUSION OUT OF PLASTIC RECYCLING CODES

Ever wonder what that number on your plastic item means? Here are some answers.

Number 1 plastic is found in bottles for water, soft drinks, mouthwash, peanut butter and salad dressing as well as in food trays. It is usually accepted by most recycling programs and is made into fleece and other fibers, tote bags, furniture, carpet and paneling. It is easy to recycle and poses a low risk of leaching toxic chemicals into contents.

Number 2 plastic is found in bottles for milk, juice, bleach, detergent, shampoo and motor oil, in tubs for butter and yogurt and in some bags. It is also accepted by most recycling programs, and it is recycled into bottles, pens, bins, tile, drainage pipe and lumber.

Number 3 plastic is found in bottles for window cleaner, detergent, shampoo and cooking oil as well as in certain electronic and medical equipment. It is also used in building materials such as siding, windows and piping. It is rarely recycled but is accepted by some plastic lumber makers. It is made into decks, paneling, gutters, flooring, cables and mats. It contains chlorine, so factories that make it can release highly toxic dioxins. That strong smell coming off PVC shower curtains and from new cars can be toxic as well, so many concerned parents try to avoid it.

Number 4 plastic is found in squeezable bottles; bags for bread, frozen food, dry-cleaning and shopping; clothing; furniture; and carpet. It is not often recycled but some communities accept it, and it can be recycled into trash can liners and cans, compost bins, envelopes, paneling, lumber, landscaping ties and floor tile.

Number 5 plastic is found in yogurt containers, syrup and ketchup bottles, many caps, straws and medicine bottles. It is recycled through many programs into signal lights, battery cables, brooms, brushes, auto battery cases, ice scrapers, landscape borders, bicycle racks, bins and trays. It has a high melting point and is often chosen to contain hot materials. It poses a low risk of leaching.

Number 6 plastic is found in disposable plates and cups, meat trays, egg cartons, carry-out containers and CD cases. It is usually recycled through curbside programs and becomes insulation, egg cartons, vents, rulers, foam packing and carry-out containers. It can be rigid or foam, and it unfortunately can leach toxins into foods or drinks.

Number 7 plastic is found in large water containers, bullet-proof materials, DVDs, iPods, signs, food containers and nylon. It usually isn't recycled but can become plastic lumber and custom products. Any plastic that doesn't fit into other categories is grouped here. This miscellaneous category includes compostable plastics made from corn or other plants which are safe and green. The most controversial plastic is polycarbonate which is the hard plastic found in baby bottles that some studies show may leach a hormone disruptor. Compostable plastics are easy to dispose of, but the rest in this category can be tricky.

Policies vary according your area, so check with your pick-up service or waste recovery facility for their policies.

– Social Justice Committee's Green Team

UU congregations covenant to affirm and promote the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.

A GOOD DAY AT THE FAIR

I have received a lot of positive feedback, from both service providers and from those who attended, about the Holistic Wellness Fair that was held on March 21st. It was a wonderful day. Many people attended, utilized many of the wide array of health and healing options available, enjoyed good conversation and good food and had an overall good experience. We added a few new experiences, such as the drum circle, that went over very well. We made some money. And, more importantly, I think, we introduced people to, and made easily accessible, the many options that are available for taking care of themselves in many different areas of their lives. If you didn't attend this time – maybe next time!

Also, I would like to say thank you to all who helped make the event successful – every little bit of assistance helped. If anyone has additional input for next year's Fair, you can attend the UU Circle meeting as Rita mentions in the following article or you can let me know.

– Ginny Glahn

UU CIRCLE EXTENDS ITS THANKS

The UU Circle would like to thank all of you who helped make the Holistic Wellness Fair a success. Special thanks go out to Ginny Glahn who did a wonderful job coordinating everything. The girls in the kitchen provided us with great food and service. Donations of three signs were from Janie Garlow, Nancy Hallock and Betty Figie. Mary Perkins did a wonderful “Welcome to Our Church” fiier that was placed in the entry way. Again, thanks!

By the time you read this the Smorgasbord Dinner will have taken place. Much thanks go out to all who donated food and their time to make it a wonderful first-time experience. Hats off to Nancy Hallock for taking charge and coming up with the idea.

As you all are aware, there have been many fund-raisers this year that have been scheduled so close together, for many reasons. I promise in the future year this will not happen again.

On April 19, there will be a UU Circle meeting at 11:45 a.m. in the Community Room to evaluate the past two fund-raisers, to see what worked and what needs to be changed to improve them. Other business will also be discussed. All are welcome at this meeting.

Nancy Hallock is looking to see how many people would be interested in going to see “Crowns” at Syracuse Stage. If we get 10 people we can get a group discount. Please see her to sign up. This will be an uplifting and educational experience.

Until next time.

– Rita Thornton, UU Circle president

COFFEE AND CHAT

Women and men of the church will gather for Coffee and Chat at Panera Bread on Route 31 in Clay at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15. All are welcome to join in casual conversation and to enjoy coffee or tea and other goodies. The women's and men's groups meet separately. For information about the women's group, you may contact Nancy Haskell. For information about the men's group, you may contact Chet Perkins.

DISTRICT ANNUAL ASSEMBLY APRIL 24-25

“Building the Beloved Community” is the theme for the April 24 and 25 Saint Lawrence Unitarian Universalist District Annual Assembly to be hosted by the First Unitarian Universalist Society of Albany in Albany. The Rev. Tom Owen-Towle will be the keynote

speaker. For more information, you may contact Sue Tabone, SLD administrative secretary, at 716 882-0430 or at smtabone@localnet.com

WTB BLOOD DRIVE

“Together We Give So That Others May Live!”

This is the theme for the first Interfaith Blood Drive of Women Transcending Boundaries.

You can donate at the American Red Cross Blood Donation Center, 636 South Warren Street, Syracuse, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, March 30, or from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31.

For questions, you may contact Danya Wellmon at 446-7156 or Betsy Wiggins at 446-1694.

Women Transcending Boundaries is a Syracuse-based interfaith group.

UU congregations covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all.

AN OBITUARY FOR THE REV. MAX COOTS
(Watertown Daily Times, Friday, March 6, 2009)

CANTON — A memorial service for the Rev. Max Alden Coots, 81, State Street, will be April 25 at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton. Private burial will be in the church memorial garden.

The Rev. Mr. Coots died Tuesday at his home, where he was under the care of Hospice and Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley.

During his years at seminary, he served as the assistant minister at the Universalist Church of the Divine Paternity in New York City, where he was ordained a Universalist minister in 1953. He next served as minister of the First Universalist Church in Cortland from 1953 to 1958. He became minister in 1958 of the Canton Universalist Church (which became the Unitarian Universalist Church in 1961), where he served for 34 years until his retirement in 1992.

He was known for his use of puns and poetry, as a counselor and as the church's general handyman.

The Rev. Mr. Coots was a community activist and helped spark the creation of the St. Lawrence County Chapter of NYSARC, the Church and Community Program and North Country Freedom Homes. He aided those concerned with nuclear warfare, penal reform, civil rights, alcoholism, family planning and Vietnam and Iraq war resistance.

For seven years (1968-75) he taught "Contemporary Social Problems" at Clarkson College, Potsdam. He was regularly invited to speak at other Unitarian Universalist churches and regional conferences and had strong ties with the Unitarian Church of Barneveld and the Unitarian Fellowship of Kingston, Ontario. In retirement, he became the supply minister for the Central Square Universalist Church, preaching there two Sundays a month for several years.

In 1978, the Rev. Mr. Coots was awarded a doctor of sacred theology degree by Starr King School for the Ministry, Berkeley, Calif. In 1983 he was awarded the Human Services Award by SUNY Potsdam. St. Lawrence University honored him with a North Country Citation in 1990.

The Rev. Mr. Coots published three books: "Seasons of the Self" in 1971; "View from a Tree" in 1989, and "Leaning Against the Wind — A Selection of Sermons" in 1992.

In retirement, he returned to his early love of the arts and took up sculpting. He audited the ceramics courses at SLU, and then continued to work in the studio there through independent study courses. The university hosted a show of his sculptures, "The Sublime and the Ridiculous," in 1999. He eventually moved to a studio in a barn on Boyden Road. The St. Lawrence County Arts Council honored him Feb. 7 for his dedicated service to the arts, and is currently hosting a show of his works at Art Central in Potsdam.

He enjoyed carpentry and had a workshop in his barn at 19 State St. He also enjoyed gardening and raised vegetables for more than 50 years in plots near his homes. He was an expert on edible wild plants.

Born June 10, 1927, in Canisteo, son of Dr. Carl Alden Coots and Mabel G. Brownell Coots, he grew up in Waverly and graduated from Waverly High School, majoring in art. He entered the Navy in February 1945 and was honorably discharged in August 1945.

Upon his discharge, he attended art school for a year, attended Elmira College for two years and received a bachelor of arts degree in 1950 at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa. He then moved to New York City, where he received a master's degree in religious education from Teachers College of Columbia University and a master of divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in 1953.

He married Emilie J. "Fritzie" Fritz on Dec. 21, 1950, in Scranton, Pa. The marriage ended in divorce in 1977. He married Betty N. Hutto on Aug. 12, 1978, at his parents' home in Waverly. She died Feb. 23, 1993. He married Charlotte C. Ramsay on April 24, 1999, in the Canton Unitarian Universalist Church.

Surviving besides his wife are three sons from his first marriage, Douglas, and his wife, Amy Bernhardt, Harvard, Mass., Brian, and his companion, Karen E. Johnson, Pierrepont and West Potsdam, and Daniel, and his wife, Kimberly M., Nashville, Tenn.; a stepdaughter, Meribeth Hutto, address unavailable; two stepsons and their wives, Douglas and Kimberly S. Ramsay, Kensington, Md., and David and Hadassah M. Ramsay, Nottingham, N.H., five grandchildren and six stepgrandsons.

Two brothers, David and Terrance, and a stepson, Martin Hutto, died before him.

Donations may be made to the Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton, East Main Street, Canton, N.Y. 13617, or to the St. Lawrence County Arts Council, 51 Market St., Potsdam, N.Y. 13676.

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The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life.

The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Chris and Cara Lajewski, Beth Sonnacchio and Christy Salas recently signed the church membership book. As has been our practice of late, we asked each of them as a new member to write a short biographical sketch. Here is the sketch Chris submitted for Cara and him:

Chris and Cara both hail from the Rochester area but now reside in Brewerton and have been happily married since October 2001. Chris received a B.S. in geology from the State University of New York at Albany and an M.S. in geology from Syracuse University. Cara received an M.B.A. from St. Bonaventure University. Cara is also a certified professional accountant.

Chris and Cara enjoy spending time outdoors with their two girls, Kirsten (nearly 3 years old) and Kyah (nearly 10 months old). You can routinely see this family of four down at Oneida Shores County Park swimming in the lake, building sand castles, snow sledding, picking apples and blackberries, or playing around their yard and planting flowers, trees and vegetables. Chris is an avid outdoorsman who enjoys jogging, cross-country skiing, hiking, camping and singing around a campfire with his guitar. Cara enjoys reading books, socializing with friends, cooking (especially cakes), and TV dramas.

Chris is employed by The Nature Conservancy as the Northern New York land steward and is based in the Pulaski office. He manages 11 nature preserves and more than 20,000 acres of land, including the Rome Sand Plains, Tug Hill Plateau, Eastern Lake Ontario Dunes and Wetlands area, and the Alvar Limestone Barrens (west of Watertown). Chris also works part time as a naturalist at the Amboy 4-H Environmental Education Center where he leads nature programs for all ages during the weekends. He has been recognized as a certified interpretive guide by the National Association of Interpretation.

Cara is a wonderful and hard-working stay-at-home mom.

Chris and Cara look forward to raising their children in and getting involved in the many functions offered by the First Universalist Society of Central Square.

BOARD SPLINTER

President Janie Garlow announced at the monthly meeting of the Executive Board on Sunday, March 29, that John Landers had resigned as a member of the Nominating Committee. The Board appointed Larry Linder to fill the vacancy until the annual congregational meeting in June.

HELP NEEDED

The church needs someone to mow the lawn for the coming season. The church treasury has a small amount of money to pay someone to do this service. Please speak to Arne Hook if you are interested.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR UU LEADERSHIP TEAM INSTITUTE 2009

The Unitarian Universalist Leadership Team Institute 2009 will be held at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, from July 26 to August 1.

UULTI is a weeklong residential learning experience that seeks to renew faith, embrace congregational

growth and change, welcome and nurture all, and fulfill the promise of Unitarian Universalism in the wider world.

The institute is for all kinds of congregational leaders, including board members, ministers, committee chairs, religious education professionals, treasurers, administrators, musicians and other current or emerging leaders.

Each participant will select one of five learning tracks: Governance, Growth, Faith in Our Congregations, Social Transformation or Youth Ministry. In addition to daily track learning, the UULTI experience includes daily worship, covenant groups, training in various leadership perspective areas, coaching on "taking it home," and more.

UULTI is priced at \$725 per person. An early bird discount of \$30 brings the cost to \$695 per person if one registers by June 6. There is a special price for youth participants of \$595. Scholarship money is available.

Visit the UULTI website: www.uulti.org. Anyone with any questions about programming, logistics, scholarships, etc. may contact Jan Gartner, Program Dean for UULTI 2009, at janw@rochesterunitarian.org.

The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life.

The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (ARE)

It has been a while since the last ARE workshop. We would like to know what would interest you in the next year. To find out what topics interest you, what days work for you, etc., we ask that you fill out this brief survey. Your feedback will be greatly appreciated. Please return it to Ann Peterson or look for a box in the church East Room.

Here are some examples of workshops that we have had in the past:

Prayer

Animals

The Haunting Church (Revisiting Your Religious Past)

Finding Sacred in the Ordinary

Racism

Dreams

What subjects would you be interested in for the coming year?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Who would you like to lead future workshops?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Would you prefer workshops that are for one session? If so, why would this work better for you?

Would you prefer workshops that have several sessions? If so, why?

If so, how many sessions, and on what topic?

(In the past, we have generally had workshops of one session that met on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Would you like to lead a workshop (either alone or with someone)? Yes No

If so, on what topic or topics?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Note: There are materials available through the Unitarian Universalist Association that can be modified for smaller groups or can be made into fewer sessions.

Thank you so much for your input. If you could return this survey within the next two weeks, it would be helpful to our future planning of adult religious programming.

Ann Peterson
ARE
March 2009

The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.

The living tradition which Unitarian Universalists share draws from many sources, including spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

CALENDAR

April

- 5 – 9:30 a.m., Choir rehearsal. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by the Rev. Margaret Hart. Palm Sunday. Random Acts of Kindness Sunday. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 6 – 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., Blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross at our church
- 9 – 6:30 p.m., Maundy Thursday service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker.
- 12 – 9:30 a.m., Social Justice Committee. 9:30 a.m., Spiritual Dance Group. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. Easter. 11 a.m., Religious education. Donation of food items for the Downstairs Scottie, which will be transported to the Food Bank at St. Michael's Church.
- 15 – 9:30 a.m., Coffee and Chat at Panera Bread, Route 31, Clay.
- 17 – 7 p.m., Video Discussion Group.
- 19 – 9 a.m., Religious Education Committee. 9:30 a.m., Choir rehearsal. 10:30 a.m., Worship service. John Rogers, guest speaker. Bluebird presentation. The Rev. Margaret Hart will facilitate the service. 11 a.m., Religious education. 11:45 a.m., UU Circle meeting.
- 22-25 – The Rev. Margaret Hart attends UU Ministers' Retreat and Saint Lawrence District Assembly.
- 24 and 25 – Saint Lawrence District Annual Assembly, Albany.
- 25 – Social Justice Committee participates in Earth Day project, "Project Bloom."
- 26 – 9:30 a.m., Spiritual Dance Group. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker, focusing on Unitarian Universalist principle number 5. 11 a.m., Religious education.

May

- 3 – 9 a.m., Executive Board meeting. 9 a.m., Social Justice Committee Adopt-a-Highway cleanup along Route 11. 9:30 a.m., Spiritual Dance Group. 10:30 a.m., Worship service. Guest speaker, Kevin White, Native American Spirituality. Random Acts of Kindness Sunday. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 4 – 4 p.m., The Rev. Dr. Tom Chulak will meet with individuals or couples to discuss the health and well-being of the church.
- 5 – 7 p.m., The Rev. Dr. Tom Chulak will meet with the congregation to discuss the health and well-being of the church.
- 10 – 9:30 a.m., Social Justice Committee. 9:30 a.m., Choir rehearsal. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by the Rev. Margaret A. Hart, focusing on Unitarian Universalist principle number 6. Mother's Day. 11 a.m., Religious education. Donation of food items for the Downstairs Scottie, which will be transported to the Food Bank at St. Michael's Church.
- 17 – 9 a.m., Religious Education Committee. 9:30 a.m., Spiritual Dance Group. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.

Regular meetings

- Tuesdays – 7 p.m., Chanting and meditation. People who are interested should call Tim Hart at 439-2541.
- Wednesdays – 7 p.m., Spiritual Development and Empowerment group meets at the church.

Visit our church Web site at <http://www.geocities.com/centralsquareuu/>