

# Circle of Fellowship

The First Universalist Church  
of Central Square

*A Unitarian Universalist Congregation*

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Our church building is handicapped accessible.

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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.

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March 2008

## MINISTERIAL MUSINGS

Dear Friends,

As I sit at the computer in my house to write to you, I can gaze out the window at our back yard. The snow is falling lightly this afternoon, and blowing slightly. It is very cold out. This morning it was sunny and bright. As they say, "If you don't like the weather, just wait a little while and it will change."

There is much we can learn by observing nature. When we lived in Parish, we had bird feeders which attracted many squirrels as well as birds. Our relationship with the squirrels wasn't very cordial. Actually, when they would raid the feeders, I found myself banging on the window and yelling to scare them away so the birds could eat the seeds.

Now that we've moved to Central Square and haven't yet put up bird feeders, we have a very different relationship with the squirrels. It's fun to watch them cavorting as they play in the back yard. I realized that by having no attachment to bird feeders, I am free to enjoy the squirrels as they are (as long as they don't come into the house, which is another attachment).

In this time of Lent, it can be helpful to contemplate our attachments and the sources of our enmity and anger. As we recognize them, we can loosen our grip on them, and they will loosen their power over us.

May you have a blessed rest of the winter. Hope to see you in church.

With love and respect,  
Margaret

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## MAUNDY THURSDAY

A Maundy Thursday service will be celebrated at the church at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 20. Andrea Abbott, lay speaker, will lead the service.

**Note: Please have items for the next newsletter to Bob Haskell by no later than NOON ON SATURDAY, APRIL 5.**

**Bob would be grateful if everyone would have articles to him as soon as possible and not wait until the last minute. 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](mailto:rhaskell@twcny.rr.com).**

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

My Dear Friends,

We have started preparation on our annual budget drive or canvass. Canvass has been the traditional once-a-year drive to raise money for the church budget. The concept of Stewardship is larger and more inclusive. It speaks to how and why we support the church: Our Time, Our Talents and Our Treasure, 3T's.

It has been noted that annual pledge drives inadvertently perpetuate low-level and same-level giving. This speaks very true in our church. The Finance Committee and the Executive Board have agreed to do a face-to-face canvass this year. Wait; don't get bent out of shape. Asking does make a difference. It has been proven that one-on-one stewardship conversations are successful. Please take some time to calculate how 20 percent increased generosity in your annual financial commitment will impact the work of the church and, in turn, strengthen your religious life.

Members of the board will be visiting stewards who will call on you sometime in mid March or early April. Please welcome this visiting steward. This is new for all of us and for many a topic to avoid. Hopefully, we will be building community while building financial strength for our unique liberal religious community.

Thank you for your many gifts,

— Janie

“We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.”

— Winston Churchill

### VIDEO DISCUSSION GROUP

The Video Discussion Group will meet at the church at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 7.

Present plans call for the showing of some of the following segments from the PBS program, “Bill Moyers Journal”:

- The Journal gets theological and political perspective on the story in the Middle East from Ronald J. Sider, professor of theology and president of Evangelicals for Social Action, and from M.J. Rosenberg, director of policy analysis for Israel Policy Forum.
- Moyers sits down with journalist Craig Unger, contributing editor of Vanity Fair and author of the best-selling “House of Bush, House of Saud” and, most recently, “The Fall of the House of Bush,” who offers analysis on President Bush's recent trip to the Middle East.
- Harvey J. Kaye, the historian and author of “Thomas Paine and the Promise of America,” discusses the role of whom he calls “the greatest radical of a radical age.”

### DINNER AND DRAMA

March 15 is the Saturday for a Dinner and a Drama.

We will serve an Irish meal of corned beef and cabbage with potatoes and carrots. A variety of scrumptious desserts will accompany the meal.

Like dinner theater, there will be a show following

dinner with you as the stars (if you wish). We have a brief play (fun and suitable for all) for any and all to participate in.

Reservations, please!!! Adults, \$13; under 12, \$9.

Make your reservations by March 12. Sign up or call Kurt at 247-0432. Brought to you by your UU Circle.

— Kurt Schindler

### 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, March 19.

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.

### RETURN THOSE BOTTLES

You may continue to help the environment and make money for the church by leaving your returnable bottles at the church.

For some time now, Larry Linder has been taking the bottles from the church bottle recycle can to a deposit center and giving the cash to Judy Linder, the church treasurer. “Over the past year we have deposited several hundred bottles,” Larry reports. He adds, “We can always use more bottles.”

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and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.

### A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER

Thank you to everyone who has been donating to the support of the church. Without you, the church could not exist. I'd like to remind everyone that pledged to the Building Fund (which pays the loan for the furnaces) that you may make a donation at any time by writing a note on your check or on an envelope. The loan for our three furnaces has three more years, and current donations are not covering our monthly payment of \$138.00. Donations since the beginning of our church year are a little less than \$1,200.00, while our payments have totaled \$1,250.00. The last few months contributions have only been \$50 per month. At this rate it looks like we may not be matching our payments for the rest of the year.

If anyone else is interested in paying their "Fair Share" (that goes to the St. Lawrence District) of \$54.00 per person, please send it in or put it in an envelope in the collection. I have collected \$335 so far. The UUA District is asking the church for \$2,862.00 based on our official membership. I'd like to send in what we have collected so far by the end of March. Donations can be mailed to:

The First Universalist Church of Central Square, attention: Treasurer,  
P.O. Box 429  
Central Square, NY 13036.

— Judy Linder, Treasurer

### ROAST BEEF DINNER

March 29 is the date for our next roast beef dinner.

We will serve our usual perfectly roasted beef along with real mashed potatoes, can't-believe-it's-this-good gravy, harvard beets, green bean casserole, church slaw and homemade pies.

Put this date on your calendar to pitch in and help or to bring your clean to eat up a storm. A sign-up list for help and pie bakers will be available.

Thank you from Kurt and your UU Circle.

### 2008 DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

"Sustainable Earth: A Call to Action" is the theme of the 2008 St. Lawrence Unitarian Universalist District Assembly scheduled for Friday evening and all day Saturday, April 25 and 26, in Owego. The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Binghamton will host the event.

The Assembly will feature workshops and panel discussions as well as the District Annual Meeting and a Bridging Ceremony for senior youth.

The highlight of Friday evening activities will be the Josephine Gould Discourse by the Rev. Joel Miller from the Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo. He will speak after dinner at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Binghamton.

Keynote speaker Dr. Per Pinstrup-Andersen will kick off a full day of workshops and camaraderie Saturday with his address, "Eliminating Poverty and Assuring

Sustainable Management of Natural Resources: Can Both Goals Be Achieved?" Saturday's events will be held at the Owego Treadway Inn and Conference Center.

A Cornell University professor, Dr. Pinstrup-Andersen will share his perspective on assuring a brighter future for our planet and its people with an emphasis on what governments and civil society can do to reduce poverty, hunger and malnutrition while sustaining our natural resources.

Other workshops on the theme of sustaining the Earth will include "Habitat Gardening," "Choices in Sustainable Living," "Peak Oil Awareness" and "Solar Power to the People." Workshops on social responsibility include "Civil Liberties after 9/11" and "Democracy as a Religious Principle: UU Values in the 2008 Election."

A workshop on promoting spirituality in our lives, "Wellspring," was presented to a packed room at the last General Assembly and will be repeated here. Other sessions on the spiritual dimensions of life will include "Teaching as a Spiritual Practice" and "A Session on Contemporary Worship."

### THE CANCELING OF SUNDAY SERVICE

If it is necessary to cancel Sunday services because of winter weather, the decision will be made by 8:30 a.m. You may call Janie Garlow at 436-2238 or Chet Perkins at 668-6719 for information. Information will also be available on TV channels 9 and 10 and on radio station 570 AM.

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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.

## GREEN MINUTE: A BIGGER, BETTER BOTTLE BILL

Ever wonder why you need to make a 5-cent deposit on a bottle of Coke but not on a bottle of Dasani water or Gatorade? Back in 1982 when the first bottle bill (Returnable Container Act) was made law in New York State these products weren't really available. The 1982 version has been the most successful recycling and litter prevention program to date. Times change and so should the bottle bill to include these products.

Currently non-carbonated drinks make up one-third of the market but contribute to two-thirds of the litter. The current bottle bill provides no incentive for people to recycle these bottles so many end up not being recycled and/or littering our landscape. The new Bigger, Better Bottle Bill would require a 5-cent deposit on ALL soft drink bottles. The result will be a cleaner New York State for all. Who wouldn't want that?

Governor Spitzer has put the Bigger, Better Bottle Bill into his budget for the last two years. So why has it been so hard for this bill to be passed? Currently the bottlers keep any unclaimed deposits resulting in a windfall for them of an estimated \$140 million a year. The Bigger, Better Bottle Bill would require the bottlers to send this windfall to a state environmental fund for state and local environmental resource and recycling programs. Senator Joseph Bruno has not let the bill out of committee for the past two years because he is the spokesperson for the business and corporate community that does not want to lose this corporate welfare. Some of the companies fighting hard against this bill are Coca-Cola, Pepsico and Anheuser-Busch Companies, and so far they've won.

So what can we do. You can write to your state Senate and Assembly representatives. Tell them you want the Bigger, Better Bottle Bill to become law in 2008. We will be holding a letter-writing event after church on Sunday, March 9. You can also go to [www.NYPIRG.org](http://www.NYPIRG.org) to find out more about the bill and to learn who the Senate and Assembly representatives for your area are. Tell your friends about this important bill and encourage them to get involved.

The 1982 Bottle Bill was strongly supported by grassroots efforts and finally became law with outstanding results. Grassroots efforts are what it's going to take again this time to push the updated bill through. Please take a few minutes to tell your state representatives the time to update the Bottle Bill is now.

— The Social Justice Committee's Green Team

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## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

On Saturday, April 19, an all day adult religious workshop will be held. The presenters are the Rev. Libbie Stoddard and Ann Peterson. This workshop, the Haunting Church, asks us to explore previous beliefs and church affiliations. What are your beliefs as a Unitarian Universalist? Is there any relationship? Learn more about your personal spiritual journey. There is a sign-up sheet in the East Room. A rain date will be announced. Please bring your lunch.

— Ann Peterson, Adult Religious Education

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Thanks to Nancy Hallock, John and Pam Landers, Chuck and Ginny Glahn, Janie Garlow and Sean Tennant for serving as greeters and/or hosting the coffee hour. We need volunteers for March. If you would like to help, see Sean Tennant, Cheryl Newman, Larry Linder or Chet Perkins.

We have several copies of a short DVD, "Voices of a Liberal Faith," which is excellent for anyone who might be interested in our church. If you would like to borrow a copy or if you have a friend who might be interested, see Chet.

Don't forget to give our guests a warm welcome to our church and get to know them better during coffee hour.

— Chet Perkins

## CHOIR OPEN TO MORE VOICES

You probably have noticed choir is having a lot of fun singing on Sundays. You could join us for fun. Don't wait to be asked. We practice at 9:30 before Sunday service. They have been sounding sooooo good. Don't wait. Just show up, or if you have any questions, contact Rita Thornton after church or call or leave a message at 699-4824.

— Rita Thornton

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UU congregations covenant to affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

## FROM THE ORGANIZATIONAL TASK FORCE

### Remember the “Getting to Know You” Surveys?

Many of us filled out these surveys a few months ago. The information gathered has been put in a database and we hope it will be helpful in giving members of the congregation opportunities to use their skills to help the church and in connecting people with similar interests. If you have not done the questionnaire or would like to make changes in the one you did, you can pick up a new one from the East Room table to be returned to the box by March 22.

### Need a Name Tag?

Please let us know if you do by writing your name clearly on the sign-up sheet, also on the East Room table.

Do you have questions or comments about church but don't know whom to talk to? Or are you just wondering “who's who?”

We will be making a list of positions, names and contact information for Board members, committee chairs and other leaders, and will post it on the bulletin board in the office where it will be easily available to all.

Have you left anything in the refrigerator you wish to keep? If you have, please label it with your name, the date and its purpose. We plan to dispose of any unidentified food after church on Sunday, March 9. If you want something kept, but do not have a chance to label it, let me know ([mperkins9@twcny.rr.com](mailto:mperkins9@twcny.rr.com) or 668-6719).

— Mary Perkins

## COHOUSING PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

(Note: The following article was submitted by James B. Wiggins, executive director, InterFaith Works of Central New York. InterFaith Works was formerly known as The InterReligious Council (IRC) of Central New York. Cohousing is a type of collaborative housing in which residents actively participate in the design and operation of their own neighborhoods. The Cohousing Association of the United States exists to foster and encourage the creation of cohousing communities as well as to serve the some 100 built communities across the country.)

A free information meeting about the formation of a multi-generational “cohousing” community in the Syracuse area (named LifeSpirit Village) will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 9, at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 124 Alden Street, Syracuse. We are seeking persons/families to be co-founders with us. Our values include mutual decision-making; living in close proximity, having a common house for some shared meals, activities and celebrations; neighborly care for one another; and spiritual foundations. Intrigued? Join us at the meeting to learn about co-housing, view slides of communities in Massachusetts, Virginia and Washington. and meet current co-founding members. For more information about cohousing, see [www.cohousing.org](http://www.cohousing.org). Questions about the meeting? Call Connie Marion at 315 677-3719.

## DR. GRUBE TO SPEAK

Dr. Melinda Grube will deliver the sermon during the worship service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 9. Andrea Abbott, lay speaker, will lead the service.

Dr. Grube teaches history at Cayuga Community College, State University of New York, in Auburn where she is an adjunct professor. She gives historical presentations celebrating 19<sup>th</sup> century New York State reformers. A descendant of Seneca Falls abolitionists, she often appears in costume as a 19<sup>th</sup> century reformer. She did so when she spoke recently at the Unitarian Universalist Society of Auburn.

Dr. Grube is a member of the Board of Directors of the Women's Interfaith Institute of the Finger Lakes. The institute is located at 140 Fall Street in Seneca Falls. In a talk at the institute last August, Dr. Grube discussed the region's religious history, and explored the world of Christian socialism as well as women's role in the spiritual history.

Dr. Grube is the author of the article, “Belief and Unbelief among Nineteenth-Century Feminists: The Dark Side of Susan B. Anthony.” The article appeared in the summer 2003 issue of the magazine, “Free Inquiry.”

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.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The children's collection "Change for Change" is going great. So far they have raised \$35 in loose change that has been deposited in their classroom jar. If anyone would like to add to their fund, just bring in your loose change and drop it in the jar. We have not yet decided where we should use our change but we would like to stay local. If anyone has any ideas, please pass them on. We have had a few suggestions such as buying books for the village library, and helping the church with a meditation garden (buying plants).

We are busy starting another people-helping-people project called "the gift of sight." This will be an ongoing project. If anyone has eyeglasses lying around, bring them into church so they may be recycled and put to use by someone in need. To be able to help people is a wonderful thing and for children to realize they can make a difference is one of the greatest gifts we can give them.

We continue to collect empty computer ink cartridges.

For the month of March the children will continue designing their principles banner, trying to find the answers to "What do you believe as a UU?" and, of course, on the 23th they will hold our great Easter Egg Hunt.

— Ronna Schindler

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### FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Easter flower sign-up sheet is to be on the East Room table. Easter is March 23rd.

—Rita Thornton

### ACTIVITIES OF THE UU CIRCLE

The UU Circle would like to thank all who came and made our Cocoa Social evening a "HOT" success. We shared a lot. We shared many flavors of cocoa and knowledge, laughed, and had sticky fingers as we had many intricate and lovely marshmallow sculptures. Look for pictures to be displayed soon. Our marshmallow sculpture contest winner is Elizabeth Landers, entitled "Catapult — The Pyramid of the Balance of Life." It is on display in the dining room. Congratulate her when you see her. Thanks to all who did release their inner child playing with marshmallows. Please pick up your UU Circle calendar if you haven't done so. Some are on the East Room table and in the dining room. We plan on having many events this year. Don't feel you have to come to every one which is open to all. You can select the ones you want. We are planning an exciting year. Some upcoming dates to keep in mind are Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, Dinner/Theater Evening. Come and enjoy a corned beef dinner and participate or watch theater events. The cost is \$13. The sign-up sheet is in the dining room. Reservations are needed in order to plan ahead before purchasing food. If you want to come only for the theater the cost is \$2. Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>,

Roast Beef Dinner 4:30 p.m. — ?. Look for sign-up sheet for help soon.

— Rita Thornton

### TOM CHULAK'S MOTHER DIES

The mother of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Chulak, St. Lawrence Unitarian Universalist District executive, passed away on Thursday, February 28. Tom's mother, Jean, was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tallahassee, Florida.

Tom's message: "I am writing to let you know that my Mom passed away peacefully yesterday morning. We will have a memorial service for her on Sunday evening. It is my plan to be back on Wednesday evening. Thanks to you and the District for its love and support."

### EXTENDED CHOIR PRACTICE

Extended choir rehearsal will be conducted from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 8.

— Rita Thornton

### DOWNSTAIRS SCOTTY

Remember the Downstairs Scotty as you shop. Our congregation's contributions to this local program are non-food items: soap, detergent, bathroom and facial tissues, toothpaste, and the like. Our collection box is in the East Room, under the water dispenser.



**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.

## SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

The March Board meeting was led by President Janie Garlow.

Rita Thornton spoke briefly about the UU Circle's hopes to bring the church together and plans for a variety of activities.

Gratitude was expressed to John Landers for a day's work cleaning the furnace room, rearranging pews and other odd jobs.

It was decided to pledge \$500 as our Fair Share to the UUA and the St. Lawrence District. Donations designated to increase this payment would be much appreciated.

Plans were discussed for the Stewardship Campaign which will take place mid-March to early April.

Resignation of Virginia Boak Glahn as recording secretary was accepted, and Mary Perkins was appointed to take her place.

The Board approved the church's signing up as an endorser of the Bigger Better Bottle Bill.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 6 at 9 a.m.

— Mary Perkins, recording secretary

### FOR WOMEN ONLY

Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc. will hold its fourth International Dinner, an event for women only, at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 16, at Christian Brothers Academy, 6245 Randall Road, Syracuse. The dinner will be an international vegetarian buffet.

The event will feature the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign and the Relatives as Parents Program (RAPP).

Through its Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign, the Stephen Lewis Foundation, based in Toronto, fosters awareness-building and fund-raising efforts by Canadian grandmothers in support of African grandmothers and their AIDS-orphaned grandchildren. The campaign and the foundation, while actively supported throughout Canada, are little known in the United States. Women Transcending Boundaries wants to change that.

The Relatives as Parents Program (RAPP), a Syracuse Housing Authority site, offers encouragement and emotional support to grandparents and other relatives who are filling a parental role for children whose own parents are unable to do so.

The cost for the dinner is \$20 per person. A reservation form, along with other details and up-to-date information, is available at [www.wtb.org](http://www.wtb.org). A registration

form, along with a check, must be mailed by March 6 to Hetty Gingold, 131 Downing Road, Dewitt, NY 13214.

### THE REV. CARL F. THITCHENER DIES

The Unitarian Universalist Association is sad to announce the death of the Rev. Carl F. Thitchener, who served as secretary of the association and member of the Board of Trustees, 1993-2000. The Reverend Thitchener died on February 15 at the House of John Hospice in Clifton Springs. He was 75.

The Reverend Thitchener was ordained in 1980 at the First Unitarian Church in Rochester where he had been an active layperson for more than 20 years. In 1981, he was called to serve the UU Church of Amherst in Williamsville. He was joined there as co-minister by his wife, the Rev. Maureen Thitchener, in 1991. Their ministry continued until 2003 when they were honored as ministers emeriti.

A service to honor and celebrate the Reverend Thitchener's life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, at the First Unitarian Church, 220 Winton Road South, Rochester. The Rev. Richard Gilbert will officiate.

Memorial donations in the Reverend Thitchener's name may be sent to Compassionate Care, Post Office Box 123, Canandaigua, NY 14424.

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

### March

- 7 – 7 p.m., Video Discussion Group will meet at the church.
- 8 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Communications workshop at First Unitarian Universalist Society of Syracuse. 10 a.m. to noon, Extended choir meeting.
- 9 – 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service. Dr. Melinda Grube, guest speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 12 – 8:30 to 10 a.m., Central New York Cluster meets in Central Square.
- 13 – 8:30 a.m., Worship Committee.
- 15 – Dinner and a Drama.
- 16 – Palm Sunday. 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 19 – 9:30 a.m., Coffee and Chat at Panera Bread, Route 31, Clay.
- 20 – 7 p.m., Maundy Thursday service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker.
- 23 – Easter Sunday. 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by the Rev. Margaret Hart. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 29 – 4:30 p.m., Roast beef dinner.
- 30 – 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.

### April

- 6 – 9 a.m., Executive Board. 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by the Rev. Margaret Hart. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 8 – 8:30 a.m., Worship Committee.
- 9 – 8:30 to 10 a.m., Central New York Cluster meets in Central Square.
- 12 – 10 a.m. to noon, Extended choir meeting.
- 13 – 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 16 – 9:30 a.m., Coffee and Chat at Panera Bread, Route 31, Clay.
- 19 – 9 a.m., All-day adult religious workshop, “The Haunting Church.”
- 20 – 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by the Rev. Margaret Hart. Earth Day celebration. 11 a.m., Religious education.
- 23-25 – The Rev. Hart will be away at the UUMA retreat.
- 25 – Gould Lecture presented by the Rev. Joel Miller at Binghamton UU.
- 26 – St. Lawrence Unitarian Universalist District Annual Assembly in Owego.
- 27 – 9:30 a.m., Choir practice. 10:30 a.m., Worship service led by Andrea Abbott, lay speaker. 11 a.m., Religious education.

### Regular meetings:

- Mondays – 6:30 p.m., Tai Chi. Kim Shuler-Teachout
- Tuesdays – 6:45 p.m., Chanting and Meditation. Tim Hart
- Wednesdays – 6:47 p.m., Men’s Group. Kurt Schindler
- Second Wednesday of the month – 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., CNY Cluster.
- Second Saturday of the month – 10 a.m. to noon, Extended choir meeting.
- Third Wednesday of the month – 9:30 a.m., Coffee and Chat at Panera Bread. Nancy Haskell / Chet Perkins

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