



August 17, 2016

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We're thrilled that James is finally here! His first Sunday in the pulpit will be September 11. James' office hours are Monday to Thursday 1 to 5 p.m. His email address is [minister@uucantonny.org](mailto:minister@uucantonny.org).

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Beginning Monday, August 22, there will be no church office hours (until further notice). Gwen will be checking email and voicemail and will be available by appointment.

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## CHURCH NEWS

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**Special Social Hour:** Our Summer at Hogwarts students and professors would like to invite you to join their Harry Potter-inspired feast immediately following the worship service this Sunday. Come enjoy butter beer, acid pops, chocolate covered frogs and more. We hope to see you there!

**Fair Share:** Each year our church makes a "Fair Share" pledge to the UUA and the St. Lawrence District in support of the many resources and services they provide. We need your help to meet that commitment. You should have received a [\*\*Fair Share appeal\*\*](#) from Stewardship Chair Bart Harloe and Budget and Finance Chair Milner Grimsled in the mail this week. Please respond as generously as you are able. Thanks!

**Church Elevator Upgrade!** The church's elevator no longer needs a key to operate. While the key holes remain, all keys have been removed. To call the elevator, push the call button. All other operations remain the same: close the wooden door; wait for the inner accordion door to automatically close; push button for desired floor. If elevator does not come when called, check to ensure that all the wooden doors are properly closed. If you have questions about the elevator, contact [\*\*Pete Beekman\*\*](#).

**An Invitation:** The Social Action Committee is having a "kick off" meeting on Monday, August 22, at 4:30 at the church. If social action is part of who you are, you are warmly invited to attend this meeting. The purpose is not to conscript you into a standing committee, but instead to do some important

brainstorming for the directions we'll pursue in the coming year. Knowing what you care about will help us a lot! Please come and offer your input on a range of issues in process and under consideration.

**Lost & Found:** The Building & Grounds Committee has assumed responsibility for lost and found items. The location of Lost & Found continues to be the shelf above the coat rack next the congregational administrator's office. B&G will inventory items each month and *items not claimed after one month will be donated to the Church and Community Program.*

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

**This Sunday:** Summer at Hogwarts continues. Children and youth will be creating a Harry Potter-themed feast to be shared with the congregation during social hour. [Details here.](#)



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## COMMUNITY NEWS

**GardenShare Fight Hunger 5k:** This past Sunday, GardenShare Executive Director Gloria McAdam was our pulpit guest to share her thoughts and experiences about solving the problem of hunger in our community. You can hear her sermon [here](#). You can help GardenShare's efforts to fight hunger by participating in this year's [Fight Hunger 5k Walk/Run](#) on Sunday, September 11.

### THIS SUNDAY

Sunday, August 21

10:30 a.m. Worship Service & Children's RE

[To Serve and Protect](#) - Rev. Dave Weissbard, Pulpit Guest

Greeters: Milner Grimsled, Julie VanDuyne, Jim & Stevie Michaelson

Lay Leader: Jon Montan

Kitchen Cabinet Advisor: Kate Whitehorne

Social Hour Hosts: Ron & Katie Boczarski, Esther Oey

Collection Counters: Jon Montan

[Click here](#) for the full schedule of Greeters & Social Hour Hosts

### THIS WEEK IN RE

RE Ambassador: Esther Katz

Nursery: Anna Dickinson

Hogwarts Professors: Janet McFarland, Jenn Whittaker and Carol  
Zimmerman

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### ***Thursday, August 18***

7:00 p.m., Budget & Finance Committee meeting

### ***Sunday, August 21***

10:30 a.m., Worship & Children's RE

### ***Monday, August 22***

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation with Charlie Bradt

**[click here](#)** for more info)

4:30 p.m., Social Action Committee "kick off" meeting

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