News & Information from the Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton



May 2016



A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

Worship services and religious education for children and youth begin at 10:30 a.m.

May 1 - Does it Really Matter?

Worship Committee member Robin Collen shares one of the sermons of Max Coots, who was minister of this church from 1958 to 1992. His words continue to give us much to ponder. *Greeters:* Wil & Rebecca Rivers, Bill Kirchgasser, Kathy Curro *Council Welcomers:* Todd Moe, Gary Hoose *Handbell Introit:* Carina Cook, Pat Gengo *Social Hour:* RE Sundae! *Worship Associate:* Robin Collen *RE Ambassador:* Dave Bradford *Collection Counters:* Ruth Baltus, Valerie Ingram *Library Table:* Joan Kepes

May 8 - A Religion That Goes Everywhere

Rev. James Galasinski, Ministerial Candidate Our culture is becoming less and less religious and more and more people have disdain for organized religion. Can we, the people of the free faith, reclaim the title of being religious in a relevant and meaningful way?

Greeters: Sara Ricalton, Carol & Tom Pynchon Council Welcomers: Dave Nelson, Katherine Brown Handbell Introit: Eileen Wheeler, Todd Moe Social Hour: Robert Carr & Patreesha Enders, Ben & Emily Dixon, Jason Shirtz, Pam & Bill Short Worship Associate: Doug Rubio RE Ambassador: Wil Rivers Collection Counters: Pat Gengo, Tim Opdyke Library Table: Helen & Roger Hutchinson

May 15 - The Spiritual Practice Of Change

Rev. James Galasinski, Ministerial Candidate Our world moves fast without regard for us. Even the Earth, our home, our constant, is also in flux. Yet, we live, move, and have our being in this fragile beauty of change. To stay attuned to these transitions, we must risk the adventure and struggle on into new ways of being. Greeters: Zoe Baker & David Schryver, Katherine & Bill Brown, Cole De Santis Council Welcomers: Gary Hoose, Julie Van Duyne Social Hour: Barney Gage, Tim & Carol Opdyke, Worship Associate: Doug Rubio RE Ambassador: Esther Katz Collection Counters: Jon Montan, Lorraine Olendzenski Library Table: Sara Ricalton

May 22 - Tai Chi: The Supreme Ultimate No Big Deal Sean Boutin, Pulpit Guest
A Master at North Country Tai Chi LLC, a traditional Tai Chi academy, Sean considers himself to be in line with contemplatives of Western religious thought and practice.
Greeters: Evelyn Barton, Paul Cutter, Todd Moe & Paul Siskind
Social Hour: Jan DeWaters & Stefan Grimberg, Gary & Sally Hoose, Byron Whitney
Worship Associate: Valerie Ingram
RE Ambassador: Rhonda Rodriguez
Collection Counters: Lonie Bogett, Will Siegfried
Library Table: Dave Nelson

May 29 - Looking Back, Looking Forward Rev. Joel Miller, Interim Minister Greeters: Laura Brown, Erik & Jenn Whittaker Social Hour: Rebecca & Tim Weld, Eileen & Tom Wheeler, JoAnn & Lowell McAllister Worship Associate: Doug Rubio RE Ambassador: Maria Dickinson Collection Counters: Valerie Ingram, Lorraine Olendzenski



Welcome Rev. James Galasinski CANDIDATING WEEK May 8 – May 15

THE VERY LATEST FROM THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

Rev. James Galasinski is our ministerial candidate and we are so excited! Learn more about James here: www.uucantonny.org/our-church/ministerial-search/





James and his family will be flying in from Albuquerque, NM, on Friday, May 6, arriving in Canton late that night. On Saturday, May 7, the Search Committee and Church Council will officially welcome James and his family to Canton. The week of May 8 to 15 will be full! Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend Candidating Week activities. The Search Committee has worked to create multiple opportunities for members of our congregation to meet, speak with, and answer questions of Rev. James.

Candidating Week Calendar

Everyone is welcome to those events in yellow highlight; we encourage

you to come to as many of these events as you are able! Events in **blue highlight** are small-group meetings for James with our committees, staff, etc. Details about some of these events can be found on the following page.

"Blank" areas are scheduled to give James time to prepare and to have time with his family. He and Ulrike will do some exploring of the area on their own and have meetings with realtors. Throughout the week, Search Committee and Church Council members will be checking in with James and his family.

Sunday,	Monday,	Tuesday,	Wednesday,	Thursday,	Friday,	Saturday,	Sunday,
May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15
10:30 Our Church Service		9:00 Meet with Carol Zimmerman, RE Director	8:00 Building and Grounds Committee			8:30-12:00 Building and Grounds Spring Clean-Up Work Day	10:30 Our Church Service
		10:30 Morning Coffee with for our senior	10:00 Library Committee			9:00 Meet with Rev. Kathleen Buckley, SLU Chaplain	
		members	11:00 Caring Circle			10:00 Meet with Youth Group	
12:00 All-Church Potluck Lunch		12:00 Personnel Committee	12:00 Social Action Committee	12:00 Lunch meeting with Gwen Cunningham, Congregational Administrator		12:00 UUShare Gardens and Environmental Action Committees	Congregational Meeting and Vote
A – G salad H – R main dish S – Z dessert		2:00 Communications Committee	2:00 All Staff meeting	2:00 Meet with Nelly Case and Carol Strome, Music			
			4:00 Religious Education Committee	4:00 Budget & Finance, Stewardship Committees			James, Ulricke, and Miles leave Canton.
		5:00 Welcoming Committee	5:30 Pizza Party in Social Room, provided by Search Committee &		5:30 All-Church Potluck Dinner		
			Church Council.		A – F dessert G – Q salad R – Z main dish		
		8:00 "Theology on Tap" at St. Lawrence Brewing Co.	7:00 Meeting with Church Council	7:00 Worship Committee			

Candidating Events for the Congregation

Sunday, May 8

10:30 a.m. Church Service

12 noon Potluck lunch for all! Please bring your own dishes and the following, based on the first letter of your last name: A - G: salad, H - R: main dish, S - Z: dessert.

Tuesday, May 10

10:30 a.m. Morning coffee with Rev. James for our senior members; this event will be held at the church.

8:00 p.m. "Theology on Tap" at the St. Lawrence Brewing Company (19 Commerce Lane #4, Canton). James has done numerous sessions of Theology on Tap in his ministry - "Come for a libation and stay for the conversation." Ken Hebb will generously open the place just for us (the Brewery is not normally open on Tuesdays). Please bring some friends – UU or "other!"

Wednesday, May 11

5:30 p.m. Pizza party for all in our Social Room, provided by the Search Committee and Church Council.

Friday, May 13

5:30 p.m. Potluck dinner for all! Please bring your own dishes and the following, based on the first letter of your last name (note, these are different "assignments" from the previous potluck): A - F: dessert, G - Q: salad, R - Z: main dish.

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Saturday, May 14

8:30 a.m. - 12 noon B&G Spring Clean-Up Work Day

Sunday May 15

10:30 a.m. Church Service12 noon Congregational Meeting and *vote to call Rev.James to be our minister.*

Vote To Call Our New Minister

After the Sunday service on May 15, the congregation-wide vote will be conducted by Church Council. To comply with the Church's bylaws and ensure a valid ministerial selection, we emphatically urge you to be present for the vote if you are able. Voting to accept a minister is a longstanding practice and important historical principle in Unitarian Universalism. This distinguishes us from many other religious traditions whose ministers are appointed from a central authority. The UU idea of *congregational polity*, where each congregation votes for its own minister, is still a radical idea in 21st century USA. It is also essential to our fifth principle, "The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large." For more on congregational polity see Joel's column and visit www.uua.org/governance/polity/47000.shtml.

Thank Yous!

Many thanks to those who have offered housing, transportation, and food during Candidating Week. We have most of these requests filled by your generous offers. **We do still need a car seat for a 20- to 25-pound child.** Is there one in your attic, garage, or basement? Contact anyone on the Search Committee if you find one.

More thanks to all who cooked, baked, and delivered delicious dinners and lunches during the four precandidating weekends. They not only "showed-off" our thoughtful and culinarily-talented congregation, the meals were enjoyed by each pre-candidate and the Search Committee. This is stimulating work - apparently for our appetites as well!

Search Process Goes On...

To see where we are in the process, you have several options: (1) look at the huge Timeline in the Social Room; (2) see the Timeline online at www.uucantonny.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/SC-Timeline4.pdf (3) view the entire Search Process, which began in November 2014, on the church website; and (4) take copies of our latest updates from the document box next to our bulletin board in the Social Room.

You can contact the Search Committee with any questions at search@uucantonny.org.

Jon Montan (chair), Erika Barthelmess, Kim Bouchard, Rajiv Narula, Jenn Whittaker, Theresa Witmer, Pete Wyckoff

IN THE INTERIM - REV. JOEL REPORTS

You as a congregation, will have an opportunity for your members to vote on whether to "call" your next minister at the special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, May 15. Several members asked me why the Ministerial Search Committee can't just make the decision.

The congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations (the official name of the UUA) have, through our Unitarian spiritual ancestors, deep roots in the Puritan and Pilgrim congregations of New England. These congregations were first founded on the principle that God's intent was best understood through the conversations in community. There were not then, nor are there now, special authorities that choose ministers for a UU congregation. Or who own the property or authorize some correct wording to be used in Sunday services. The technical term for this way of being a religious community is "congregational polity."

This heritage of congregational polity is why most ministers in our congregations are called by the people of the congregation. There are some ministers – assistant ministers in large congregations or interim ministers, for example – whose ministry in a congregation is delegated, respectively, to a senior minister or to a governing board/council. But your Church Council doesn't have the authority to call a settled minister. Only the members of your congregation have that authority.

I urge you to attend the May 15 meeting and participate in a tradition of religious freedom that is now nearly 500 years old.

Rev. Joel, Interim Minister

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Candidating Week is almost here, as you read above. I am sure you all share my curiosity and excitement to finally meet the Rev. James Galasinski, after this intensive year of search. If you haven't already checked out his website (www.jamesgalasinski.com), I urge you to do so.

The Search Committee has a full calendar of events for James' week with us. Please take advantage of the different events that the entire congregation is invited to. This week is designed for extensive interaction between the congregation and the ministerial candidate, and I encourage you to attend as many events as possible, to ask questions, and to listen to what James has to tell us.

The culmination of this week is the congregational vote that will be held on Sunday, May 15, following the service. In their article, the Search Committee expounds on the history and significance of the traditional UU vote to call a minister. It is the final step of the search process, and signifies, in a very tangible way, our commitment to the Rev. Galasinski. All those who have signed the membership book are eligible to vote on the 15th. A quorum of members (in the case of calling a minister 40 percent of our membership or about 80 members) will be required to hold this vote, perhaps the most important action a congregation will take. Voting takes place using paper ballots, and our bylaws specify that 80 percent of the members present must vote yes for the congregation to officially call the Rev. Galasinski. It is important to note that the UUA Transitions Office, which coordinates the search process, states in its Settlement Handbook that it "normally discourages ministers from accepting less than 90 percent."

Again, I encourage you to study the Candidating Week schedule for opportunities to meet and learn about our candidate. The end *is* in sight!

Barbara Beekman, Church Council President

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PONDERINGS

As we enter May, the RE Committee and I are in the midst of planning for the 2016-2017 education year. As I have mentioned in past articles, we are looking at theme-based religious education programming, UU jam models, and service learning for engaging our children and youth in religious education. Beginning May 1, we will be recruiting nursery care providers, teachers, assistants, and youth group advisors. According to Tracey L. Hurd, Ph.D., psychologist, writer, and former UUA Lifespan Faith Development staff, "one of the best ways to affirm our ministry with children and youth is to illuminate the complex and wonderful ways that teaching in a religious education program is a faith-development experience for those teaching. Working with children and youth, teacher-leader-facilitators grow in faith and in community."

I have heard from many volunteers that the gifts and knowledge they gain through volunteering truly deepen their faith and UU values. Our volunteers spend five or six Sundays over the course of the year with our children and youth. We utilize UUA-developed curricula to support volunteers in teaching ageappropriate lessons. There are always two adults in each classroom and most classes have five to seven children or youth. Our religious education program is deeply valued; the RE Committee and I hope you will consider growing your faith by becoming or continuing to be part of the religious education program. *Carol Zimmerman, Director of Religious Education*

What's Coming Up in May in Religious Education?

Sunday, May 1 - Ice Cream Sundae Sunday
Saturday, May 7 - Religious Education Multi-site Meeting with Plattsburgh and Saranac Lake Congregations
Tuesday, May 10 - Second Tuesday Chalice Circle Gathering
Wednesday, May 11 - RE Committee meeting with Rev. James, our Ministerial Candidate
Saturday, May 14 - Youth Group Meeting with Rev. James
Wednesday, May 18 - RE Committee meeting
Sunday, May 22 - Religious Education Sunday practice for all RE classes
Sunday, May 29 - Religious Education Fun Day

RE Sundae!

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! Join the Religious Education Committee during social hour on Sunday, May 1, to make your own sundae and get information about the 2016-2017 religious education program.

- Take time to look at next year's curriculum, and talk to RE Committee members and staff about how you can get involved.
- Sign up to help with the RE program. We need teachers, assistant teachers, childcare providers, and youth group leaders. Or share a skill or idea beyond these jobs.
- > If you won't be there to sign up, contact Carol Zimmerman at church.

Have fun with congregational interviews with 2nd to 4th graders during Social Hour!



THANK YOU THANK YOU...

- + The April 5 blood drive was especially successful. Many thanks to Pat Dunkelberg, Linda Kenny, Margaret Mauch, and Debs Kalicin for their help with registering and hosting.
- + Wil Rivers for helping out with the RE Fun Day in late March.
- + The Religious Education Committee members for covering for DRE Carol Zimmerman in her absence.
- For their help with the April 16 workday and post workday efforts: Kathy Wyckoff, Judy DeGraff, Barb Beekman, Jan de Waters, Felix Grimberg, Stefan Grimberg, Shelia Cerwonka, Bobbi Haldane, David Bradford, Bill Hurd, Ryan Hicks, Jim Rudd, Erik Whittaker, Pat Glover, Gary Hoose, and Roger Hutchinson.

JOYS & SORROWS

+ Ed Hildebrand has been at Riverledge, one of the United Helpers facilities in Ogdensburg, for a couple of months now, and will be there for the foreseeable future. Although Ed is physically weak, he is mentally quite sharp and clearheaded, and appreciates visitors very much. If you are going to be in Ogdensburg, or would consider making a trip there to see Ed, you may want to call Riverledge first (393-0730) to let Ed know you are coming. Riverledge is located at 8101 State Highway 68, Ogdensburg.

SOCIAL ACTION ROUNDUP

Focus on Voter Rights

During the 2016 election season, our Unitarian Universalist faith calls on us to use the values of dignity, equality, justice, compassion, and conscience to guide our actions as voters. As each of us considers how we will vote in November, we must take our values with us into the voting booth, and support those who stand up for social justice and who respect our democratic processes. Many issues command our attention and efforts to create a better nation and world, issues such as escalating inequalities, voter suppression, immigration, global climate change, racial/ethnic justice, mass incarceration, and the effective resolution of national and international conflicts.

The Social Action Committee's goal is to to focus on questions of access to voting here and throughout the state and nation during the next six months. In June, we will stand up for our values by conducting a voter registration at the Dairy Princess Festival (Saturday, June 4). Our goal is to assure that every eligible voter is able to register to vote. If you would like to be involved, please email socialaction@uucantonny.org.

In September, we will show a new documentary produced by the Southern Poverty Law Center, called "Selma: The Bridge to the Ballot," leading up to a final push on voter registration and education. While the issues related to voter suppression are likely different here than in other parts of the country, there are barriers to the vote here that we will help remove. We also will partner with other local groups to assure that every voter is educated about the candidates' commitments on the issues they most care about. Watch for more during this unpredictable election year!

Eileen Raymond, Co-Chair, Social Action Committee

Social Action Network Volunteers

The Social Action Committee is updating its network of volunteers who would like to know about occasional opportunities for social action. This is not a committee! It's a great option for busy people who have time only for a one-off occasion of helping now and then. If you haven't already joined, please follow <u>www.uucantonny.org/social-justice/volunteering-in-social-justice</u> for more information about the goals of this network and to register.

Feed the Need

The six churches that make up the Church and Community Program collect non-perishable items of food to support that food pantry. These on-going contributions are essential to the strength of the C&CP operation. These items may be placed in the wooden box marked "Feed the Need," which sits in the corner of our Social Room. With our collection, we UUs also support the Canton schools Bear-Pack program, which provides food for school children for over weekends. If you are like others and simply have trouble remembering about this, please pick up a yellow, laminated wallet card as a reminder when you shop; the card suggests items, but feel free to introduce variety – as you would for your own family! (Cards are available on the table opposite the church office)

Pat Alden, Co-Chair, Social Action Committee

COFFEE, CONVERSATION & MORE

The next session of our new adult discussion program, Coffee, Conversation & More, will be on Sunday, May 8, at 9:15 in the Romer Room. We have been holding these discussions for an hour on the second and fourth Sundays each month since January. The topic varied each time, but the discussion has always been lively, the coffee (and goodies) hot ... and child care available!

On May 8 we will discuss "Choices at the End of Life." As a follow up to the Common Read discussion of Atul Gawande's book *Being Mortal* earlier this year, members of the Library Committee will help us continue the discussion of end of life issues. Please read the article in the Spring 2016 issue of the UU World entitled "Choice at the End" by Elaine McArdle (p.24) and come share your thoughts and experiences. The article is available online (www.uuworld.org/articles/choice-end) and a few copies will be available in the Coots Library. We all face such issues multiple times during our lives, whether it involves a family member, close friend, or ourselves. Our UU faith provides many supports during these times, and this session will highlight some of the many resources our Coots Library Memorial Collection has to offer us.

A reminder: "Coffee, Conversation and More" will be on vacation for the summer but will be back in September. Please speak to any of the planning group members if you want to suggest a topic that you think would create deep conversation.

SPRING CHURCH WORK DAY

As luck would have it this year's annual spring cleaning work day - Saturday, May 14, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. - will take place during Candidating Week, providing a perfect opportunity to demonstrate to ministerial candidate James Galasinski our commitment to our church. The good news is a number of tasks have been completed, but we still have raking, weeding, edging, and mulching to finish. A thorough cleaning and reorganization of the block room is a priority. To sign up for the work day please use the following link www.uucantonny.org/committees/buildings-and-grounds/help-wanted or sign up with a B&G Committee member in the Social Room after Sunday services on May 1 and 8. Many hands make short work so please sign-up...we can use all the help we can get.

Pete Beekman, Chair, Building & Grounds Committee

CHILI COOKOFF COMING THIS MONTH

The Stewardship Committee is hosting a Chili Cook-off on Saturday, May 21, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the church. This family-friendly, festive event will foster community in our congregation and also help us raise \$2,000 needed for the 2016 operating budget (a higher amount was in the budget the congregation approved in January, but some additional contributions have since been received). A friendly competition amongst chili cooks will be part of the evening, and we are also planning a Delicious Dessert Auction.

There will be an opportunity to help out in many ways. We will need creative chili cookers and dessert devotees, but we also need you! Please mark this date on your calendar and start thinking about your entry or the varieties you will possibly taste.

More information will be available as we get closer to this event. But for now if you have any questions, please contact either Bart or Margaret. UUs love to share food and this event promises to be a very fun time together!

Bart Harloe, Chair, Stewardship

IF YOU LOVE MUSIC, WE NEED YOU!

At our Music Committee meeting last week we shared the good news that our new minister is a musician. But then we had to deal with the bad news that Nelly Case is leaving as Music Director and we do not have anyone to replace her this year.

Don't worry, it will not be a year of no music. We will have a guest organist once a month and on the other Sundays musicians from within our church and outside of it will add to the spoken words of the service.

It will be a group effort of the Music Committee to make sure each Sunday has music. This is an important task and we need a few more volunteers on the committee. We're looking for people who love music and who may know local musicians, but are not necessarily musicians themselves.

For this interim year volunteer on the Music Committee will have two or three Sundays throughout the year when they are responsible for the music for the service. We have a good stable of pianists in our church so it shouldn't be difficult to find someone to play the hymns. The exciting part of this job will be working with the minister to work out themes and goals of each service and to find musicians to match those ideas.

Please consider joining the Music Committee for this special one-year commitment. Help us welcome our new minister by showing him the diversity of music and musicians in the North Country. Thanks. *Betsy Kepes, Music Committee Chair*

SACRED SITES OPEN HOUSE

On Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22, our church will be joining with the other member churches of the Church and Community Program as we participate in the 6th Annual Sacred Sites Open House (www.informavore.com/testing/nylcweb) sponsored by the New York Landmarks Conservancy (www.nylandmarks.org). Our church will be open for visitors from 1 to 3 p.m. both days. Participating in the open house is a great opportunity for us to showcase the unique history of our faith community here in St. Lawrence County. We hope many of our members will drop in and learn a bit about our church's history, and that you will bring visitors who may be in town for commencement weekend at St. Lawrence University and SUNY Potsdam.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT DISSOLVED

A few weeks ago, Rev. Joel lit a candle to recognize the St. Lawrence District that has served us well, and to share the news of the historic dissolution vote taken at District Assembly. By an overwhelming majority, District Assembly delegates voted to dissolve the district in favor of creating a Central East Region by merging with three neighboring districts: Ohio Meadville, Metro New York, and Joseph Priestly. As a result, the arbitrary boundaries that had separated us and created a no-longer-necessary level of bureaucracy have been erased and the interconnected web of Unitarian Universalism has been strengthened.

Not so long ago, the St. Lawrence District office had three part-time staff to support 35 congregations across New York State. In fact, it was the St. Lawrence District Executive, Tom Chulak, who began the regionalization conversation by suggesting that there had to be a better way to support our congregations. Over the past few years, the boards of these four districts have worked with the extraordinary UUA staff to create a more efficient and effective way to provide services to congregations. As a result, all the congregations in our former district now have access to 13 staff members, 12 of whom are full time, and a much broader range of expertise.

But regionalization involves more than staffing, and last year the Transition Team, on which I serve, crafted a Memorandum of Understanding between the Central East Region and the UUA. This very detailed document, available at <u>www.uua.org/central-east/regionalization/memorandum-understanding</u>, outlines and safeguards plans for the region's governance, finances and stewardship as well as staff.

With the dissolution, District Assemblies will no longer be an annual event. But trainings, workshops, and youth cons will continue and small groupings or clusters of congregations will be nurtured to make stronger and deeper connections. In addition, planning is underway to create an annual gathering that will support interconnections and fellowship among congregations, and continue important and long-honored traditions. One such event that is unique to the St. Lawrence District Assembly is the Gould Discourse. Ministers from our district nominate one of their outstanding colleagues to deliver this discourse; previous speakers include Max Coots, Richard Gilbert, Wade Wheelock, Anne Marsh, and Joel Miller. Although the exact name and date of the gathering is yet to be determined, the ministers of the St. Lawrence Chapter of the UUMA have nominated the Rev. Richard Gilbert to deliver the 2017 Gould Discourse.

The vote to dissolve the district in favor of the region may seem distant and somewhat removed from our congregation, but it is an important practical, strategic, and spiritual step forward. Not only does this plan make better and more responsible use of financial, professional, and lay volunteer resources, it also affirms our seventh principle of interdependence and honors the covenant that exists among congregations. We are members of a UU family that extends beyond our congregational walls and the formation of the region will allow us to nurture and support this UU family so Unitarian Universalism will continue to grow and thrive for us, our neighbors, and our children.

Margaret Harloe, SLD Board Vice President/DA Delegate , CERG Transition Team

If you would like to receive weekly electronic news updates, please email: **office@uucantonny.org** Deadline for next newsletter: **Monday, May 23**

ON THE CALENDAR

(see calendar on page 2 for Candidating Week events and activities)

Sunday, May 1 9:30 a.m., UShare meeting 10:30 a.m., Worship and Children's RE 11:30 a.m., RE Sundae

Monday, May 2 Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesday, May 4 10:00 a.m., Library work day 6:30 p.m., Church Council meeting

Thursday, May 5 4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir rehearsal

Sunday, May 8 9:15 a.m., Coffee, Conversation and More 10:30 a.m., Worship and Children's RE

Monday, May 9 Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Tuesday, May 10 12:00 p.m., Personnel Committee meeting 2:00 p.m., Communications Committee meeting 5:00 p.m., Welcoming Committee meeting 7:00 p.m., Chalice Circle

Wednesday, May 11 8:00 a.m., Building & Grounds Committee meeting 10:00 a.m., Library Committee meeting

Thursday, May 12 4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir rehearsal 7:00 p.m., Worship Committee meeting

Saturday, May 14 9:00 a.m., Spring Church Work Day **Sunday, May 15** 10:30 a.m., Worship & Children's RE 11:30 a.m., Congregational Meeting

Monday, May 16 Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesday, May 18 10:00 a.m., Library work day 6:30 p.m., Religious Education Committee meeting

Thursday, May 19 4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir rehearsal 7:00 p.m., Budget & Finance Committee meeting

Saturday, May 21 1:00 p.m., Sacred Sites Open House 5:30 p.m., Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, May 22 9:15 a.m., Coffee, Conversation and More 10:30 a.m., Worship and RE 1:00 p.m., Sacred Sites Open House

Monday, May 23 *NEWSLETTER DEADLINE* Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Tuesday, May 24 7:00 p.m., Stewardship Committee meeting

Wednesday, May 25 10:00 a.m., Library work day

Thursday, May 26 4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir rehearsal

Sunday, May 29 10:30 a.m., Worship and RE



The Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton

Interim Minister, Rev. Joel Miller Carol Zimmerman, Director of Religious Education Nelly Case, Music Director Gwen Cunningham, Congregational Administrator The Reverends Anne Marsh and Wade Wheelock, Ministers Emeritus

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