



November 22, 2017

THIS SUNDAY
November 26, 2017

10:30 a.m., **Curiosity, Creativity, and the Need to Fail** -
Peter Wyckoff, Pulpit Guest

Greeters: Tim & Carol Opdyke, Jerry Bregg,
Devin Farkas & Marielle Matthews

Lay Leader: Robin Collen

Social Hour Hosts: Mark Berninghausen, Rich Fennessey & Carmen
Stuart Fennesy, Jeff & Kiley Frank

Collection Counters: Lonie Bogett, Valerie Ingram

When are YOU scheduled to host or greet?

Check the full 2017-2018 schedule today:

[Greeters and Social Hour Hosts](#)

CHURCH NEWS

Canvass Update: As of Monday we have received financial commitments from 86 units totaling \$222,859 or 90% of our \$245,000 goal. Individual canvassing of members and friends wraps up this week. Letters were mailed last week to members and friends who either prefer to be canvassed by mail or who have moved from the North Country but continue to support us. After Thanksgiving members of the stewardship committee will phone folks we have not heard from regarding a commitment to our 2018 Canvass. If you would like to make a pledge online please visit our **[website](#)** and click on "**[DONATE](#)**" in the upper right corner of the home page.

Holiday Pageant: Calling all aspiring and accomplished actors and singers for our Holiday Pageant! Sign up for speaking, non-speaking, choral and support roles today during Social Hour.

Giving Tree: The Church and Community Program is organizing its annual Giving Tree initiative, serving low-income families. Tags will soon be available so that you can buy a toy or article of clothing for a specific child. Also available will be tags indicating a monetary donation to the program for additional gifts, books, etc. We are including a new element in Giving Tree, which will help all of our families --- including those who do not have children - to purchase food for a holiday meal. These tags ask for a \$25 donation. CCP is partnering with Save-a-Lot on this new aspect of Giving Tree.

Sharing our Love, Sharing our Ministries: Stick around after the worship service on Sunday, December 3 to learn more about all the committees who make this congregation great. Learn more [here](#).

Unique Gift Ideas: If you're looking for some unique gift ideas this holiday season, don't forget about the various items you can purchase from the church to benefit our general fund. Find more information [here](#).

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

This Sunday: Our children and youth will enjoy a fun day. We will be creating holiday decorations. [Learn more here](#).



MakerSpace Democracy Project: Our MakerSpace class is currently learning about democracy. They have been given funds to support a project that supports our UU values. They have determined three projects they would like to fund and will be sharing their views with the other RE classes this Sunday in an effort to raise awareness of this project and the pending vote they will be asking the classes to participate in on Sunday, December 10. This Sunday, all classes will be attending a forum discussion at 11:45am and will end at noon. Please look for your child in the social room after our forum.

Check out this week's [faith development inspirations](#).

IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION THIS WEEK

Acting DRE and RE Ambassador: Esther Katz

Nursery: Grace Rousell, Maria Dickinson

Fun Day Advisors: Glen Butler, Heather Rousell, Claire Rousell,
Madeline Rousell

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

Red Cross Blood Drive: The next drive will take place on Tuesday, December 5 beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Social Room. You can make an appointment online [here](#).

Ring the Bell: The Salvation Army Kettle program is looking for volunteers to ring the bell at the Price Chopper in Canton. If you can help, sign up [here](#).

Church and Community Program: Read their latest newsletter [here](#) and don't forget to "Feed the Need" by filling our box in the social room.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Food Festival: Temple Beth El in Potsdam is holding their annual Food Festival on Sunday, December 3 from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

A Barbershop Christmas: The Canton Goldenaires and Acapella North will hold a concert on Monday, December 4 at 7 p.m. here in the Sanctuary. Admission is free, but non-perishable items to benefit the Church and Community Program are encouraged. Contact Jim Michaelson or Ben Budelmann for more information.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday, November 26

10:30 a.m., Worship & RE Fun Day

Monday, November 27

Office will be closed today

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesday, November 29

10:00 a.m., Library Work Day

7:00 p.m., Stewardship Committee Meeting

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