



December 6, 2017

THIS SUNDAY
December 10, 2017

10:30 a.m., **The Curriculum is the Congregation**
The Rev. James Galasinski

Please note: There will be a discussion of the sermon
10 minutes after the service.

Greeters: Rebecca & Tim Weld, JoAnn & Lowell McAllister
Worship Associate: Doug Rubio
Social Hour Hosts: Evelyn Barton, Carol & Tom Pynchon,
Maria Dickinson
Collection Counters: Pat Gengo, Tim Opdyke

When are YOU scheduled to host or greet?
Check the full 2017-2018 schedule today:
Greeters and Social Hour Hosts

CHURCH NEWS

Canvass Update: Our 2018 Canvass has reached \$242,705 from 115 units, 99% of our \$245,000 goal. If you would like to make a pledge and help us reach our goal, please use **this link**, **email the office** or call Sara at 315-386-2498. Please join us this Sunday for a final announcement, THANKS, volunteer recognition, and celebratory cake during social hour.

Deck the Halls! Please join us on Saturday, December 9 at 10 a.m. to decorate the church for this holiday season.

Giving Tree: All giving tree gifts must be dropped off at the church by this Sunday, December 10.

Holiday Appeal: Again this year offerings received at our holiday services will go to support the Church and Community Program. If you didn't see James' letter describing the program, our commitment, and how to make our donation, you can find it **here**.

Winter Solstice Service: On Thursday, December 21 at 5:30 p.m. there will be a family-friendly Winter Solstice service followed by a simple meal of soup and bread. Volunteers are needed to bring soup, bread, or cookies; please

contact Carol Gable by December 17 if you can help.

Holiday Shopping Ideas: Check out these ["locally sourced" gift ideas](#) - note cards, a Max Coots book and poster, suncatcher - that just might make perfect stocking stuffers for our UU friends and family!

Don't Forget Your Name Tag! And be sure to check out the beautiful new cabinet in the Social Room. Click [here](#) to learn more about the local artist who built it and see photos of the installation. If you need a new name tag, let Sara in the [church office](#) know.

Your [December Newsletter](#) is here!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

This Sunday: Our children and youth will hear a story about a snowflake, continue exploring ideas about the Golden Rule, tally a vote, make plans for an OWL celebration, and discuss heresy. [Learn more here.](#)



MakerSpace Democracy Project: The vote is this Sunday, December 10. Please click [here](#) to hear the voting options and how they support our UU values.

Holiday Pageant Rehearsal Schedule: Join us for pageant rehearsal Sunday, December 10 at noon and again on Sunday, December 17 at 9:30am. We will perform the pageant on Sunday, December 17 at 10:30am. Please contact Carol via [email](#) with any questions.

OWL Celebration: Parents of our OWL program participants are requested to join in an end of program celebration this Sunday, December 10 at 1pm. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Youth will be presenting their favorite parts of the program. Please RSVP [here](#).

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

IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION THIS WEEK

RE Ambassador: Jeff Frank

Nursery: Jennifer Sorensen, Katie Boczarski

Spirit Play: Shelby Hunkins, Cara Coffin

Moral Tales: Eileen Wheeler, Eileen Raymond

Maker Space: Anna Sorensen, Danny Thomas

OWL/Neighboring Faiths: Jan DeWaters, Jim Williams,
Debra Mitchell

Youth Group: Laura Foster, Gabrielle Clover

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

Church and Community Program: The thrift shop needs some substitute

volunteers in February, March and April to help cover their snowbird regulars. If you could help out this winter, please contact Carol Linn or call C&CP at 315-386-5354. To learn more, read their latest newsletter [here](#).

Social Action Committee: The next meeting will be on Monday, December 11 at 7 p.m. A representative from a local foundation will be there to discuss a possible grant proposal. We especially encourage everyone to come and provide input.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Campus Kitchens: The program that offers free meals here on Monday nights always needs extra volunteers during the holidays when students are away from campus. If you can volunteer to help out, please sign up [online](#) for the shifts that work for you.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, December 9

10:30 a.m., Decorate the Church

Sunday, December 10

9:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal

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

11:40 a.m., Discussion with the Rev. James Galasinski

Noon, Children's Choir Rehearsal

Noon, Holiday Pageant Rehearsal

Monday, December 11

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

7:00 p.m., Social Action Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 12

1:00 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting

4:30 p.m., Welcoming Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m., Second Tuesday Chalice Circle

Wednesday, December 13

4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir Practice

7:00 p.m., UU Men's Group

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