

# UU News to Know

January 1, 2020

## THIS SUNDAY

January 5, 2020

10:30 a.m. **Tugging on Indra's Net**  
Teresa Veramendi, Pulpit Guest

**Lay Leader:** Dave Nelson

**RE Ambassador:** Jim Williams

**Greeters:** Kevin Ball & Ruth Baltus, Miles Manchester, Pat Gengo

**Social Hour Hosts:** Jim & Stevie Michaelson, Dotty Hall, Ben  
Budelmann

**Collection Counters:** Ruth Baltus, David Doran

*When are you scheduled as a social hour host or greeter?*

**[Check the schedule here.](#)**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, January 5

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

### Monday, January 6

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

### Tuesday, January 7

4:15 p.m., Welcoming Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m., Canvass Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, January 8

8:00 a.m., Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir Practice

6:30 p.m., Church Council Meeting

## CHURCH NEWS

**[Conversation Tips for Climate Deniers](#)** : If you're looking for a way to discuss climate change over the holidays, be sure to check out these 6 tips developed by our Climate Crisis Group.

**[Grace House](#)**: is seeking donations of personal hygiene products, cleaning supplies, and paper products for the women who have just arrived at the house. Please place your donations in the purple Grace House bin in the social room.

**Campus Kitchens Help:** Volunteer to help serve the community meals

offered here on Monday nights, January 6 and January 13. Sign up for a shift on the social room closet door or contact Carol Pynchon for more info.

**In Search of Pen Pals:** A few people currently incarcerated in the North Country have requested penpals from our congregation. This is a great way to live our mission from the comfort of your home by letting know someone on the "inside" that they are not forgotten. Contact [Teresa Veramendi](#) for more info.

**Gift Card Scam:** If you receive an email that appears to come from the church or minister requesting that you buy gift cards, it is a scam. We do not ask for gift card donations. You can always contact the office directly if you have questions.

**Save the Date:** *Building Beloved Community Beyond the Binary*, an annual conference at the [First Unitarian Universalist Society of Syracuse](#) is scheduled for February 8, 2020, with Keynote Speaker [Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, PhD](#). See the postcard in our social room for more information.

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

**This Sunday:** Our children and youth will hear a story about solstice, continue considering human nature, begin exploring immigration and slavery, explore sexuality and disability and have fun learning UU history. [Learn more here.](#)



**Please Register Your Child(ren):** Take a moment to register your child(ren) for the 2019-2020 religious education year. [Click here.](#)

### IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION THIS WEEK

**RE Ambassador:** Jim Williams  
**Nursery:** Gabrielle Clover, Kevin Ball  
**Spirit Play:** Wil Rivers, Lois Cutter  
**Love Will Guide Us:** Eileen Wheeler, Janet McFarland  
**MakerSpace:** Ron Tavernier, Pat Glover  
**Jr High OWL:** Arthur Freeheart, Kelly Johnson-Eilola  
**Youth Group:** Ben Hunkins, Julie VanDuyne



Read about this month's events in our

**January Newsletter**

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**#HALTSolitary:** Attend a day of action in Albany on Tuesday, January 21st. This is a chance to talk to legislators about more humane alternatives to long term solitary confinement. Add your voice! Contact **Teresa Veramendi** for more information.

**UU the Vote:** If you would like to join the UUA's campaign to #VOTELove and #DEFEATHATE in 2020, you can text VOTELove to 51555 or **sign up online.**

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