



September 2, 2020

THIS SUNDAY
September 6, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Wearing Masks for Each Other

The Rev. James Galasinski

Click here for instructions on how to join virtual worship on Sunday

CHURCH NEWS

What's your passion? If you have a hobby, interest, or expertise that you would enjoy sharing with a small group of like-minded people, please **email Sara** right away. We are hoping to organize a number small groups to begin the church year, and we need you to make it happen.

Pictures for Ingathering Worship: We will be celebrating ingathering and water communion on Sunday, September 13 via Zoom. To celebrate our connections to water, please submit a picture of yourself or your family with a water source that holds meaning for or is important to you. Please **email** or text them to Carol (315)212-2800 not later than Monday, September 7th.

Teaching Ministry Workshop: The Religious Education Program will be exploring new methods of ministry and we value your participation. Please join us for one of the three available workshops via **Zoom** on Sunday, September 6 at 1pm, Wednesday, September 9 at 7pm and Saturday, September 12 at 9am.

Sacred Text and Coffee is back! Join the Rev. James Galasinski via Zoom on Tuesday, September 8 at 9am to read from the Tao Te Ching and discuss its meaning over a cup of coffee.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Even though we humans aren't able to gather during this time of social distancing, stuffed animals still can! There will be a Stuffed Animal Sleepover at UU Canton the weekend of September 18-20. Please register your stuffed animal in advance, so we can have a name tag for them. Use this online form - **<https://forms.gle/nVcVscJH5kjNNzhN8>**.

Nominating Committee is taking nominations for leadership positions on next year's Church Council. If you know a member who you think would help lead our congregation and represents our UU values please contact Eden

Terrell.

[Sign up here](#) to send 30 postcards with [Reclaim Our Vote](#), the only organization focusing on voters of color removed from voter rolls in voter suppression states. We will get you all the materials to make a big difference from home!

Learn about [The History of the KKK in St. Lawrence County](#) by attending the First Presbyterian Church of Potsdam's event Thursday, September 3rd, at 7:30pm.

[Venmo](#): If you are looking for an easy way to [donate](#) to the cash offering on Sundays, or pay your pledge, we now have an [account with Venmo](#).

[BREATHE Act](#): The Faith in Action Group encourages you to attend webinars offered by the UUSC regarding the BREATHE Act.

BLM rallies are still happening in Potsdam everyday at 6 p.m. in front of the Potsdam Post Office. RSVP and share the event on Facebook [here](#).

THE WEEK AHEAD

NOTE: The church building remains closed. All gatherings will take place virtually. Links and instructions to participate below.

Thursday, September 3

7:00 p.m., Canvass Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 6

10:30 a.m., Worship

1:00 p.m., Teaching Ministry Workshop

Monday, September 7

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Tuesday, September 8

9:00 a.m., Sacred Text and Coffee

Wednesday, September 9

7:00 p.m., Teaching Ministry Workshop

FAITH ENGAGEMENT NEWS

Faith Engagement at Home

Books and Cooks - Hear a true story of a Kenyan environmental activist. Then make the Kenyan dish Irio--featuring mashed sweet potato, peas and corn. Check it out on our [Facebook Event page](#) for all the details and links. You don't need a Facebook account to access it.



Faith Engagement Package - We have created a take home faith engagement package for families to keep connected to our faith values. These packages contain a gratitude activity, coloring sheets, a UU principles card game, a 6 sources beach ball and much more. Please contact Sara by [email](#) or calling 315-386-2498 if you would like to schedule a time to pick up your

package.



It's Easy Being Green!

Imagine if trees gave off WI-FI signals, we would be planting so many trees-and we'd probably save the planet, too. Too bad they only produce the oxygen we breathe.

Community Events

The North Country Art, Land and Environment Summit (September 9 - October 2, 2020) provides a virtual way to join community members from the Kaniatarowanéhne /St. Lawrence River Watershed, Haudenosaunee Territory to discuss sustainable and REGENERATIVE SOLUTIONS for the Climate Crises. The Summit will feature a series of outdoor exhibitions, film screenings and online panel discussions. All the events will be framed in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the environmental racism that lay at its core. The NCALE Summit is thus partnering with communities throughout the area to champion ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE and honor the CULTURAL MEMORY of the land. Throughout these vital conversations, the environmental future of the St. Lawrence Watershed will be highlighted. Learn more [here](#).

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