



# UU News to Know

February 3, 2016

## This Sunday

Sunday, February 7  
10:30am, Worship Service  
& Children's RE

***Bring a Torch: Grief and a  
New Normal***

Rev. Rebekah Montgomery,  
Pulpit Guest

Greeters:  
Esther Oey  
Eric & Jean Williams-Bergen

Worship Associate:  
Mark Berninghausen

Kitchen Cabinet Advisor:  
Margaret Harloe

Social Hour Hosts:  
Jim Williams & Donna  
Dilworth  
Carol Gable  
Lana Rodriguez

Collection Counters:  
Ruth Baltus  
Valerie Ingram

Library Table:  
Pat Gengo

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Greeter & Social  
Hour Hosts](#)

## Search News

Find information and updates from our Ministerial Search Committee on their new [Ministerial Search](#) webpage. It can be reached from the Our Church drop-down menu.

## Church News

**2016 Budget and Move to Amend Proposal Pass:** At Sunday's annual meeting, the 2016 budget was adopted and the Social Action Committee's Move to Amend proposal was passed enthusiastically - [details here](#).

**Guest at Your Table Weekly Inspiration:** We are in week 3 of reflection on the plight of refugees who are fleeing or have fled their homes because of war, persecution, poverty. It's still not too late to participate. Click [here](#) to learn more about the program and [here](#) for your weekly inspiration to enhance your nightly dinner conversation.

**Coffee, Conversation, & More:** Mark your calendar for our next "before church" gathering on February 14, from 9:15 to 10:15 in the Romer Room. Sue Powers and others will focus our discussion on ethical and sustainable eating, with some tasty samples and recipes. More information [here](#).

**UU 101:** Join Rev. Joel for an exploration of UU history, spiritual practices, and ministries on Tuesday, February 16, at 7 p.m. - [details here](#).

**Chalice Circle to Explore Conflict:** In his February ["In the Interim"](#) blog, Rev Joel introduced a new Chalice Circle that will meet on third Wednesdays beginning February 17. Contact [Joel](#) to sign up.

## This Week in RE

### RE Ambassador:

David Bradford

### Nursery:

Barbara Beekman

Emily Dixon

### Spirit Play:

Sharon Tavernier

Amy McFarland

### Signs of Our Faith:

Carol Gable

Becky VanDeWater

### Toolbox of Faith:

Lorraine Olendzenski

Kelly Johnson-Eilola

### Building Bridges:

Karen Bage

Will Siegfried

### Youth Group:

Dwight Stevenson

David Bradford

## The Week Ahead

### Thursday, February 4

4:30pm, Handbell Choir rehearsal

### Sunday, February 7

9:30am, UShare meeting

10:30am, Worship &

Children's RE

### Monday, February 8

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

### Tuesday, February 9

5:00pm, Welcoming

Committee meeting

7:00pm, Chalice Circle

### Wednesday, February 10

10:00am, Library work day

4:00pm, Interim Shared

Ministry team meeting

**Caring Circle News:** After a period of declining health, Marvin Edwards passed away on January 31 at Canton Potsdam Hospital. A memorial service is being planned for a future date. Contact information is available in the [church directory](#) if you would like to send a card to Marga and Audrey.

## Religious Education News

**This Sunday:** Our children and youth will be hearing a story about love, exploring the six pillars of community, reflecting on the universality of love, learning about Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation and planning attendance to a Youth Con.



[Details about Sunday's classes here](#)

## Community News

**Blood Drive:** Canton's American Red Cross blood drive will be held in the Social Room on Tuesday, February 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Information to volunteer [here](#).

## A Factoid

### from the Environmental Action Committee

Did you know that when trying to meet a commitment to reducing your carbon footprint, choices in your diet are almost as important as energy-related choices? An average U.S. meat-eater generates 3.3 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>(eq) per year, while a vegetarian generates about half that amount (1.7 mt CO<sub>2</sub>(eq))

[Learn more here](#)

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