#### October 19, 2016

J News to Know

## **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of the congregation will be held on **Sunday**, **October 23**, immediately following the service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the 2017 Church Council. The Nominating Committee has proposed this <u>slate of candidates</u>. All are welcome to attend the Annual Meeting, but only members may vote. More information and the annual reports can be found <u>here</u>.

An all-church potluck will follow, to which everyone is invited! Please bring dishes to share according to your last name: A - G: dessert; H - R: salad/side dish; S - Z: main dish. And don't forget your potluck packs!

# **CHURCH NEWS**

**Get Acquainted Coffee:** The Welcoming Committee invites Newcomers to a Get-Acquainted Coffee before church on Sunday, October 23. <u>Details here</u>.

**Handbell Choir Looking for Ringers:** Do you enjoy making music with others? Come ring with us! The Handbell Choir is looking for a few additional ringers to join our ranks. It is helpful if you can read music (or can at least keep a steady count). We practice most Thursdays at the church from 4:30-5:30pm. If you are interested in joining us, contact our new director, Ron Berry, or contact the office by email or phone.

**Dreams for the Future:** The 2017 canvass kicks off this month. Canvass sessions, are scheduled for October 22, 26, 29, and 30. Learn more or sign up online <u>here</u>. Childcare will be available during canvassing.

A SASO on behalf of relief work in Haiti will be taken on Sunday, October 30. We are directing our efforts through the UUSC. Learn more about UUSC's initiative <u>here</u>.

**Defying the Nazis:** Kenneth Burns' 2016 PBS documentary, which tells the story of Martha and Rev. Waitstill Sharp, Unitarians who secretly worked in Nazi-occupied Europe to rescue Jews, dissidents, and refugee children, will be screened Sunday, October 30, at 7 p.m., at Congregation Beth-El in Potsdam, and Wednesday, November 16, at 7 p.m., in our sanctuary. James will lead a discussion following each screening. **Details here**.

**UU 101:** There will be no UU 101 next week, but it will continue Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. The fourth session will focus on Growing Our Faith: Lifespan RE, and you don't need to have attended the previous sessions to participate. **Details here**.

**The Social Action Committee** continues to gather signatures for the petition to allow undocumented workers to obtain driver's licenses. Click <u>here</u> for more information or to sign the petition electronically.

Another Netflix Film Recommended! In keeping with our attention to Black Lives Matter, we recommend an award-winning documentary, made by Ava Du Vernay, the director of "Selma." Named for the constitutional amendment that abolished slavery, "<u>13th</u>" explores the racial injustice of our penal system. For perhaps only a short while, you can stream the film.

Find more detailed news in the **October Newsletter** 

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**This Sunday:** Our children and youth will be learning about our yellow principle, learning about a tradition in Rosh Hashanah called Tashlich, going on a hike to Heritage Park, understanding what makes UUism a unified religion despite its diversity, and continuing building the youth community. **Details here**.



**Reminder:** Just a friendly reminder - all Religious Education classes including Spirit Play end at 11:45 a.m. Please wait until then to pick up your child(ren). Our teachers have planned activities until that time. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Carol.

**Register Your Child(ren)!** Please take a moment to register your child(ren) for the 2016-2017 religious education year by clicking <u>here</u>.

#### THIS SUNDAY Sunday, October 23 10:30 a.m. Worship Service & Children's RE <u>Running in the Background</u> The Rev. James Galasinski

Greeters: Pat Glover, Jon & Kathy Montan Worship Associate: Doug Rubio RE Ambassador: Anna Sorenson Social Hour: Kathy Curro, David Bradford Collection Counters: Lonie Bogett, Will Siegfried

<u>Click here</u> for the full schedule of Greeters & Social Hour Hosts

### THIS WEEK IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE Ambassador: Anna Sorensen Nursery: Katherine Brown Spirit Play: Evelyn Barton, Lois Cutter Our Caring Community: Anna Sorensen, Kate Whitehorne Maker Space: Sally Hoose, Miles Manchester Coming of Age: Relani Prudhomme, Will Seigfried Youth Group: Leo Burger, Desiree LeBoeuf

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Thursday, October 20** 4:30 p.m., Handbell Choir Practice 7:00 p.m., Budget & Finance Committee Meeting

### Sunday, October 23

9:00 a.m., Get Acquainted Coffee 9:00 a.m., Choir Practice 10:30 a.m., Worship and Children's RE 11:30 a.m., Annual Meeting and Potluck

> Monday, October 24 Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

**Tuesday, October 25** 7:00 p.m., Stewardship Committee Meeting Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. 315.386.2498 office@uucantonny.org WWW.UUCANTONNY.Org

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