

October 5, 2016

We are delighted to welcome our new Congregational Administrator Sara Trimm. Sara's office hours are **Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

CHURCH NEWS

B&G Feedback: In the **October newsletter**, the Building & Grounds Committee solicited feedback about landscaping plans for the front of the church. Please share your thoughts with them at **building@uucantonny.org**.

Friday on PBS: This Friday evening, October 7, PBS will air the documentary, "Dream On," an exploration of rising income inequality and declining social mobility across America. The Social Action Committee has previewed it and urges the congregation to watch. Details, a trailer, and information about another recommended film <u>here</u>.

An Invitation to the Congregation: Judy Gibson and David Nelson joyfully invite you to their wedding this Sunday, October 9, at 3 p.m., and to share cake and punch with them and their families in the Social Room following the ceremony. No response necessary (and no gifts, please). Just come!

Blood Drive: The next American Red Cross blood drive will be held Tuesday, October 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Social Room. For more information, or to register in advance, go to **www.redcrossblood.org**. If you can assist with registering and dispensing refreshments at this event, please contact Pat Alden at **socialaction@cantonny.org**.

UU 101: Next Tuesday, October 11, at 7 p.m., James' series about what Unitarian Universalism is and how our church works continues. The second session will focus on History, and you don't need to have attended the first to participate. Learn more **here**.

More Coffee & Conversation: On Sunday morning, October 16, Jon Rosales will share his knowledge and experience of climate change on indigenous villages in the Arctic. Several short videos that illustrate the extent of the impact are available at <u>www.aksik.org/documentaries</u>. CC&More begins at 9:15 a.m. As always, childcare is available. We hope you can join us!

Dreams for the Future: The 2017 canvass kicks off this month; we hope you

will sign up for Appreciative Speed Pledging to share your dreams. Canvass sessions, which promise engaging conversation, the opportunity to make new friends, and delicious refreshments, are scheduled for October 22, 26, 29, and 30. You will also be able to make your pledge toward the operating budget that turns our dreams into reality. Sign-ups will begin after church next Sunday please bring your calendar. Childcare will be available during canvassing.

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

You will find more detailed news in the **October Newsletter**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

This Sunday: Our children and youth will be inspired by puzzles, learning about healing heroes, continuing to create a webpage, exploring our UU values and playing frisbee golf. **Details here**



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>.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Racial Justice Meeting: The North Country Chapter of SURJ (Showing Up for Racial Justice) holds a public meeting on Thursday, Oct. 6, at 6 p.m. at 4 Palmer Street, Plattsburg, NY. SURJ is a national network of groups and individuals organizing white people for racial justice. For more information about SURJ, go <u>here</u>.

Prism Potluck: There will be a potluck dinner for Prism on Sunday, October 16, at 6 p.m., in the Social Room. Bring a dish to pass. The discussion topic will be activities for the group for the coming year; members of the local college communities are encouraged to attend. Please contact the **church office** for more information.

THIS SUNDAY Sunday, October 9 10:30 a.m. Worship Service & Children's RE

Struggle: African American Humanism The Rev. James Galasinski

Greeters: Robin Collen, Duncan & Lois Cutter, Paul Cutter Worship Associate: Mark Berninghausen Acting DRE: Jenn Whittaker RE Ambassador: Arthur Freeheart Social Hour: Sarah Bentley-Garfinkel & Ryan Hicks, Dan Kuelgen Collection Counters: Pat Gengo, Tim Opdyke

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

THIS WEEK IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE Ambassador: Arthur Freeheart Nursery: Katie Boczarski, Anna Dickinson Spirit Play: Todd Moe, Lois Cutter Our Caring Community: Anna Sorensen, Kathy Wyckoff Maker Space: Gwen Cunningham, Carol Pynchon, Sally Hoose Coming of Age: Relani Prudhomme, Will Siegfried Youth Group: Laura Foster, Desiree LeBoeuf

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 9 9:15 a.m., Coffee, Conversation, & More 10:30 a.m., Worship and Children's RE 3:00 p.m., Gibson-Nelson wedding

Monday, October 10 Noon, Mindfulness Meditation 6:30 p.m., Social Action Committee meeting

Tuesday, October 11

11:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., p.m., Red Cross Blood Drive 1:30 p.m., Communications Committee meeting 4:00 p.m., Welcoming Committee meeting 7:00 p.m., Chalice Circle 7:00 p.m., UU 101

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