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Sunday Services | March 2012

March 4 | *The Questions that Empty the Room*

What are the questions that empty the room - that you dare not ask except in certain company? Is to question really the answer?

-- Guest speaker Rev. Richard Gilbert will explore three of those questions - hopefully with you.

March 11 | *The Cats of Jerusalem*

It's hardly possible to live life without taking some basics for granted, but sometimes what we need most is to gain a new view point, perspective, or paradigm. How many 'right' answers can there be, right?

-- Join guest speaker Michelle George and worship associate Patti Goodwin for this service.

March 18 | *Why We Do It This Way*

We gather on Sunday mornings to enact a story, a hope, a promise. Why do we do it the way that we do? Is there any rhyme or reason? Couldn't we just have a lecture, or a sing-along?

-- Rev. Martha Munson

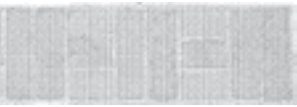
March 25 | *Are you Spiritual or Are you Religious?*

Both? Neither? Confused? We'll explore this topic together this morning.

-- Rev. Martha Munson

**AND + NOW + ABIDETH + FAITH
HOPE + LOVE + THESE + THREE + BUT
THE + GREATEST + OF + THESE + IS + LOVE**





Walking With You

Submitted by Rev. Martha Munson

Several of you have asked for copies of my morning devotional focus/intention for my day. I am happy when something strikes a chord with any of you. When something strikes dissonance – as it inevitably will - I’m open to hear that directly as well. In either case, please be in touch. Herewith:

Most mornings, first thing, I sit for a time on the floor in our dining room looking out toward our back yard. I try to use this time to set my intention for the day, and have used various forms and devices for this purpose. At the moment I repeat an adaptation of the words of the Prophet Micah: “What does the Holy require of you but do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly?” I try to sit there until I’ve gotten through the whole thing without my “monkey mind” wandering off somewhere else. It goes like this:

What...

What does the Holy require,

What does the Holy require of you,

What does the Holy require of you but to do

What does the Holy require of you but to do justice.....

What does the Holy require of you but do justice, and to love,

What does the Holy require of you but do justice, and to love kindness....

What does the Holy require of you but do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk

What does the Holy require of you but do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly?

And thus is my intention set, even as I sometimes (often) struggle to hold on to it through the day. I look forward to seeing you each and all on the corner of Clinton and Court on Sunday mornings. There, we aspire to remind ourselves of who our best selves are. ❖

Faithfully,
Martha



Music Notes

Submitted by Josiah Armes

Why do we need music in worship?

On the surface, such a question seems too easy. Many people can give a dozen reasons why they want music as part of worship; but how often do we stop to ask why music is not just desirable, but also essential, to one’s religious tradition?

Music has historically been a part of nearly every major religious tradition. Let’s look at a few of the ways in which varying traditions have viewed music. In the Buddhist tradition analogies are drawn between music, meditation, and dancing. Famed Hindu writer and philosopher Rabindranath Tagore said: “Music is the purest form of art... therefore true poets, they who are seers, seek to express the universe in terms of music... the singer has everything within him. The notes come out from his very life. They are not materials gathered from outside.”

The Christian and Jewish traditions abound with musical references, including possibly one of the most vivid and descriptive calls to musical ministry, found in Psalm 150:

“Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.
Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.
Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord.”

Although the language of these verses harks back to a past era, the message contained is timeless. The power of music has been universally recognized throughout history, from the Biblical tale of a young David soothing King Saul’s madness - perhaps the earliest recorded instance of music therapy - to the Greeks and their musings on the power of music to weaken or build up the fiber of a person’s very being, to modern scientific studies demonstrating the impact of various types of music on the minds and bodies of humans, animals, and plants alike.

Music, then, has the power to move the body and soul at a fundamental level; it has the power to communicate what words cannot. It has the power to uplift or sadden, and the power to bring people from all walks of life together. Can we conceive of worshipping without it? ❖



Saint Lawrence District Assembly

Submitted by Michael Scott

Unitarian Universalists from across the Saint Lawrence District (roughly, Upstate New York) gather on the last weekend in April every year for a gala weekend of worship, lectures, workshops, & social events. This year the meeting is in Rochester! The Friday evening program will be held here at First Universalist; the Saturday program will be at the First Unitarian Church on Winton Road. Our congregation has been well represented at recent District Assemblies; with nowhere to drive to this year, this is our chance to break our all-time attendance record.

The Friday program includes dinner, a talk (“From Grandmother’s Closet to the Occupation of Wall Street”) by the Rev. Lynn Ashley of Barneveld, and a coffeehouse featuring our own John Akers. The Saturday program includes opening and closing worship, a keynote by District Executive Connie Goodbread (“Transcendence—The Art of the Extraordinary”) and your choice of five different tantalizing workshops. Mark your calendars, and see <http://www.sld.uua.org/conggrowth/districtassembly.html> for further information.

Justice General Assembly

Every year in late June, delegates from the 1000-plus congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association meet for five days of worship and workshops, concerts and lectures, singing and dancing, and conducting the business of the Association.

Given its size and complexity, each General Assembly (GA) is planned some three years in advance. One year after denominational leaders had signed contracts

for 2012 in Phoenix, Arizona passed its infamous anti-immigration law (SB 1070), prompting a broad coalition of social justice groups to call for a boycott on meetings in the State. What was the UUA to do?

Passions ran high for both of the obvious options: Many Latino/Latina UUs and their advocates felt that anything less than a complete boycott would be a violation of our deepest principles. Many others, including most of the UUs “on the ground” in Arizona, wanted to keep GA in Phoenix, and to use it as an opportunity for public witness. In an amazing display of respectful consensus-building, delegates to the 2010 GA in Minneapolis agreed to stick with Phoenix, but to make it a meeting unlike any other in the denomination’s history—one devoted, to the maximum extent possible, to issues of social and racial justice, multiculturalism, and immigrant rights—a “Justice GA.”

Costs will be kept low, benefits to the corporate tourism industry will be minimized, and extensive connections will be built to allied faith and justice groups.

If you’ve never been to GA, it’s hard to imagine the level of excitement and the wealth of program opportunities. Some time slots have a single huge event (NPR’s Maria Hinojosa, for example, will deliver this year’s signature Ware Lecture); other slots have dozens of competing events. For those of us accustomed to a church with 150 members, the opportunity to interact with literally thousands of other UUs can be incredibly empowering.

Justice GA 2012 will run June 20–24. Many key events are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, to accommodate people who can attend for the weekend only. If you’ve ever thought about doing something special to energize your faith, this may be the chance you’ve been waiting for.

Visit www.uua.org/ga to learn more. ❖

More than a Hymn Sandwich

On Saturday morning, March 17th from 9:15 until noon, there will be an adult education event about crafting meaningful and coherent services. If you’re curious about what makes a “service” different from other events you might experience, this workshop is for you. If you’re thinking that you’d like to deliver a sermon sometime, or to apply to be a Worship Associate, this workshop is for you. Only your interest/curiosity is required for attendance. (No commitment!) Facilitated by the minister and Worship Associates. Signups are required. On the bulletin board outside the office, by Sunday March 11th. ❖

Board Happenings

Submitted by Shirley Bond

The board met Monday February 6th and all were present. We immediately got down to business.

Alain was our guest and he has been working very hard getting the ball rolling concerning repairs that need to be done. He has lined up experts and will give a full report soon. The board agreed to meet for a walk through with one of the experts and we will keep you posted.

It's official! Several searches are underway. An Acting Director of Religious Education has been officially approved by the board so a search will start ASAP. The committee that has been formed to select an interim minister has met and they have started the process.

There will be a Strategic Planning retreat set for a Saturday in February with committee chairs and board members in attendance. The leaders will be Joy Leccese and Martha Munson.

Peter House has agreed to be our summer minister again. Details are to be worked out so probably more information in next months issue.

The board set a date for the annual meeting. Lots of groaning about the annual reports from committees but it has to be done. I have vowed to myself that mine will be the first one finished and handed in from the RE committee!

While on the subject of reports, budget requests are due by March 5th! Hard to believe that is right around the corner. Last years music committee report was voted best in "all categories"!

I saved the best for last and that is... drum roll... that our annual reward for all the hard work...the all church picnic..will be held this year and a shelter request is already in the works. John Wellin is already looking forward to some strawberry rhubarb pie!

Well thats it for this month folks... Don't forget that the board meets every month and all are welcome. Next meeting, March 5.



From the World of Finance

Submitted by Ann Rhody

The fiscal year is ticking along, and finance folks are busy! Here's what's happening:

- The stewardship team is planning this year's budget drive
- The finance committee is developing some preliminary budget figures for 2012-13
- The recent auction raised \$5400- yahoo!
- We have concluded our official business relationship with the Brockport Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. They are now handling all finances through their own offices (we assisted them with check-writing, deposits, and bookkeeping for about 2 years, just to help them get started as a congregation).
- We are making our final loan payment to the New York State Convention of Universalists, from whom we borrowed \$40,000 to assist with the gutter work a few years ago.

Keeping our finances healthy takes lots of teamwork: Board, Finance Committee, Stewardship, Fundraising, and of course ALL of us who pledge and contribute regularly to the church. Thanks to everyone for caring for our beloved community! ❖

Annual Stewardship Campaign to Kick-off in April

Our Stewardship campaign, the church's annual pledge process, will kick off on April 1. The theme for the campaign is ***Be the change you want to see.*** Small group stewarding events will be scheduled similar to last year's format. They will run from April 1 to April 21. Details of the scheduling process will be forthcoming. Speaking of change, the Stewardship luncheon will close the campaign this year rather than get it started. The luncheon will be on April 22 immediately following the service. Save the date! Co-chairing the campaign this year are Tom Ruganis and Ed Deller. ❖

Drop-In Discussion, March Schedule

Submitted by Phil Ebersole

Drop-in discussions are held each Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the adult lounge on the second floor of our church. Sometimes our discussions are based on certain books or articles, but you don't have to read anything or do any advance preparation to participate. Just drop in. People of all viewpoints are welcome to make presentations or join in the discussions.

Sunday, March 4 | *What Makes Males So Overconfident?*

With Bill Elwell's help, we'll look at interesting studies on the male phenomenon of thinking highly of themselves and the consequences such as wars.

Sunday, March 11 | *A Ghost in a Machine?*

We'll discuss the nature of consciousness. Phil Ebersole will facilitate, drawing on ideas in Simon Blackburn's *The Big Questions: Philosophy*.

Sunday, March 18 | *Matilda Joslyn Gage*.

An influential feminist, abolitionist and freethinker who lived in upstate New York, Matilda Joslyn Gage (1826-1898) is less well-known than her contemporaries, Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Ruth Fitzgerald will show us why she should be more famous, and why she isn't.

Sunday, March 25 | *Oil and World Power*.

We'll discuss the struggle for control of the world's oil resources. Phil Ebersole will facilitate, drawing on Daniel Yergin's *The Prize and The Quest*.

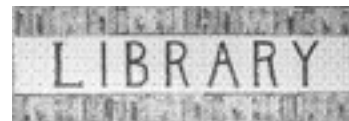
Topics are subject to change. For updates, check the bulletin board in First Universalist Church's Clara Barton lounge or the Schedule of Drop-In Discussions on <http://philebersole.wordpress.com>. If you have a topic you'd like discussed or, better still, would like to lead a discussion, speak to Phil Ebersole. ❖

Book Group is Forming

Submitted by Sarah Singal

By the time you read this, the book group will have had its first meeting, discussing *Jeremiah's Hunger*, a historical novel by our own **Elizabeth Osta**, exploring her Irish roots. The tentative plan, open to change, will be to meet on the last Sunday of the month at noon in the Adult Lounge. There is no set genre, and everyone will take turns picking a book to read. Suggestions so far include a book of science fiction, a classic, the all Rochester reads selection, the UU common read selection. All are invited, and you can show up when there is a book of interest to you even if you don't usually attend. This is not a chick lit gathering, and *males are cordially welcomed*. You are invited to bring a sandwich for lunch. Meetings will last about an hour. ❖

Library News



Submitted by Keith Stott

Would you allow a runaway to hide in your house? Frederick Douglass sheltered as many as eleven fugitive slaves at a time in his South Avenue home. Richard Reiser's *Frederick Douglass and the Underground Railroad* tells the fascinating story of how he and scores of other freedom-lovers helped slaves to escape. This is a new addition to our library. Call number is 326 R. The book contains dozens of illustrations. ❖

Join the Library Committee

If you like people and like books, consider joining the Library Committee, where you'll work with both. You would be asked to staff the church library and bookstore once a month during coffee hour, and attending a Library Committee meeting once every two months. If you'd like to know more, speak to Phil Ebersole. ❖

Read about Liberal Religion

If you want to know more about Unitarian Universalism, stop by the book sale table in the church library during coffee hour. We sell Skinner House and Beacon Press books at a discounting, including *The Unitarian Universalist Pocket Guide*, *Our Chosen Faith* and *Welcome: a Unitarian Universalist Primer*. We also have a shelf of donated books for sale at 50 cents each, and a rack of donated magazines, including old UU Worlds, available free. If you have books or magazine you're through with, but are too good to throw out, consider donating them to the church bookstore. ❖

Auld Lang Syne

Submitted by Karen Dau, archivist



IN LATE 1845 the Rev. George Washington Montgomery, at the age of 35 a much sought-after preacher, accepted an earnest offer to settle with the First Universalist Society of the City of Rochester. He did so with the stipulation that the congregation at once begin plans for the construction of a church, a contingency they were happy to meet. For two years they rented Minerva Hall for services while construction was completed on their new building, located on Clinton Avenue between Main and Broad Streets. Some of the “leading lights” of New York State Universalism presided at the dedication ceremonies on December 15, 1847. Here is part of a lengthy notice that appeared in the Universalist press: “The Church stands on the easterly side of the Genesee River, on a pleasant site, near the [former Asbury] Methodist Church; it is built of brick, 86½ feet in length by 50 feet in width, of the Grecian style of architecture, with an excellent basement, (which though enclosed and plastered is not yet finished,) the Church proper being finished in a neat and plain, though rich and beautiful style throughout. The interior of the walls is handsomely marbelised, and overhead beautifully painted in fresco. There is a snug orchestra in the centre of the front a little elevated above the floor, for the choir and organ, on either side of which is a door of entrance to the body of the church. The pulpit and pews are finished in very good taste, the latter (86 in number we believe) being all uniformly cushioned with drab moreen, and the church furnished with a good organ, carpet,

handsome chandeliers &c. The whole cost of the church, when finished, is estimated at \$6,500. The lot cost \$2300, so that the whole will not exceed \$9,000. The greater part of the debt is already paid.” A large number of sermons were preached over the two-day event, morning and evening. The Universalist newspaper also notes: “The services were all well and respectably attended, especially the Dedictory and two evening services; but the weather and going were such, the roads from recent heavy and continuous rains being intolerable and next to impassable, we doubt not [that] hundreds from the surrounding country were prevented from attending, who would otherwise have been present.”

Unhappily, few records survive from the ministry of Rev. Montgomery. Fifty-six people had signed the charter of incorporation on April 13, 1846. The first communion in the new building was observed on January 1st, 1850, with the devoted George H. Roberts and J.J. Van Zandt acting as deacons. The Sabbath School had about 75 “scholars,” as the students were called, and a large contingent of instructors. Through the foresight and financial support of member James Sargent, a wealthy locksmith who was a long-time advocate of Universalism, a booklet of photos was created that show the lovely interior of the long-vanished church described above. Our present-day congregation is blessed with a copy of this booklet housed in its archive. ❖

Emelina, on RAIHN

“We’re not homeless! We have a warm, safe place to sleep, good food to eat, and lots of friends right here to play with!” - Emelina, age 10, RAIHN guest

Since its inception, the Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network (RAIHN), a consortium of faith communities, has provided a transitional home to over 250 homeless families – more than 800 people, more than 475 of them children like Emelina. RAIHN makes it possible for families to stay together while they work toward returning to sustainable independence and safe, affordable housing. Children in the RAIHN program can continue to attend their home school, giving them important stability during this stressful time.

First Universalist is a Host Congregation, supported by St. Mary’s. Our next Host Week begins on Sunday, April 1st and ends on Easter Sunday. Please plan to set aside a few hours during this week to volunteer to help with meals, evening activities, overnight presence, setting up, taking down or laundry. You will be glad you did. - Sarah Singal and Marti Eggers ❖



House Report Highlight - March 2012

Submitted by Alain Perregaux

Hearing Loop

Now that the hearing loop is working better, we have occasionally had requests for two receivers. A second device has been purchased; located under the collection baskets in the volunteer office, in a separate box.

Heat Consumption

Our very alert and very dedicated treasurer Ann Rhody has tracked the steam consumption bills and noticed that our rate of usage since October 2011 is roughly twice as high as in the previous winter season, in spite of the mild weather. Kris McCarthy-White, Dave vanArsdale and Alain Perregaux are watching the situation very closely. At the same time Bill Taillie and his crew are looking for problems in the system; they found two elements that were not working quite properly: a third condensate separator (the other two were fixed in November) and the exterior temperature sensor. We do not know yet if these marginal malfunctions can by themselves explain the huge increase in steam usage.

RR Club Open House, March 3 & 4

The Model Railroad Club will hold its next Open House on Saturday March 3 and Sunday March 4. In order to help with security concerns, the club members will be very vigilant about blocking people traffic into any part of the building other than the Clara Barton Lounge and the basement. Also, all doors to the sanctuary and to the RE Wing will be locked.

Capital Improvements

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Board and the House Committee are working diligently at preparing for the renovation of the sanctuary this coming summer. Seven contractors visited the building on December 13, to generate cost estimates for the improvements that we want to make. We will use these estimates to determine how many of the desired improvements we can afford. There will be tough decisions coming up.

A combined Board / House Committee meeting was held on Monday February 13. The architect in charge of our project, Virginia Searl of the Bero Architecture firm, presented her first findings. As a starting point, she presented the first estimate figures on the assumption that we want the best and fanciest of every item on our wish list. The result is that the total projected cost is

about twice as high as anticipated. The “Renovation Committee” is now facing the daunting task of bringing down the fanciness expectation of each component of the project to a reasonable level. Some work may be delayed until structural building improvements are carried out.

The Renovation Committee

At the joint meeting of February 13, four of the attendees agreed to form the seed of this committee: Howard Spindler, Michael Scott, Mike vanArsdale and Alain Perregaux. We would like to convince two or three more congregation members to join. This committee will meet every two weeks, starting on Monday, February, 27. Its task will be to gather information and to take decisions. The first goal will be to bring the scope of the project to an affordable level without sacrificing technical soundness. The second goal will be to get the opinion of the congregation on such items as the carpet, the pew cushions, etc. ❖

School 7 Message

Submitted by Bill Elwell

Ah, the verbal abuse one takes when volunteering at School #7 in the Rochester City School District. I have been told that my teeth aren't white enough, that I'm going bald, that I look like I'm fat. All true, but none-the-less abusive.

Why then do I keep going back to such an environment? Because these kids are lovable, not all the time mind you, but lovable. When they give you a Habey Falinto card on February 14th. And when someone holds up her index finger and said I've been using this, which jarred my memory from the week before when she asked why I licked my index finger when turning pages in a book. When they come up and give you a hug. When they pout because they didn't get chosen to read first.

I struggle to remember their names and with greater effort to pronounce their names. I'm particularly happy when the name is Andrew rather than Jucinto. I don't know, as any teacher can tell you, how much I am helping them. But if you want to learn how to be humble and to feel appreciated by teachers and students, I heartily recommend volunteering at School #7. ❖

The Auction Lives On

Submitted by Paula Marchese

Did you miss the Auction this year? There are still some items left worth your while. Check it out. Coming in March:

March 10—Mark Twain on Religion, Rev. Dick Gilbert, 2-4 p.m. in the Clara Barton Lounge with refreshments and discussion to follow. If you purchased this item last year and could not attend, come on down. Auction donation: \$10.00 at the door.

March 17—Marti Eggers/Sarah Singal have one place left at their South Asian banquet. 6 p.m. until ???
Auction donation: \$40.00

Auction 2012 Remaining Items

Donor	No.	Item	Date	Available	
Rev Dick Gilbert	G2	Mark Twain on Religion	3/10/12	\$10.00*	Total Sold: 9 @\$10.00
(*Note: this item has no limit; to be held in Clara Barton Lounge; refreshments served with discussion)					
Eggers/Singal	A8	South Asian Dinner	3/17/2012	1@\$40.00	Total Sold: 12 @\$40.00
Osta/VanArsdale	E4	Spring Concert	4/29/2012	1@\$15.00	Total Sold: 19@\$15.00
Valk	D5	Perennial Lunch	June 2012	2@ \$15.00	Total Sold: 2@\$15.00
Fernandez	D8	Spanish Cooking Class/Party	8/25/2012	2@\$15.00	Total Sold: 4 @\$15.00
Watts/Levine	C8	Pre-Columbus-Day Dinner	10/6/12	1 @\$50.00	Total Sold: 5@\$50.00
Farrington	G1	Chili & Northern Exposure	11/12/12	5@ \$15.00	Total Sold: 10 @\$15.00
Damico	D7	Linoleum Cut Printing	TBD	7 @\$50.00	Total Sold: 3 @\$50.00
(Note: includes tools and materials)					
Damico	E6	Letterpress Keepsake	N/A	18 @\$15.00	Total Sold: 7 @\$15.00
Osta	N/A	Italian Books	N/A	4 @\$10.00 ea.	
Leccese	G3	Meditation Class	TBD	5 @\$20.00	Total Sold: 3 @\$20.00
Elwell	E7	Mystery Murder Dinner	TBD	2 @\$35.00	Total Sold: 4 @\$35.00
Gwinner/Singal	C2	Fellowship/Mitten Knitting	TBD	2@\$30.00	Total Sold: 3 @\$30.00

Please consult your Auction booklet for more details on these items or contact Paula Marchese if you have any questions (pmarchese@rochester.rr.com).

Our People

Submitted by Eileen Fernandez



Alice Mahan is recovering from recent health problems. ❖

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PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

SEPTEMBER 24 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

For a full week, travel through areas of New England that are rich with Universalist history. At most sites informative guides will be on hand to share their expertise and to engage participants in lively discussions of the significance of our history to our lived Universalism today. The itinerary will include:

Mount Auburn Cemetery, a beautiful National Historic Landmark which is the final resting place of many prominent Universalists and Unitarians, including John Murray, Hosea Ballou, William Ellery Channing, Fannie Farmer, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow & Dorothea Dix.

Tufts University, just one of the many non-sectarian schools of higher education founded by Universalists, & the site of Crane Theological School, 1869-1968.

Gloucester, Massachusetts, where the tour will visit the Independent Christian Church, organized in 1779 and the oldest Universalist church in America, as well as the Judith Sargent Murray House, home of the essayist, poet, playwright, advocate for women's rights, and wife of John Murray.

Ferry Beach Park Association, now in its second century as an oceanfront camp and conference center founded by charismatic Universalist preacher Quillen Hamilton Shinn.

Boston sites will include a tour of the UUA as well as glimpses of 16 Beacon Street, once the headquarters of the Universalist Church of America, and

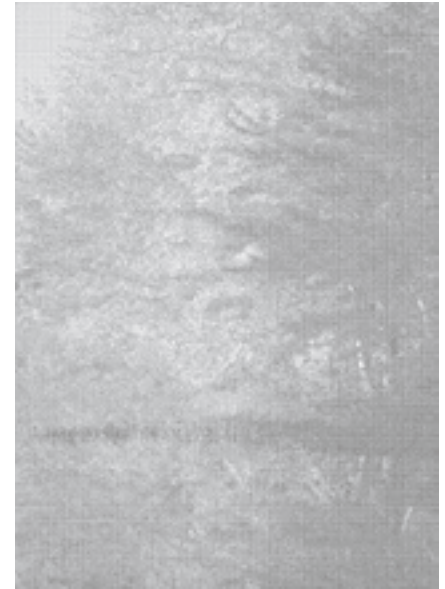
the Charles Street Meeting House, an innovative Universalist venture in the mid-twentieth century. (Neither of these sites is presently home for a program of our faith.)

Clara Barton Birthplace Museum and the Barton Center for Diabetes Education. This residential camp for girls with diabetes was founded by Universalist women in 1932, continuing the work of Universalist Clara Barton, who was a teacher, battlefield nurse during the Civil War and founder of the American Red Cross.

Hopedale Unitarian Parish which formed as a worshipping community with Adin Ballou as their first minister following the ending of the utopian communal farming venture in Hopedale, founded by Ballou, to live out principles of ethical idealism.

Hosea Ballou's Sister Churches. Travelers will trace Ballou's circuit-riding route through central Vermont (where foliage should be at or near peak), visiting two of the churches in which Ballou preached, and hearing a sermon in the tradition of this great founder of the Universalist faith.

UNIVERSALIST HERITAGE FOUNDATION



Our final stop will be:
Universalist Memorial Church in Winchester, NH, site of the signing of the defining Profession of Belief in 1803. The tour will conclude here with a Sunday morning service.

If you would like to receive more detailed information about travel connections, accommodations or the itinerary, please contact Liz Strong at estrong110@comcast.net. ❖

FEES: \$850 per person double occupancy, \$900 single occupancy, includes van transportation, home hospitality, most meals, and admission to all sites on the itinerary.

Registration materials for this rich program are available on the Universalist Heritage Foundation's website: www.universalistheritage.org

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