



Building Community with Compassion, Service, Diversity, and Spirit

We express compassion through caring, love and support for others.

We serve by promoting our principles and purposes through leadership, giving and action.

We are inspired by diversity to accept, respect and celebrate differences and interdependence.

We grow in spirit through our religious experiences, inquiry, education, reflection and transformation.

Minister's Gleanings

A Personal Viewing...

A walk in the Clark Reservation was a bit more than simply a trek in the park. Being vacation week, the trails were loaded. Dozens of hikers and strollers, of all ages took advantage of the beautiful weather to stretch their legs and get out.

I never walk very far, however I became intrigued with the focus of each of the groupings of folks who were exploring the trails. A young mother struggled with her baby carriage, carefully traversing the rocky ledges so as not to catch a wheel. I think this must have been her first child as she kept pointing out objects of interest to her child who could have cared less..."Look at the birdie? See the pretty tree?" All the while the child was more preoccupied by the tiny branch that brushed across her face and ultimately into her mouth... yum! Mother continued her nature lesson, oblivious to the impending contents of her son's digestive system.

Elementary schoolers delighted in clinging to and rattling chain link fences like rogue monkeys, then leaping over small crevices in the glacial rocks that lined the pathway.

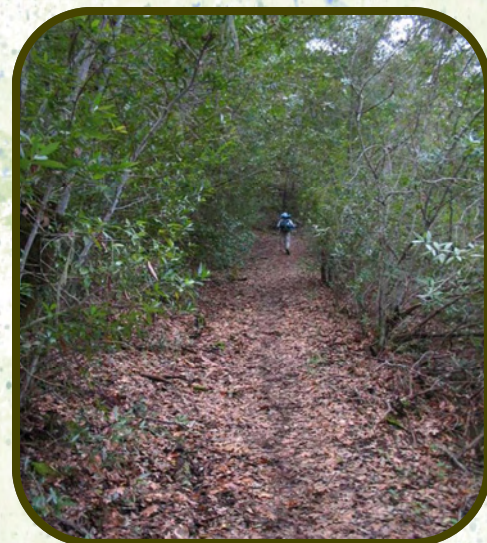
Sure-footed adults took in all the specifics of the terrain commenting on the woodland critters, trail wear, stagnant water and vernal pools. The seniors gingerly focused on the placement of every step, seeing little around them but the ground, treading carefully and not looking up until coming to a complete halt to rest. (my category!)

Although we were all in the same place at the same time, the view and the experience for each of us was remarkably different.

I guess that's what makes our UU family so wonderful, that we can see and experience the same things so differently, and each of our perspectives are just as true as anyone else's...

What a joy to get out and welcome the blessings of spring!

Sincerely, Holly



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, MAY 17
12:00**

**THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING
WILL BE FOR CONSIDERATION OF
REVISIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

**09-10 BUDGET REVIEW MEETINGS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27 AT 7:00
SUNDAY, MAY 31 AT 12:00**

**FUUSS ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, JUNE 7 AT 12:00**

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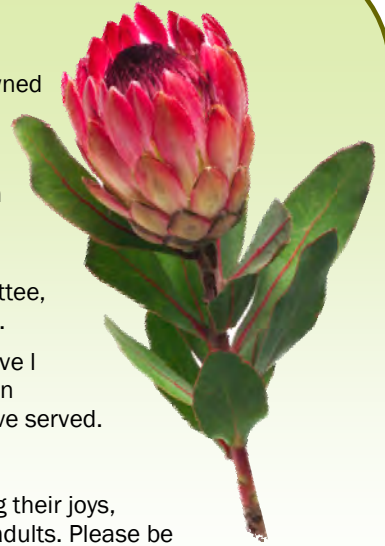
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SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FIRST UU

SERVICES START AT 10:30 AM

- May 3** “Hidden Treasures ” All of us collect something of meaning to us. Jane Goodall the renowned British “monkey lady” saves six very special treasures that bring her hope which has Meaning for us all. –Rev. Holly Baylies
- May 10** “The Mother We Almost Forgot” (Mother’s Day) We are mothered in so many ways. Often we are unaware of how and when we are “mothered” and by whom! This sermon is a look at the many facets of motherhood. –Rev. Holly Baylies
- May 17** “Out of the Wild: Lessons from Nature ” Organized and led by the Green Sanctuary Committee, speakers will explain how their experiences with nature have given them spiritual insights.
- May 24** “From a Distance” (Memorial Day) Memorial Day can be a difficult time for those who have lost loved ones to the scourges of war. As we observe the meaning of this day, as Unitarian Universalists, we can see many sides of the wartime dilemma, as we honor those who have served. –Rev. Holly Baylies
- May 31** **Coming of Age Sunday** Our group has been busy working through out the year on exploring their joys, sorrows, beliefs, and values through a variety of activities with a very dedicated group of adults. Please be ready to hear this talented group of young UUs share their spirituality with you!



Holly's sermons are available. Please email her at firstuurev@twcny.rr.com to request a copy.

Minister's Weekly Schedule

- Monday:** Holly's sacred day off!
- Tuesday:** AM Staff meeting and available for appointments, meetings
- Wednesday:** Church Office and appointments, meetings
- Thursday:** Sermon Prep at home
- Friday:** Church Office and appointments, meetings
- Saturday:** Office at home
- Sunday:** Church and afternoon appointments

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*Sometimes you just have to take the leap
and find your wings on the way down -
Kobi Yamad*

The FUN-Raising TEAM is MAKING JOYFUL NOISES !!!

- Friday June 5th 7:00-9pm :GAME NIGHT Scrabble-Checkers- Chess-Othello- Uno- Come one and all, BRING YOUR FAVORITE BOARD OR CARD GAME AND SOMETHING SNACKY TO SHARE
- June 6th The Interfaith works Duck Race: Sign up sheets will be posted in the Fellowship hall. Volunteers are needed and it proved to be a fun time to benefit the programs of Interfaith Works of which we are a member. For further information call Elynn Lentz

ALSO COMING IN JUNE:

- Save Saturday June 20th for the Pride Parade. Let's show a strong force from First UU.
- Sunday June 28th: All Church Picnic- location to be announced.
- Yard Clean Up Day at Dan Duggans: Holly will be in touch with Peggy Lyn who when asked how we could be of help requested a yard clean up day on their property. The details on proposed date and time, depends on Dan's health.

FUTURE PLANNING:

- BOWLING NIGHT: This Strike and Spare alleys at Mattydale offer group specials where for a minimal cost we can bowl and eat!
- GIFFORD ZOO: Tour and lunch . To have an opportunity to see the zoo from behind the scenes.
- READERS THEATRE GROUP: proposed by Radell Roberts, to read chosen plays with the possibility of reading for a Sunday lay service. If you are interested please speak to Radell.
- BUS TOUR OF WINE COUNTRY: a fall activity - To be announced when the details are obtained.

The Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 13th at 7:00pm in the parlor, all are welcome!

President's Report

One of the hallmarks of Unitarian Universalism is that the ultimate control and responsibility of our Societies rests with the membership of each congregation. Sometimes we might prefer if decisions were handed down to us from some authority figure who knows the "right" thing to do. But it is essential to our UU character that the members, meeting together as one decision-making body, determine what our path is.



With that in mind, your Board of Trustees is calling the members together for two Congregational Meetings. The first is a special meeting on May 17 at noon for the purpose of deciding on the proposed changes to the First UU constitution. The second is our Annual Congregational Meeting on June 7 at noon to decide on our annual budget, election of officers and other needed Society business. Please mark your calendars.

The proposed changes to the constitution from the Ad hoc Constitutional Review Committee and Board of Trustees were e-mailed for your review a few weeks ago. Many members have offered suggestions for refinements of the changes and the Board has acted on them. These revisions were e-mailed (or mailed) to the members last week. Please contact the church office if you did not receive them.

The annual budget for the 2009-10 church year is exceedingly challenging for both the Finance Committee and Board of Trustees to propose given our limited financial resources this year. While the details of the budget are still being worked out it will certainly require substantial expense reductions. The completed proposed budget will be available shortly for the members review and comment.

On the lighter side of life at First UU, under the guidance of Rev. Holly, the First UU Fun Task Force has met and begun planning out some fun activities. Starting off our fun activities was the "Joyful Slurping Noise" of the Italian Spaghetti Dinner hosted by Jim Vossler on Friday April 24. Thanks to Jim for a fun community building event and a great meal too.

As I write this report our annual Great Garage Sale is taking place and is going well. A big thank you to Linda D'Aloisio for leading this very essential fund raising activity and to her many volunteer workers, especially Jane Picket and Peggy Flanders who put in many, many hours of hard work.

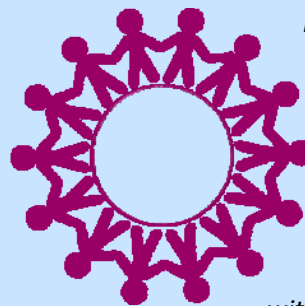
Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Joe Cavallaro, President

FUUSS FISCAL UPDATE (AS OF MARCH 31, 2009)

(represents 9 of 12 months or 75% of fiscal year)	Actual to Date Expenses and Income:	Total Annual Budgeted Expenses and Income:
To Date (July 1, 08 - March 31, 09) Total Expense:	\$138,608.89	\$197,703.50
To Date (July 1, 08 - March 31, 09) Total Income:	\$155,623.51	\$197,703.50
2007-2008 Surplus/ (Deficit) Carried Forward:	(\$4,275.25)	
Overall Operating Surplus / (Deficit):	\$12,739.37	
To Date Pledges Received:	\$112,228.00	\$136,790.00
To Date Fund Raising:	\$309.25	\$5,000.00

First UU Caring Network A Note From Holly.....



It is time to reestablish our Caring Network here at First UU. This is an important service to our immediate community, especially with Holly going on vacation for a good portion of the summer. This team will work with Holly to assess the needs of our members in ways that we can be helpful, with visiting, sending cards, providing a phone call, a meal or transportation etc. If you can offer help in any way, please sign up as we gather our resources for assistance. There will be a sign up sheet in the Fellowship hall for those interested.

Thanks, Holly

We consider the entire congregation members of this committee as, in one way or another, we all help each other.



CONCERTS!

SEE THE CALENDAR FOR ALL OF THE WONDERFUL CONCERTS PLANNED FOR THE MONTH OF MAY AT FIRST UU!



Movie With The Minister
May 15th @ 6:30 pm

"Little Miss Sunshine"

This is a delightful comedy with a message for all ages.

All are welcome and please bring something to share!

YOUR HELP NEEDED:

Ushers (upstairs), greeters (downstairs) and social hour help (set up/clean up, people interested in learning the ways of the kitchen) are needed every week!

How to do it:
Sign up on the Big Board.

Need training or information?
Call or write Peg Flanders, Vice President, pegflanders@twcny.rr.com, 488-8077 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

1 (Fri)	6 p - 9pm	FUUSS ANNUAL GARAGE SALE !!!!!	Key: B=Betts Room ER= East Room (room at the end of the RE Wing hall) FH=Fellowship Hall K=Kitchen L=Library (RE Office) MR=Music Room N=Narthex P=Parlor S=Sanctuary TR=Teen Room AR = Archive Room (room behind sanctuary)
2 (Sat)	9 a- 4 pm	FUUSS ANNUAL GARAGE SALE !!!!!	
3 (Sun)	10:30 am 12-2 pm	Worship (S) FUUSS ANNUAL GARAGE / BAG SALE !!!!!	
5 (Tues)	7:00 pm	Worship Service Committee Meeting (P)	REMINDER: CHOIR REHERSAL IS HELD ON THURSDAYS (MAY 7, 14, 21, AND 28) AT 7:15 PM IN THE SANCTUARY
6 (Wed)	1:15 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
9 (Sat)	7:00 pm	Syracuse Opera Concert – One Hit Wonders (FUNDRAISER MUSIC CONCERT) (S)	
10 (Sun)	10:30 am 1:00 pm	Worship (S) NYS Baroque Concert (S, FH)	
11 (Mon)	7:00 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
12 (Tues)	7:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting (AR)	
13 (Wed)	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Membership Committee Meeting (B) FUN Raising Committee Meeting (P)	
14 (Thur)	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal (S)	
15 (Fri)	6:30 pm 8:00 pm	Movie with the Minister (P) Syracuse Gay & Lesbian Chorus Concert (S, FH)	
16 (Sat)	8:00 pm	Syracuse Gay & Lesbian Chorus Concert (S, FH)	
17 (Sun)	10:30 am 12:00 pm 6:30 pm	Worship (S) Chalice Circle (P) Junior Professional Artists (S)	Deadline for submissions for next issue: Monday, May 25, for the issue that will cover events from June 1, to July 4, 2009, at firstuu@twcny.rr.com, or in the office.
18 (Mon)	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting (P)	
19 (Tues)	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Recital (S) Board of Trustees Meeting (P)	
20 (Wed)	1:15 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
21 (Thur)	6:30 pm	Syracuse Memorial Society (FH)	
24 (Sun)	10:30 am	Worship (S)	
25 (Mon)	7:00 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
26 (Tues)	7:00 pm	PFLAG (P)	
27 (Wed)	7:00 pm	Welcoming Congregational Meeting (P)	
30 (Sat)	7:00 pm	Concert – "Somethin About Lulu" (S,FH)	
31 (Sun)	10:30 am 11:45 am	Worship (S) Coming of Age Reception (FH)	



Lighting The Chalice

Is Not Just For Kids!!

We welcome all ages and would love to have lots of people sign up on the big board.

Any questions, please call Cindy Sharfstein @ 638-1838.

FROM ME TO UU! REACHING IN AND REACHING OUT WITH OUR UU FAITH



Youth Religious Education News

BOSTON, HERE WE COME !!!

Thanks to all who bought tickets, the COA Spring Basket & 50/50 raffle earned \$209.00 more toward our trip! Congratulations to Lucia Oesterlund who won the Spring Basket. Perhaps there's a budding gardener in our midst! Julie Piato won half of the 50/50 Raffle which was promptly donated back to the COA Group! The group wishes to thank Jim Vossler for sponsorship of the Basket and the tickets we used. The COA youth send a BIG thank-you to the Youth Group who has generously donated some proceeds toward the COA Boston trip! These efforts and your support with earlier fund raising activities, including donating your returnables, have ensured that our emerging UUs can do everything they have planned in and around Boston!

5/31 SERVICE- HEAR OUR COMING OF AGERS

Our group has been busy working through out the year on exploring their joys, sorrows, beliefs, and values through a variety of activities with a very dedicated group of adults. This Coming of Age journey culminates in a trip to Boston, the Unitarian Universalist "Heartland" and an expression of their faith as young teens/tweens during the 5/31 Service. Whether with a poem or picture, credo statement or song, please be ready to hear this talented group of young UUs share their spirituality with you!



central new york pride

The 2009 CNY Pride Parade & Festival will be held on Saturday, June 20. This year's theme is **EQUALITY . . . NOTHING MORE**. For more information on the festival and parade, you can visit the following website: <http://www.cnypride.com>

Here is the schedule for the day:

- 11:00 AM - Rainbow Flag Raising, Syracuse City Hall
- 11:30 AM - CNY Pride Parade, Downtown Syracuse
- 12:00 PM - CNY Pride Festival, Everson Plaza, Syracuse

First UU will have a group marching in the parade. All are welcome to participate, and Jim Vossler and Joe Cavallero are designing and donating t-shirts, which people can borrow to wear during the parade. A limited number of t-shirts will be available on a first come first serve basis. Anyone who is interested in marching and would like a t-shirt can notify Maria Brown at mariabgood@yahoo.com or 256-6767.

We are also considering setting up a table at Pride Festival this year for community outreach. This decision is dependent on adequate interest from the congregation. We need volunteers for the following tasks:

1. Table delivery and setup
2. 3 2-person teams to work the table for an hour apiece
3. Table breakdown and return to church

Anyone interested in helping with the table at Pride Festival can contact Maria Brown prior to May 27th, at 256-6767 or mariabgood@yahoo.com. Our decision to fund a table will be made at our May 27th meeting, based on congregational interest.



The Syracuse Gay & Lesbian Chorus
presents:

Stonewall Revisited

Celebrating 40 Years

May 15 and 16, 2009
8:00pm
First Unitarian Universalist Society
Corner of Nottingham and Waring Roads
Ticket Prices: \$15 Advance/\$18 Door
Reduced Prices for students and seniors
Door Prizes and Post Concert Reception
www.syrqlc.org

Syracuse Gay & Lesbian Chorus
Singing with PRIDE since 1991.

Photos courtesy of LA Weekly, The San Francisco Sentinel, New York Daily News, Columbia University and the University of Maryland.

STONEWALL REVISITED

It has been 40 years since the police raid on the Stonewall Inn on Friday July 27, 1969. This infamous night is considered the kickoff of the gay rights movement in the United States and abroad.

The Syracuse Gay & Lesbian Chorus offers a trip down memory lane for their spring 2009 Concert: **“Stonewall Revisited: Celebrating 40 Years.”** SGLC has assembled an upbeat musical evening of jukebox hits and gay pride themes all in celebration of the men and women who have laid the groundwork for the lives of LGBT Americans today.

Audience members can look forward to such hits as *Aquarius/Let the Sunshine In*, *Put a Little Love in Your Heart*, and *Build Me Up Buttercup*. These radio hits will be mixed with pride-filled themes including *Singing Out*, *Before Stonewall* and *Color Out Of Colorado*. It is sure to be an entertaining evening for the whole audience.

“Stonewall Revisited” will be held Friday May 15th and Saturday, May 16th at the First Unitarian Universalist Society at the corner of Nottingham and Waring Roads. The concert begins at 8pm on both evenings. Tickets are available in advance for \$15 or at the door for \$18.

The Green Corner



Great News! The Bigger Better Bottle Bill was passed by the New York State Legislature. It is a watered down version, but progress is heading in the right direction. Thanks to everyone who signed our petition.

Several people enjoyed the comradeship of a hike at Tinker Falls, led by Jim D’Aloisio. The weather cooperated, the scenery was magnificent – lots of cliffs, valleys and waterways. Watch for pictures of the adventure.

“Out of the Wild: Lessons from Nature” will be the topic of the worship service on May 17, 2009, planned by the Green Sanctuary Committee. Several speakers will explain how their experiences with nature have given them spiritual insights.

After the service families will be encouraged to view a fifteen minute cartoon on **“The True Cost of Food”**, presented by the Sierra Club Sustainable Consumption Committee. (Time and place will be announced at a later date.)





The Church Mouse



Thank you for your help!

Thank You to....

- A warm thank you to Jim Vossler for his generous contribution of time and cooking expertise in sponsoring a very successful spaghetti dinner for UU members and friends.

- Thank UUs to Susan King and Diane Case, organizers, Nancy & Jerry Clausen, Lora McCooey, Fred and Marilyn Lyman, Ann Barash and Eric

Holzwarth, Jane Pickett and Peggy Flanders who donated time as the First UU team to support Tel-Auc for WCNY.

- Thank to Linda D'Aloisio, Peggy Flanders, Jane Pickett, and all of the other helping hands at the First UU Garage Sale. You put in many hours for our largest fundraiser, Thank you!



Usher & Greeters: for March:

Phil Klein, Bettina Frisse, Jim Anderegg, Peg Flanders, Lee Murray, Jerry Clausen, Susan King, Keith Bertrand, Diana Bellini, Vanessa Bellini, Mary McLatchie, Barbara Carter, Jan Pope, Louise Heisler

Congratulations to Mick O'Bryan!!!!

The Youth Group wishes to congratulate Mick O'Bryan on his recent election for district leadership. At the Syracuse Youth Conference, held recently at May Memorial, Mick O'Bryan was elected to become a member of the Youth Adult Committee (or YAC).

The YAC is made up of youth and adults from across the St. Lawrence District. They meet throughout the year to schedule youth conferences, address relevant issues, and maintain youth support of district and congregational policies during Cons. They provide leadership and are vital in the continuation of Youth Conferences.

As many of our youth group members know, youth conferences continue to be a valuable connection for Unitarian Universalist Youth and an important reason why many youth remain connected to UUism after bridging out of Youth Group.

Congratulations again, Mick. We are so excited to have another member of our group on this committee. And, thank you, Vanessa Bellini, for giving your time as a member of YAC this year.



Coffee Hour Helpers for March:

Thank UUs to:
Nadine Fernandez
Peg Flanders
Jim Anderegg



To serve, connect & grow

Flowers for March A big THANK YOU to:

- Tanya and Glenn Gesek for flowers in celebration of Kai's 7th birthday.
- Dana Sovocool and Brian Gruninger for flowers in celebration of Easter.
- Maria Brown for flowers in memory of Cookie Perkins and in honor of MaryGail Perkins birthday.



NYS Baroque Concert
Sunday, May 10th at 4:00 pm at First UU

NYS Baroque, upstate New York's period instrument orchestra, concludes its 20th anniversary concert season on May 10 with "Young Amadeus" featuring fortepiano soloist Malcolm Bilson.

The program highlights the music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, utilizing the instrumental forces found in Mozart's early piano concertos. These early "chamber concertos" are lightly accompanied by two violins and string basses, with a resulting texture that is elegant and transparent.

Program:

Stamitz: Orchestral trio in C major, Op. 1 No. 1

Mozart/J.C. Bach: Concerto for piano and strings in E-flat major, KV. 107 No. 3

Mozart: Adagio and minuet in B-flat, KV 266

Mozart: Sonata for violin and piano in A Major, K. 305/293d.

Haydn: Concerto for piano and strings in G major, Hob. XVIII: 4

Tickets (\$5-\$25) are available at www.nysema.com and at the door.

Somethin' About Lulu (A Great [FUN] Concert for All!)

Syracuse's own Patty Jackson will be in town for a special debut performance with her Colorado band, Somethin' About Lulu on **Saturday, May 30th at 7:30 p.m.** It's hard to believe that nearly a decade has passed since Patty had her CD Release Party at First UU with her former band, Wildfire.

Fast forward to 2009 and here's what you'll find: Bylo Farmer from the Midwest, Patty Jackson from the Northeast and Angie Holley from the South converged on Colorado and met in Resonance, Women's Chorus of Boulder. The three realized that their varied musical styles and sense of humor made for a surprising and magical blend. With their stunning guitar work, Patty and Bylo are clearly musical twins separated at birth, while Angie and her smokey alto bring blues and jazz into the mix.



Whether singing tender ballads, bawdy blues or telling a story about cowgirls in the trail, Somethin' About Lulu says it best with mellifluous three-part harmony and delicious guitar licks. They're just finishing up their first full-length CD to be released in June of 2009. Here's what people are saying about Somethin' About Lulu:

"Their stage presence is warm and inviting, their talent is exceptional, and their banter will make your cheeks ache with laughter." - Lynn Scharf, Driftwood Fire



"The women of Somethin' About Lulu offer an endlessly appealing mix of beautiful voices, lovely harmonies, effortless technique and an exquisite sense of musical styles. But what really takes their performances to a level beyond the merely wonderful is the spirit that comes through their smiles, their laughter, and their obvious love of making music together" ... Sue Coffee, Director, Resonance Chorus of Boulder

Somethin' About Lulu is a rare treat not to be missed. Help welcome Patty back to Syracuse, meet the Lulu's, and enjoy a wonderful evening of music, laughter and fun. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. with a reception to follow. **General admission seating is on a sliding**

scale of \$ 10 - \$ 25. For more information, contact Susie.ShowcaseProductions@gmail.com or (315) 382-2222.

Musical Notes



On April 4 the Candlelight String Quartet presented a program of "Romantic Gems" at FUUSS featuring music of Dvorak, Puccini and Borodin. Comments from some of those attending were most enthusiastic, indicating that this was one of the most beautiful concerts we have had in recent memory. Unfortunately, scheduling conflicts, NCAA basketball games and bad weather conspired to keep the audience quite small, but we hope to feature this wonderful group again soon.

More musical treats are in store in the next few weeks. On Saturday April 25 at 7:30 p.m., the Music Committee is presenting "A Broadway Review", a fundraiser organized by Jon English that will feature S.U. students in what promises to be a spectacular event. These students are extremely talented and very energetic! On May 9, also at 7:30, there will be another concert in which the resident artists from Syracuse Opera will be presenting a program of operatic highlights. Operatic concerts in previous years have been a seasonal highlight. At the June 7 service your choir will present the annual Musical Sunday. They will be joined by other singers and instrumentalists in a performance of Gabriel Fauré's Requiem. The choir has been rehearsing this beautiful work for several weeks and they joined with other church choirs to perform it at Plymouth Congregational Church on Good Friday.

The Music Committee has started to put together a program for next year and already has two events scheduled. We are also planning to include a Cabaret concert. In an effort to avoid the scheduling conflicts that led to two of this year's concerts coinciding with those of the Syracuse Friends of Chamber Music, we have obtained next year's schedule for this group as well as for the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra's classic series.

The goal of the choir is to present beautiful music for your enjoyment. To that end, our music director, Jon, programmed a variety of different kinds of music and various presentation formats this year. He has donated his time on Sunday mornings, prior to rehearsal, giving lessons for those of us interested in improving our vocal abilities. We have benefited greatly from his fine teaching and unbounded enthusiasm. Grossly underpaid as our music director, he has, nevertheless, volunteered to take a ten percent pay cut next year because of our precarious financial condition. If you have comments or suggestions about the choral or music program, please contact him or any member of the choir.

-The Music Committee



Results of People Map™ Training at First UU

As many of you know, I have recently conducted two 7-hour People Map Training workshops at First UU. So far 18 Friends and Members have participated in the training. I thought it would be useful to give everyone a little feedback about what we have learned so far about our congregation. The Peopemap System identifies four core personality types: Leader, People, Free Spirit, and Task and six combination types: People-Leader, People-Task, People-Free Spirit, Free Spirit-Leader, Free Spirit-Task and Task-Leader. Through the Peopemap training, we learn about our own primary and combination types and how to work together with others of different types. I thought People Map training would help us put our UU principles into action. Here's what I found:

	People	Task	Free Spirit I	Leader
FUUSS	28%	33%	33%	5%
General Population	35%	25%	25%	15%

In terms of combination types, the most interesting finding was that in the General Population, People-Free Spirits make up about 26%, whereas at FUUS the People-Free Spirits were close to 40%! It is very possible that the People-Free Spirits, who by nature love to grow and learn, are the ones that signed up for the training, rather than reflecting a difference in our overall UU population.

One-hundred percent of the participants at FUUS rated the workshop as Excellent and found it Very Helpful to their work and personal lives. Some FUUS members have asked me to let them know if I do the training again as they were unable to participate on the prior dates. I would definitely love to do it again, if there is enough interest.

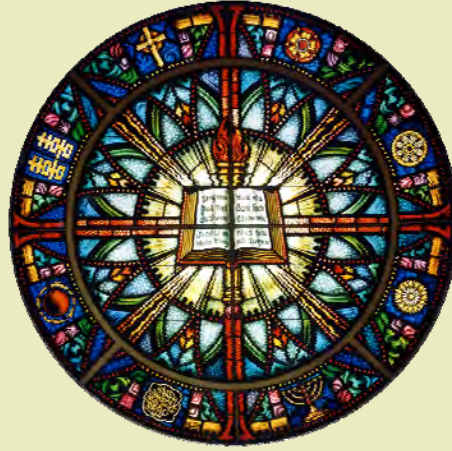
I have used all my own materials, so if I offer the workshop again, I would need to charge for materials only. The materials cost \$25 for half-day training and \$34 for the full-day training (split usually on two days). The materials for the full day are the questionnaire, the workbook, and a book. This training is used often with churches as the Peopemap system as it is a great tool for increased communication, cooperation, and team work as a congregation. If you are interested in the possibility of participating in a Peopemap Training workshop, please e-mail me at cmallen@twcny.rr.com or call 449-4088. If enough people are interested, I will put up a sign up sheet and see if we can find a date that works for all.

- Chris Allen, Ph.D., ACC

Are you looking for a good book or an entertaining movie from Amazon?

amazon.com.

Start your search from the FUUSS Homepage and Amazon.com will provide a donation of 10% of your purchase back to First UU!



Those Blueberries Are Calling Us !!!

It is again time to subscribe to a season's worth of fresh organic food from the **Community Supported Agriculture** program. The CSA sign-up deadline for the summer season is this month. To participate in the good eating of organic produce from June 15 to October 29, join now!

Information is on the Green Sanctuary table or online at www.csacny.com. To share a share at our First UU pod, see the Big Board. This is a great way to eat seasonally and reduce the demand for fossil fuel and avoid the harmful growing practices of industrialized agriculture. The CSA helps the farmer too.

The summer kick-off potluck for the Syracuse area will be at First UU on Sunday, June 16 from 5-7 pm. Come and bring your own dishes and food to share. Meet the farmer and enjoy a fine meal and good company. We can all enjoy another special summer.

Shareholders will be invited to two potlucks, one each to open and end the season. Potlucks will be held at FUUSS. FUUSS is again a "pod" (pick-up point) for weekly deliveries of food. Fred and Marilyn Lyman will manage the food distribution once every week between June 16 and October 29. Join us in supporting our local growers!



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