

Unitarian Universalist Society of Oneonta

Winter 2016 Worship Schedule

Regular Sunday Services start at 10:30 am

December 27

"Best of Intentions"

Adrienne Martini

**Stay Together Sunday/No Religious Education*

As a great sage, Adam Savage, is wont to say,
"Failure is always an option."
Let's start the new year with the best of intentions.

January 17

"The Fire of Commitment"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

Children to Classrooms at 10:30

Our chalice holds the "Fire of Commitment."
Commitment to what, exactly? To whom?
What promises have we made
to each other and to the world?

January 3

"No Pillars of Salt!"

Rev. Judy Thistle

Children to Classrooms at 10:30

In the biblical story, Lot's wife is warned to keep her gaze
on the path ahead; looking back, she is turned into a
pillar of salt. We have no such restriction.
Looking back at the past year may be just what we need
for the year ahead.

January 24

"The Warmth of Community"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

Children to Classrooms at 10:30

The flaming chalice is a symbol
of our wider community,
an invitation to this religious community of ours,
and a reminder of the space we share—
physically and emotionally.

January 10

"The Light of Truth"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

**Start Together Sunday*

The Truth will set you free—
or make you mad—or both, perhaps.
Is there truth, many truths, or THE TRUTH?
Every week we kindle and extinguish our chalice,
but what of the Light of Truth we hold so dear?

January 31

"Our Flaming Chalice: What Truth, Community, and Commitment Mean to Us"

The Children and Youth of UUSO
Religious Education Intersession Service

**Stay Together Sunday*

The Flaming Chalice is the symbol of our wider
Unitarian Universalist movement,
our historical tradition, and our common faith.
What does the symbol mean to us at UUSO?

February 7

"Finding Our Path"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Children to Classrooms at 10:30

Unitarian Universalists believe we each have a right to our own spiritual path and a responsibility to help each other find that path and walk it authentically.

February 14

"Love is..."

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Valentine's Day
**Start Together Sunday*

"Go in Love," the minister says.
"Love one another," the scriptures say.
"What is Love?" the musician sings?
Indeed, what is this Love thing, anyway?

February 21

"Roots and Wings"

Tim Horne, UUSO Choir & Guest Musicians
Music Sunday
Children to Classrooms at 10:30

Join the UU Choir and musicians for Music Sunday as we explore musically what grounds us, and what sets us free.

February 28

"Making Up For Lost Time"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Children to Classrooms at 10:30

This Leap Day, as we literally make up for lost time, we might consider the time we've lost ourselves, and how we might make the best of the time we have left.

March 6

"Lead the Way!"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Stewardship Sunday
**Start Together Sunday*

The world is waiting, longing, hoping for someone to create justice, make peace, protect the environment, and build the beloved community. The world is waiting for us. Let's Lead the Way!

March 13

"¡Ya es Hora!"

Lou Kimmel
Children to Classrooms at 10:30

As Co-Founder and Executive Director of the Worker Center New Labor, Lou Kimmel is fighting for social justice with low wage Latino immigrant workers. We can all work together to fight for social justice and improve working conditions.

March 20

"The Voices In Your Head"

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg & Cheryl DeDecker
**Start Together Sunday*

The Bible says God speaks as a "still small voice within." All we have to do is listen for that voice, but... which of the internal voices is the right one?