



Unitarian Universalist Society of Oneonta

Fall 2019 Worship Schedule

Sunday Services start at 10:30AM

September 8

**Inside Every Drop
Ingathering and Water Communion**
Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
***Stay Together**

Kahlil Gibran wrote "In one drop of water
are found all the secrets of the oceans;..."
Every drop of water is a mystery,
a sacred revelation, and a blessing.

*Please bring your sample of sacred water
to join together in our water communion.*

September 22

A Mabon Celebration
UUSO Members
Children to Classrooms

Mabon marks the autumnal equinox
in earth-centered faith traditions.
It is a time to celebrate harvest, thanksgiving,
balance, and reciprocity.
Please join us for this ritual of gratitude.

October 6

**Days of Awe:
A UU Celebration of
Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur**
Pam Strother & UUSO Members
Children to Classrooms

Time's cycle invites us to give pause--
to celebrate the season's turning,
to ask how we might live better lives.
As we honor our Jewish heritage,
we ask forgiveness, remember our dead,
and rededicate ourselves
to our vision of the good and the true.

October 20

**Joy and Magic:
Lessons From Our Children**
Adina Johnson
***Start Together**

Our children teach us so many lessons
if we are willing to listen.
Lessons about faith, joy, and magic.
And maybe even how to change the world.

September 15

Are You Comfortable?
Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Children's Worship "The Tree of Life" in OBH

"Those who are not hungry for Justice,
are probably too full on Privilege."
In the wider world and in our everyday,
our comfort comes at a price.

September 29

**Seeing Yourself Writ Large
Postponed Geek Sermon**
Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
***Start Together**

Wonder Woman, Black Panther, Spider Man, Faith,
Chalice, Ms. Marvel, Bat Woman, Spider Woman,
Daredevil, Oracle... every one a super hero.
Every one a symbol of power and identity.

October 13

**Soulful Singing
A Taizé Service**
Rev. Craig Schwalenberg,
Tim Horne, & the UUSO Choir
Children to Classrooms

Our Unitarian Universalist Taizé-style service will
include singing, chants, and poetry —creating a
meditative, prayerful experience for all.

October 27

Being Builders
Rev. Craig Schwalenberg
Congregational Meeting at Noon
***Start Together**

We commit to Building the Beloved Community.
How do we do that? What tools do we use?
How do we be the Builders the world needs?

November 3

We See You

Transgender Remembrance Service

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

Children's Worship "Day of the Dead" at OBH

Once a year, we memorialize those who have been killed for just living and being who they truly are.

It is a good and sacred ritual.

But how much more powerful and holy, if we truly recognized them while they lived.

November 17

Art and Creativity: The Spirit Within

Art Sunday

In Memory of Mary Krupp

Doug Hallberg and UUSO Artists

Children to Classrooms

Three UUSO artists will share their paths into creative lives as makers, finding and sharing inspiration and discovery along the way.

December 1

Advent for All

Rosemary Summers

****Start Together***

The essence of Advent is anticipation. No matter what your spiritual orientation, there are lessons to be learned from the practice of waiting.

*Stay after the service
to make your own advent wreaths.*

December 15

Us Chickens

Sam Goodyear

Children to Classrooms

A counter to the mania for labeling and differentiation. We're all in this together?!

December 24

Christmas Eve Services

6:30PM — Family Friendly Service
"Sounds of the Season"

9:00PM — Meditative Service

November 10

The Prophet's Birthday

Milad Un Nabi

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

****Start Together***

Today, most Muslim people celebrate Milad Un Nabi, the birth of the Prophet Muhammad.

Let's honor this Muslim holy day by sharing stories of Muhammad and giving generously to the poor.

There will be a 2nd collection for Caring Connections.

November 24

What Do You Have To Be Grateful For?

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

Thanksgiving Service

****Stay Together***

When times are hard and stress is high, it is tempting to forget or ignore Gratitude. After all, what do we have to be grateful for?

December 8

Stories of the Season

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

****Stay Together***

Holiday Workshop after Service!

There are many stories told during this season of holy days and holidays. Tales of hope and love, joy and generosity. Come, let us share a tale or two

December 22

Contending with Christmas

Winter Solstice

Rev. Craig Schwalenberg

RE Fun Day in Explorer's Room at Chapin

Some say there is a "war" on Christmas, Others say it's lost all religious meaning. Some wish it would go away (Bah Humbug!), And some love everything about it. How do we contend with Christmas?

***Start Together:** Children from Kindergarten through 6th grade start out in the sanctuary with their families, then go to classrooms after Time for All Ages.

***Stay Together:** Children stay with their families for the entire service.