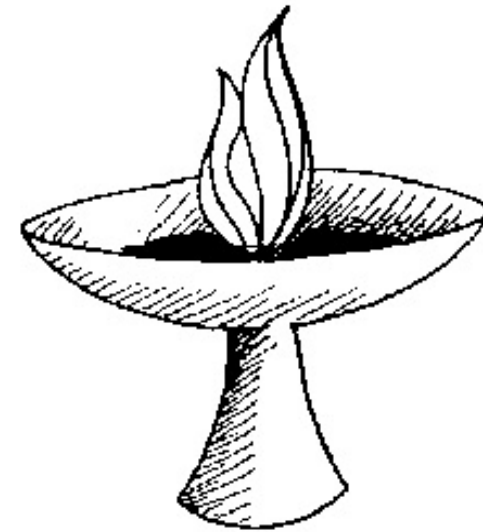


Unitarian Congregation of Niagara



“The Power of Language”

– *Josie Zhao*

November 4, 2012

Dates to Remember...

November 2012

- Nov 6 **Book Club 7:30 p.m.**
@ home of Karen Johnson-Hosein
- Nov 11 **Imagine...Peace** – *Joan Rothman*
- Nov 11 **Gillian's Place Care Packages**
- Nov 18 **From There to Here: A Brief History of UCN** – *Andrea Gravelle*
- Nov 18 **December Newsletter Deadline**
– please send submissions to:
criseing@cogeco.ca & solution@vaxxine.com
- Nov 23 **Film Night - 7:00 p.m. - Kundun**
- Nov 25 **Poverty in Niagara** – *John Storm*
S.L. Karen Johnson-Hosein

December 2012

- Dec 1 **Annual Pledge Dinner** – *Gather at 5:30 p.m. for dinner at 6:00 p.m. Cost: \$25.00*
- Dec 2 **Migrant Workers in Niagara**
– *Jennifer Pothier S.L. Sandra Watson*
- Dec 9 **Hare Krishna in Gainesville, Florida**
– *Sarah Prentice S.L. Karen Johnson-Hosein*
- Dec 16 **Heirloom Tomatoes** – *Linda Crago*
S.L. Sandra Watson
- Dec 23 **A Unitarian Universalist View of the Christmas Story** – *Jim Glassford*
- Dec 30 **Report on Budget and Giving** – *Roy Blake*

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Order of Service

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Speaker: Josie Zhao
Service Leader: Alan Wheeler
Musician: Theresa Pothier

Prelude

Welcome: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, if this is your first visit or your thousandth time, we welcome you all here to the newly named USN, the Unitarian Sanctuary of Niagara, small, intimate, personable and welcoming!

Announcements

Opening Words: #419 *"Look to this day"*

Look to this day !
For it is life, the very life of life.
In its brief course lie all the verities and realities of your existence;
The glory of action, the bliss of growth, the splendor of beauty.
For yesterday is but a dream,
And tomorrow is only a vision;
But today, well lived, makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and every tomorrow a vision of hope.
Look well, therefore, to this day!
Such is the salutation of the dawn.
(Ancient Sanskrit Poem, Moenjodaro , attributed to Kalidasa)

Chalice Lighting:

Here, we display no cross, no star, no crescent...
No Buddha, deep in contemplation
No saints, suffering for their principles
No images of Shiva, Brahma, or Vishnu – avatars of the sacred one
It is not narrowness that keeps these symbols from our view

But a broadness that invites all
And so, we light our chalice – sign of this inclusive faith
One small flame of welcome
To illuminate all that is sacred
And guide our way on.

Hymn: #38 *"Morning Has Broken"*

Joys and Concerns

Offertory and Musical Interlude

Responsive Reading: #598 *"Without Hate"*

Address: **"The Power of Language"** – Josie Zhao

Discussion and Questions

Hymn: #346 *"Come, Sing a Song with Me"*

Closing Words: #685

What we call a beginning is often the end, and to make an end is to make
A beginning. The end is where we start from.

We shall not cease from exploration and the end of all our exploring will
be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time.

– T.S. Eliot

Extinguishing the Chalice: We extinguish this flame but not the light
of truth, The warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we
carry in our Hearts until we meet again. – Elizabeth Selle Jones

Postlude:

(Please remain seated for the piano selection
then join us for coffee and conversation.)