

Dates to Remember...

December



**Dec. 19 Newsletter Deadline** – Submissions to  
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**Dec. 26 Celebration of Christmas**  
– Julianne Momirov

January 2011

**Jan. 2 John Mayer**

**Jan. 9 Remember Me?** – Doreen Peever

**Jan. 16 Teamwork** – Chris Critelli

*S.L. M. Petrocci*

**Jan. 23 Joy** – Vivianne Lariviere    *S.L. V. Jaeger*

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**Jan. 30 Spiritual Places - the Kitchen**  
– V. Jaeger

February 2011

**Feb. 6** To be advised

**Feb. 13 David Galston**

**Feb. 20 Annual General Meeting**  
– John Northover

**Feb. 27 Love in Words and Song** – C. Beckett

# Unitarian Congregation of Niagara



## Religion Beyond Belief

– Ed Gilbert

December 19, 2010

**“I am surer that my rational nature is from God  
than that any book is an expression of his will”  
William Ellery Channing**

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**Order of Service**  
**Sunday, December 19, 2010**

Speaker: Ed Gilbert  
Service Leader: Ed Gilbert  
Musician: Theresa Pothier

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Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Words: #431

Chalice Lighting

Hymn: #193 ***“Our Faith Is but a Single Gem”***

Joys and Concerns

Hymn: ***“Good King Wenceslas”***  
*(See insert)*

Offertory

Responsive Reading: #466 ***“Religion”***

An offering by the choir: ***“Who Sweeps the Stable?”***  
*–written by Austen C. Lovelace (music)*  
*and Shirley E. Murray (lyrics).*

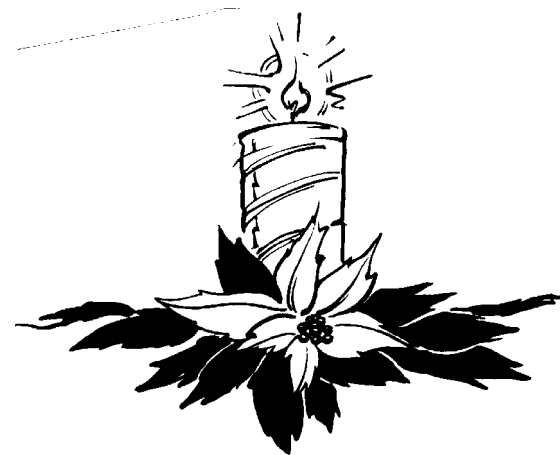
Address: ***“Religion Beyond Belief”*** – Ed Gilbert

Closing Hymn: #131 ***“Love Will Guide Us”***

Benediction

Extinguishing of Chalice

Postlude: *(Please remain seated during postlude, then join us for coffee and conversation following.)*



## ***Good King Wenceslas***

(All - regular type, *Good King Wenceslas - Italics (Men)*,

Page - **Bold type (Women)**)

Good King Wenceslas looked out,  
On the Feast of Stephen - (Harper?),  
When the snow lay round about,  
Deep and crisp and even;  
Brightly shone the moon that night,  
Tho' the frost was cruel,  
When a poor man came in sight,  
Gath'ring winter fuel.

*"Hither, page, and stand by me,  
If thou know'st it, telling,  
Yonder peasant, who is he?  
Where and what his dwelling?"*

**"Sire, he lives a good league hence,  
Underneath the mountain;  
Right against the forest fence,  
By Saint Agnes' fountain."**

*"Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,  
Bring me pine logs hither:  
Thou and I will see him dine,  
When we bear them thither."*

Page and monarch, forth they went,  
Forth they went together;  
Thro' the rude wind's wild lament  
And the bitter weather.

**"Sire, the night is darker now,  
And the wind blows stronger;  
Fails my heart, I know not how,  
I can go no longer."**

*"Mark my footsteps, good my page;  
Tread thou in them boldly:  
Thou shalt find the winter's rage  
Freeze thy blood less coldly."*

In his master's steps he trod,  
Where the snow lay dinted;  
Heat was in the very sod  
Which the saint had printed.  
Therefore, Unitarians, be sure,  
Wealth or rank possessing,  
Ye who now will bless the poor,  
Shall yourselves find blessing.

*—written by Austen C. Lovelace (music)  
and Shirley E. Murray (lyrics).*