

Dates to Remember...

January 2014

Jan 31 **Out of the Cold** – Knox Church

February 2014

Feb 2 **"The Uncommon Denomination"**
– Karen Johnson-Hosein

Feb 2 **Healthy Congregation Workshop** – following
service and lunch.

Feb 9 **Songs about Peace, Justice & Liberty**
– Juliet and Peter S.L. Sara Jordan

Feb 16 **Grandmothers to Grandmothers** – Lisbie Rae

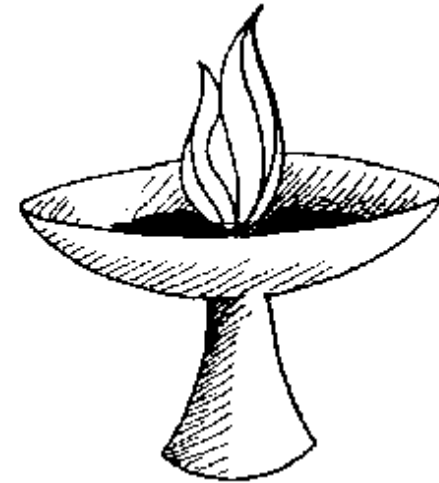
Feb 16 **Newsletter Submission Deadline**
– riseingcarol@gmail.com

Feb 16 **Booklet - AGM 2014 available in church**

Feb 21 **UCN Film Night - The Way** 7:00 p.m.

Feb 23 **AGM for UCN** – John Northover

Unitarian Congregation of Niagara



Co-op Groceries in St. Catharines
– *Karrie Porter*

January 26, 2014

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Order of Service
Sunday, January 26, 2014

Speaker:	Karrie Porter
Service Leader:	Stella Hawke
Musician:	Theresa Pothier

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Words: **Responsive Reading #567**
 "To Be of Use" by Marge Piercy

I want to be with people who submerge in the task,
*Who go into the fields to harvest and work in a row and pass
the bags along.*

Who stand in the line and haul in their places,
*Who are not parlor generals and field deserters, but move in
a common rhythm, when the food must come in or the fire be
put out.*

The work of the world is common as mud. Botched, it smears
the hands, crumbles to dust.

*But the thing worth doing, well done, has a shape that
satisfies, clean and evident.*

Greek amphoras for wine or oil, Hopi vases that held corn, are
put in museums but you know they were made to be used.

*The pitcher cries for water to carry, and a person, for work
that is real.*

Chalice Lighting: **#698 by Wayne B. Arnason**

Take courage friends.

The way is often hard, the path is never clear,
and the stakes are very high. Take courage.

For deep down, there is another truth: you are not alone.

Hymn: **#21 For the Beauty of the Earth**

Joys and Concerns

Offertory

Reading: **#561 by Margaret Mead**

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed
citizens can change the world, indeed it's the only thing that
ever has.

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Discussion:

**Where does economic development or change come from
– above, or below?**

Hymn: **#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are**

Closing Words: **#682 from the North American Navajo**
Let us all read together:

Beauty is before me, and beauty behind me,
above me and below me hovers the beautiful.

I am surrounded by it, I am immersed in it.

In my youth, I am aware of it, and, in old age,

I shall walk quietly the beautiful trail.

In beauty it is begun.

In beauty, it is ended.

Extinguish Chalice: **#456**

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 are together again.

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