

Announcements

Postlude: Please remain seated for the piano selection.
Please join us for coffee and refreshments. Please put your own chair away first if you are able.

Dates to Remember...

September 2018

All events are at the UCN unless otherwise noted.

- Sept.19 (Wed.) October Newsletter Submission Deadline** –
larganturmel@gmail.com & riseingcarol@gmail.com
- Sept.24 (Mon. 7:30 pm) Book Club** at the home of Joan Rothman, “*Careless in Red*” by Elizabeth George
- Sept.28 (Fri.) Pub Night** – 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Cat’s Caboose, billiards room, 224 Glenridge Ave., St. Catharines.
Topic, **Play: play as a child and play as an adult**
- Sept.30 (Sun. 11:00 am) Surviving and Thriving Bi-Polar Disorder** – Emely Nicolaidi

October 2018

- Oct.11 (Thurs. 7:00 pm) Meet and Greet Regional Council 2018 Candidates**

FRAGRANCE-FREE POLICY

The Unitarian Congregation of Niagara is a fragrance-free zone. Fragrance may be distressful and threaten the well-being of those around you. In order to make this a safe and welcoming environment for everyone who comes here, we ask that you refrain from wearing fragrances. Your understanding and co-operation is appreciated.

Unitarian Congregation of Niagara



Video sermon from Christian Picciolini:
My Descent into Neo-Nazism and How I Got Out

September 23, 2018

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Order of Service
Sunday, September 23, 2018

Service Leader: Roy Blake
Musician: Theresa Pothier

Prelude Piano Selection – Theresa Pothier

Welcome

Opening Words:

First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Socialist.
Then they came for the Trade Unionists, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Trade Unionist.
Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Jew.
Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.
– Martin Niemöller

Chalice Lighting: Penny Blake: *Come with Me*, sung
by the choir.

Joys and Concerns

Hymn: #1012 ***When I am Frightened***

Offering: Tom Lehrer: *National Brotherhood Week* (video,
1965)

Responsive Reading:

In the face of hate,
We answer the call of love.
In the face of exclusion,
We answer the call of inclusion.

In the face of homophobia,
We answer the call of LGBTQ rights.

In the face of racism,
We answer of justice for all races.

In the face of xenophobia,
We answer the call of pluralism.

In the face of misogyny,
We answer the call of women's rights.

In the face of demagoguery,
We answer the call of reason.

In the face of religious intolerance,
We answer the call of diversity.

In the face of narrow nationalism,
We answer the call of global community.

In the face of bigotry,
We answer the call of open-mindedness.

In the face of despair,
We answer the call of hope. – Julia Corbett-Hemeyer

Address: **Christian Picciolini: *My Descent into
Neo-Nazism and How I Got Out***
Discussion and Comments

Hymn: #347 **Gather the Spirit**

Closing Words:

**Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us
guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act.**
– Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Extinguishing the Chalice:

**If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for
myself, what am I? If not now, when?** – Hillel

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