

Extinguishing the Chalice:      Live for today  
   Dream for tomorrow  
   Learn from yesterday

Postlude:  
(Please remain seated for the postlude. You are welcome to join in refreshments and conversation following the service)

### Dates to Remember...

#### November 2012

- Nov 18**    **December Newsletter Deadline**  
              – please send submissions to:  
[criseing@cogeco.ca](mailto:criseing@cogeco.ca) & [solution@vaxxine.com](mailto:solution@vaxxine.com)
- Nov 23**    **Film Night - 7:00 p.m. - Kundun**
- Nov 25**    **Poverty in Niagara – John Storm**  
              *S.L. Karen Johnson-Hosein*

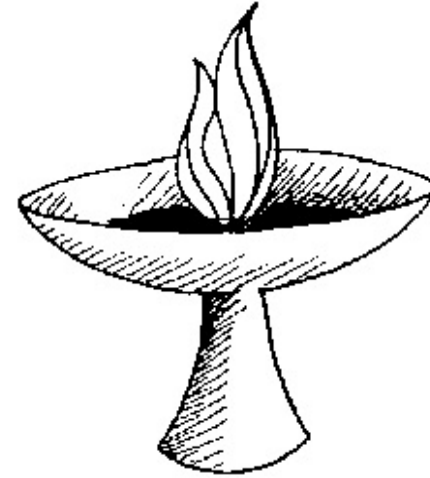
#### December 2012

- 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 Vegetables – Saving from our**  
              **Past for our Future – 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**

#### **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*



## **A Brief History of UCN – Every Path Has its Puddles**

– Andrea Gravelle

**November 18, 2012**

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***Order of Service***  
**Sunday, November 18, 2012**

Speaker: Andrea Gravelle  
Service Leader: Andrea Gravelle  
Musician: Theresa Pothier

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Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Words: **“Come into This Circle of Caring”**– R. Gilbert

*Come into this circle of caring,  
Come into the community of gentleness, of justice and love.  
Come and you will be refreshed.  
Let the healing powers of this people penetrate you.  
Let loving kindness and joy pass through you.  
Let hope infuse you.  
And peace be the law of your heart.  
In this human circle caring is a calling.  
All of us are called.  
So come into the circle of caring.*

Chalice Lighting: **#449**

We hallow this time together by kindling the lamp of our heritage. – Albert Thelander

Hymn: **#1 “May Nothing Evil Cross This Door”**

Joys and Concerns

Choir Selection: **“Lean on Me”**

Offering: **#402 “From You I Receive”**

Responsive Reading: **“Life is Always Unfinished Business”**  
– Richard Gilbert

In the midst of the whirling day  
In the hectic rush to be doing  
In the frantic pace of life  
Pause here for a moment .....

***Consider that our lives are always unfinished business  
Imagine that the picture of our being is never complete  
Allow your life to be a work in progress.***

Do not hurry to mold the masterpiece.  
Do not rush to finish the picture;  
Do not be impatient to complete the drawing  
From beckoning birth to dawning death we are in process  
And always there is more to be done.

***Do not let the incompleteness weigh on your spirit  
Do not despair that imperfections mark your every day.  
Do not fear that you are still in the making.***

Let us instead be grateful that the world is yet to be created.  
Let us give thanks that we can be more than we are;  
Let us celebrate the power of the incomplete,  
For life is always unfinished business.

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Discussion

Hymn: **#354 “We Laugh, We Cry”**

Closing Words:

We are at home in this sanctuary and with these people. We are at home on this globe and with all who dwell upon it; we are at home in this cosmos, our home for all times past and all time to come . . . We are at home here. R.G.

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