

UU CORTLAND



E-NEWS

## A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

**October 2, 2011**

*Finding Self, Finding Truth*

Living is a process. There are ups and downs in any life. At times we can make decisions based on superficial or the wrong criteria. We blame ourselves for problems that follow. We just have to keep moving ahead knowing that we made what we thought

was the right decision based on what we believed to be true at the time. We need to forgive ourselves and gain more self knowledge to help us make better decisions in the future.

Reverend Jan will explore what it means to find self and find truth.

**October 9, 2011**

*The Mixture That is Life*

The Mixture That Is Life is made up of the good, the bad, the ugly, and the

beautiful. Zen and other traditions teach us to greet all of these things with equanimity and perhaps joy. Julia Schult will lead this service.

**October 16, 2011**

*Welcoming the Stranger*

An anonymous writer wrote, "May we know once again that we are not isolated beings but connected, in mystery, and miracle, to the universe, and to each other." (cont. page 2)

Does this statement apply only to people we already know and who are part of our community or do we open our arms and hearts to the stranger as well.

Rev. Jan will reflect on what it means to welcome people into the community as the debate about immigration continues.

### **Sunday Oct. 23, 2011**

We will celebrate United Nations Sunday with a service led by John Ogden ↗

### **Sunday Oct. 30, 2011**

Tim Beherendt and Peggy Spencer will lead the worship service and inspire us with their many instruments and extraordinary musical talents.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10:00 – 2:00 pm**

There will be a rummage sale at the church in the social hall. Donations are being accepted on ↗

### **Friday, Sept. 30 from 6 – 8 pm.**

As always, volunteers are needed on Friday to help organize and price items. We also need folks to sell the items on Saturday.

#### **Friday October 14, from 7:00 – 8:00 pm**

The Susquehanna String Quartet will perform at the church. \$10 for individuals, \$15 for a family or \$10 plus a food item (s) for the local food pantry. (cont. on page 3)

**The choir**, under the direction of Martha Folley, will sing on **10/2, 10/16 & 10/23**. Rehearsal time is **9:00 am** in the sanctuary before the service.

**Faith Development** led by Chris Ogden, takes place from **9:30 – 10:15** in the social hall.