

UNIVERSALISM COLLECTION

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HISTORY

Universalism is the belief in the salvation of all souls. As an organized movement, it had its beginnings in the United States in the middle of the 18th century. The Enlightenment was responsible for mitigating the sterner aspects of Calvinistic theology and preparing the way for the reemergence of the doctrine of universal salvation. The Universalists believed it impossible that a loving God would elect only a portion of mankind to salvation and doom the rest to eternal punishment. They insisted that punishment in the afterlife was for a limited period during which the soul was purified and prepared for eternity in the presence of God. The early Universalist movement was given its greatest impetus by the preaching of John Murray (1741-1815), who moved from England to colonial America in 1770. He propagated the doctrine throughout most of the colonies, often against much opposition from orthodox Christians who believed that Universalism would lead to immorality. From the 19th century, Universalists felt a close kinship with Unitarians, since the two groups shared many views and practices. They were formally merged in 1961, creating the Unitarian Universalist Association.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS

This collection consists of .4 linear feet of unrelated materials about the Universalist Church acquired by the library from various places at various times. It also includes several periodicals published by Universalist Churches and Publishers.

Universalist Churches in St. Lawrence County

1835:	No data					
1845:	5 churches:	Canton	Fowler	Madrid	Oswegatchie	Potsdam
1855:	10 churches:	Canton	Colton	Edwards	Fowler	Hammond
		Madrid	Oswegatchie: 2	Potsdam	Rossie	
1865:	5 churches:	Canton	Madrid	Morristown	Oswegatchie	Rossie:
1875:	8 churches total in North Country					

Box 1

“Ministers of the Church 1825-1985” by Max Coots (written 1976 updated 1985.) *Note:* SLU Archives staff has added the present ministers along with a short bio from them.

Folder 1 **Universalist church in Canton (1858-1979)**

Photo of the First Universalist Church, Canton, NY
Universalist Church Card for Rev. J.M. Payson - Pastor 1898-1899
Receipt of Clara Robinson for \$25 donation to Church Building Fund
Various programs
Manuscript for “Dr. Scattergood’s Clinic” ca 1928
Other ephemera

Folder 2 **Madrid Universalist Church**

Meeting House Deed between First Universalist Society and Elisha Whitney- 1843
A sermon (author and date, unknown)

Folder 3 **Other Universalist Churches**

"All Souls' Historical Lectures to the School Children of Brooklyn, on Four Early American Statesman" 1896
“Installation of Rev. Lewis Edwin Pease as Pastor of the Church of Our Father”
Brooklyn, NY 1896
"The Enlightener" (Rev. Ulysses Sumner Milburn, Minister) published in Salem Massachusetts 1917, May 27
An invitation to the laying of the corner stone of the Universalist National Memorial Church Washington D.C. 1929, April 28
“Anniversary Banquet of The Universalist”, Bridgewater, NY

Folder 4 **Universalist Organizations**

1952 Yearbook "The Association of Universalist Women"
1892 Membership card of Mrs. J.S. Lee of Canton to the Woman's Centenary Association of the Universalist Church
Financial Report of the Secretary- July 1, 1910 to July 1, 1911
"Programme of the New York State Convention of Universalists and Auxiliary Organizations" October 3-7, 1910
Meeting of the Universalist Central Association At Hubbardsville, NY
100th Anniversary of the Madison Church and the Meeting of the Central Association- June 2, 1921
Meeting of the Central Association of Universalists and 100th Anniversary of the Church of the Reconciliation- June 22, 1923
Items of historic interest concerning the Independent Christian Church, in Gloucester, Mass.

Folder 5 **Universalist Sermons**

"Good Tidings of Great Joy: or the Doctrine of Universal Salvation, clearly stated, incontestably proved, and faithfully applied, in a Sermon"

Folder 6 **Photographs & Press Clippings from Universalist General Convention - SLU - 1947**

Program flyer "The General Assembly of the Universalist Church of American and the Biennial Conventions..." September 9-14, 1947
Photo of Dr. George E. Huntley, Universalist minister-author being congratulated by SLU
Photo of President Eugene G. Bewkes following ceremonies conferring honorary Doctor of Letters degree (In the photo also is Dr. John Murray Atwood dean of the Theological School.)

Photo of A.U.W. Business discussed. (In photo also is Mrs. Rosalie West of Boston, Rev. Maurice Cobb pastor of Universalist church in Clinton, NC, and Mrs. Holbrook Mulford of Chicago)

Photo of Rev. Carleton Fisher, chief of the church service committee, Rev. Charles Vickery or Dover-Foxcroft, Maine and Emerson Hugh Lalone general chairman of Service Committee of the church

Photo "Three brothers prepare for Ministry" Robert, Wallace and David MacPherson students at the theological school at Tufts College

Photo "Universalists from Whole United States Meet at Assembly" pictured are Rev. Clare Blauvelt of California, Rose Smith, of Michigan, Rev. Lawrence Abbot of Ohio, Ruth Smith of Michigan and Rev. William Arms of Peoria Illinois

Folder 7 **Universalism - Events and Meetings**

Letter to Elders and Messengers from various Societies 1797

Universalist Centenary Order of Services during the session of the General Convention of Universalists in Gloucester, Mass September 20-22, 1870

Program of "The Annual Meeting of Green Mountain Association of Universalists at Chester, Vt." June 14-15, 1893

"Our Folks: A Drama in Three Acts" given by the Valley Stream Literary Society at The Criterion, Brooklyn, NY 1896, April 21

"The Murray Anniversary Crusade Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Founding of Universalism in America" [n.d.]

Folder 8 **Booklets and Publications**

"The Larger Faith: A Statement of Universalism" by Rev. Frederick W. Betts

"Universalism: A Religion Appropriate for Man" edited by Royal Cloyd 1959

"Our Liberal Heritage" by Alfred S. Cole 1951

"The Helper" -The Faith of a Free Church: An Exposition of Universalist Beliefs 1940

"Who Are Our Leaders: Four biographical sketches of Unitarian and Universalist Leaders" by Virginia F. McGill 1958

"Garnered Thoughts" 1903, January

"Universalist Mobilization" by Harold Marshall

"What Do Universalists Believe?" by J.M. Austin

"Bound... By gold Chains... About the feet of God" (Church Membership Booklet)

"The Universalist Family Visitor" 1841, August

"Brief Review of a Pamphlet, published by the Rev. Robert Travis, entitled 'Animadversions'" 1823, October 23

"The Everlasting Gospel or Fall of Babylon"

"The Anti Universalist" August 5, 1829

Box 2

Folder 1 **Correspondence**

Letter, "Very dear Brother" (Alvah Sherman - Hopkinton) from L. Matteson- 1851

"The Ralph Waldo Emerson Hunt Family Daily Devotions"

"Bicentennial Universalists" by Dorothy Cleaveland Salisbury

Folder 2 **Sermons by W.H. Skeels**

"People Who Like Jesus"

1958 February 19 Ash Wednesday "Our Lenten Calendar"

Notes for and sermon "People Who Like Jesus"

- Folder 3 **Sermons by W.H. Skeels**
 "Successful Living"
 Notes and article 1947, November 23 "The Kidnapped Indian" by Dr. Frank Monaghan
 Sermon "Successful Living"
- Folder 4 **Sermons by W.H. Skeels**
 "The Badge of Courage"
 Sermon "The Red Badge of Courage" Psalm 27:1-6
 Notes for sermon
- Folder 5 **Sermons by W.H. Skeels**
 "I am Please to Meet You"
 Sermon "I Am Pleased o Meet You"
 Notes for sermon
- Folder 6 **Reverend Harold H. Niles D.D** (Grad. of St. Lawrence Theo. 1914)
 Notes and clippings
 Letters to friends
 "Saint Lawrence Saints"
- Folder 7 **Reverend Harold H. Niles D.D.** (Grad. of St. Lawrence Theo. 1914)
 Notes, clippings and articles of Rev. Niles for his article "Saint Lawrence Saints"
 Article "Saint Lawrence Saints" by Rev. Harold H. Niles D.D.
- Notebook "It's Been a pleasure (notes)"
 Book "What the Universalist Church is Doing 1907 to 1909"
 "A Sermon Delivered at the Dedication of the Union Church at Canton "By Jonathan Wallace
 1829, November 5
 "Universalist General Convention Session - Washington D.C." 1939
 Magazine: "The Universalist Leader"
 June 28, 1919;
 January 1923;
 September 12, 1925 (2 copies)
 Kathryn Fraser Mackay memorial Lecture Series
 "The Objectivity of Good" by Alasdair MacIntyre 1988, October 12
 "Aristotle on Human Nature and the Foundations of Ethics" by; Martha C. Nussbaum 1990,
 December 6
 "When God Has Lipstick on His Collar: Theological Implications of Divine Adultery" by
 Wendy Doniger 1991, September 22
 "The Empire State Universalist" magazine 1930, October
 "A Discourse in Vindication of Unitarianism from Popular Charges Against It" by Rev. Arthur
 B. Fuller
 "The Universalist Companion with an Almanac and Register" by A.B. Grosh 1849
- Box 3
- Folder 1 **Magazine Articles**
 "World: The Journal of the Unitarian Universalist Assoc."- July/August 1993
 "The Convention at Work" January 1901
 "My Philosophy of Life" by Rev. Harold H. Niles
- Folder 2 **Letters and ephemera 1832-1898**

Notebook with Rev. Harold H. Niles, D.D. story "It Has Been a Pleasure - And It Still Is"
 Notebook from library of Rev. Dewitt Lamphear "Universalist Church General Conference
 Association minutes. July 1805 to June 22, 1907
 Notebook of talks with notes and clippings by Rev. Harold H. Niles
 19th Century Hearlds of Salvation in Northern New York
 Purposive Preaching
 "My Father's Story (Dewitt Lamphear)", by Mary Minerva Lamphear Metz.
 "Annual Journal of the Universalist Historical Society"- 1966
 "A Century of Liberal Leadership" 1846-1946

Box 4 **Universalist Books** (Acquired from All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, Watertown, NY)

Gospel Criticism and Historical Christianity, by Orello Cone, 1891
The Perfect Life in Twelve Discourses, by Wm. E. Channing, 1873
The Universalists Guide, by Thomas Whittemore, 1846
A Commentary on the New Testament, by Lucius R. Paige, 1845
The End of Religious Controversy, by Rev. John Milner, ca. 1840
Select Sermons of Rev. E.H. Chapin, preached in the Broadway Church, 1859 (2 copies)
The Doctrine of a Future Life, by William Alger, 1867
Song and service book for Ship and Field (issued by the Army & Navy) 1942

Oversized Holdings

Photo of Universalist Church National Laymen's Committee Dinner, Jan. 19 1925, Hotel
 Commadore- Owen D. Young identified to the right of microphone at head table.

Universalism in America, the North Country and St. Lawrence University, large format poster
 project, Akintunde Akinmade , '06 (see MSS #108 Oversize-plus St. Lawrence County)

Universalist Periodicals

* Available on microfilm in American Periodicals, 1741-1900 (APS). Although SLU does not own the complete APS files,
 APS microfilm is held by a number of libraries and would ordinarily be readily available via ILL.

** SLU has some or all of title on APS microfilm.

Title	Place	Vol.	Dates
<i>Balm of Gilead and Practical Universalist</i>	Concord, NH	v. 1-3	1841-1844
<i>Christian Ambassador</i>	New York City	v. 1-3	1847/48-1849/50
<i>Christian Ambassador</i>	Auburn & NYC	v. 1-17	1851-1867
<i>Christian Disciple</i>			1814-1823
<i>Christian Freeman and Family Visitor</i> Merged with <i>Trumpet and Universalist Magazine</i> .	Waltham & Boston	v. 1-23	1839/40-1861/62
<i>Christian Intelligencer</i> ** (Also v.3 no.2-v.6 no.26 (1823-1827) on microfilm #134.2 reel 593)	Portland, ME	v. 1-4, 6	
<i>Christian Leader</i>	NYC & Boston	v. 1	1869

<i>Christian Leader & Family Visitor</i>			1839-1848
<i>Christian Messenger, Devoted to Doctrine*</i> Merged into <i>Philadelphia Universalist Magazine and Christian Messenger</i> .	Philadelphia	v. 1-2	1819/20-1820/21
<i>Christian Pilot</i>	Portland, ME	v. 1	1832/33
<i>Christian Preacher</i>	Augusta, ME	v. 3 no. 4	1833
<i>Christian Repository**</i> Also v.1-6 1820-1825 on microfilm #134.2 reel 1309	Woodstock	v. 1-9	1821-1829
<i>Christian Repository</i>	Montpelier	v. 38-49	1858/59-1869/70
<i>Christian Teacher</i>	Lafayette, IN	v. 1-2	1841-1842
<i>Christian Telescope**</i> Also v.1-2 1823-1826 on microfilm #134.2 reel 89	Providence	v. 1-4	1824-1828
<i>Christian Visitant</i>	Belfast, ME	v. 1-2	1826-1827
<i>Christian Visitant: A Collection of Essays</i>	Utica, NY	v. 1-3	1832-1835
<i>Empire State Universalist</i>			1915-1931
<i>Evangelical Magazine and Gospel Advocate*</i>	Utica, NY	n.s. v. 1-18	1830-1847
<i>Evangelical Repository</i>	Troy, NY	v. 1	1827/28
<i>Evangelical Restorationist</i> Bound with <i>Utica Magazine</i> , v. 1 (Mar. 1827-Mar.1828)	Troy, NY	v. 1, #1-23	1825-1826
<i>Expositor and Universalist Review*</i>	Boston	n.s. v. 1-4	1833-1840
<i>Glasgow Universalist's Miscellany</i>	Glasgow	v.2	1813-1814
<i>Gospel Advocate and Impartial Investigator**</i> Vols. 1-4 published as <i>Gospel Advocate</i> . Also v. 1-4 1823-1827 on microfilm #134.2 reel 503	Buffalo & Auburn	v.1-7	1823/24-1829
<i>Gospel Anchor</i> Merged into <i>Religious Inquirer</i> .	Troy, NY	v.1-3	1831-1834
<i>Gospel Herald**</i> (Also v. 1-7, n.s. v.1 on microfilm #134.2 reel 503)	New York	v. 2-7	1821/22-1826/27
<i>Gospel Inquirer**</i> v.1 bound with <i>Plain Truth</i> , v.2, v.2 bound with <i>Gospel Palladium</i> (v.1) and a duplicate copy of <i>Christian Telescope</i> (v.1) (Also v.1 1823-1824 on microfilm 134.2 reel 110) Note: Correspondence tucked inside v.2 of <i>Gospel Inquirer</i> indicates we may have the only extant copy of this volume. OCLC says the periodical ended with v.1, no 26, but that is incorrect, as we have v.2 no. 1-24.	Little Falls, NY	v. 1-2	1823-1825
<i>Gospel Messenger</i>	Providence, RI	v. 1 no.51	Nov.13, 1841
<i>Gospel Palladium**</i> Bound with <i>Gospel Inquirer</i> (v.2) and a duplicate copy of <i>Christian Telescope</i> (v.1)	Warren, RI	v.1	1823

Also v.1 no.6 and v.2 no.1 on microfilm #134.2 reel 110

<i>Gospel Preacher</i>	Providence	v. 1-2	1827/28-1828/29
<i>Gospel Visitant**</i> Also v.1-v.3 no.2 1811-12 and 1817-18 on microfilm #134.2 reel 110	Charlestown, MA	v.1-2	1811/12, 1817/18
<i>Herald of Freedom and Gospel Witness</i>	Bethel, CT	v.2	1823/33
<i>Herald of Life and Immortality**</i> Also on microfilm 134.2 reel 113	Boston	v.1	1819/20
<i>Herald of Salvation**</i> Also on microfilm 134.2 reel 113 Merged into <i>The Universalist</i> (Utica), ODY Periodicals BX9901.U52 and microfilm #134.2 reel 1308.	Watertown, NY	v.1-2	1822-1824
<i>Herald of Truth</i> Merged into <i>Evangelical Magazine and Gospel Advocate</i> .	Geneva, NY	v.3-4	1836-1837
<i>Ladies Repository</i> – see <i>Repository</i>			
<i>Liberal Extracts</i> Bound with duplicate copies of <i>New York Gospel Herald</i> v.2 no.7, 16,18, 23-25)	Woodstock, VT	v.1	1829/30
<i>Manford's Monthly Magazine</i>	Chicago	v.9-10, 12-17	1865-66, 1868-73
<i>Messenger of Peace**</i> Also on microfilm #134.2 reel 217	Hudson, NY	v.1	1824/25
<i>New York Christian Messenger and Philadelphia...</i> Note: v. 5-8 were published as v. 1-4 of the <i>Universalist Union</i> (q.v.), then publication of the <i>New York Christian Messenger</i> resumed.	New York	v.1-4, 9-20	1831-35, 1839-50
<i>Olive Branch and Christian Inquirer</i> Combined with <i>Herald of Salvation</i> and <i>Universalist Review</i> to form <i>New York Gospel Herald and Universalist Review</i> .	New York	v.1	1828
<i>New York Gospel Herald and Universalist Review</i> Duplicate copies of v.1 no.7, 16, 18, and 23-25 bound with <i>Liberal Extracts</i>	New York	v.1	1829
<i>Onward</i> Winchendon, MA			1926-1929
<i>Philadelphia Universalist Magazine & Christian Mes.*</i>	Philadelphia	v.1-2	1821/22-1822/23
<i>Plain Truth</i> v.2 bound with <i>Gospel Inquirer</i> , v.1.	Canandaigua, NY		
<i>Religious Inquirer**</i> Also v.1-5 on microfilm #134.2 reel 234) <i>Christian Intelligencer</i> v.6 bound with <i>Religious Inquirer</i> v.6.	Hartford, CT	v.1-10, 12-14	1821-31, 1833-36
<i>Repository</i> Duplicate loose issues in box for v.32, v.39, no.1-3, 6, v.40, v.49 no.5-6, v.50 no.1-2, 5-6, v.52 Title changes: 1832-1833: <i>The Universalist</i> 1834-1842: <i>The Universalist and Ladies Repository</i>	Boston	v.1-52 with gaps	1832-1874

1843-1873: *The Ladies Repository*
 1873-1874: *The Repository*

<i>Rochester Magazine and Theological Review*</i> Bound with <i>Universal Liberator</i> , v.1. Merged with <i>The Universalist</i> (Utica), RBR BX9901.U52 and microfilm #134j.2 reel 1308	Rochester, NY	v.1	1824
<i>Southern Pioneer</i> Sermons by Otis Skinner and Thomas Whittemore bound into v. 1 Duplicate copies of <i>Universalist Union</i> v. 2 no. 21-51 and v. 3 no.1-2 bound with v. 6	Baltimore	v. 1, 6	1832, 1836/37
<i>Spiritual Telegraph</i>	New York	v. 1, 5-8	1852, 1856-60
<i>Star of Bethlehem</i>	Lowell, MA	v.1	1841
<i>Trumpet and Christian Freeman</i> – see <i>Universalist Leader</i> (Boston)			
<i>Trumpet and Universalist Magazine</i> – see <i>Universalist Leader</i> (Boston)			
<i>Unitarian Miscellany</i>			1821-1824
<i>Unitarian Congregational Yearbook</i>	Boston		1849-50; 1867-74; 1852-58
<i>Universal Liberator</i> Bound with <i>Rochester Magazine</i> ...	Georgetown, OH	v.1	1822/23
<i>Universalist</i> --See <i>Repository</i>			
<i>Universalist</i> -- See <i>Universalist Leader</i> (Boston)			
<i>Universalist Circulating Family Library</i>	Baltimore	v.1	1836
<i>Universalist Expositor*</i> Mostly (but not entirely) reprints form <i>Universalist Expositor</i> (Boston), 1831-1832	New York	v.1-2	1846
<i>Universalist Leader</i> (Boston)			
Publication history and holdings:			
1819-1828: <i>Universalist Magazine</i> * (v.1-9 (1819-1828) in RBR BX9901.U57			
1829-1862: <i>Trumpet and Universalist Magazine</i> * (v.10-30, 33-42 (1828-49, 1851-62)			
1862-1864: <i>Trumpet and Christian Freeman</i> (v.43-45 (3 rd ser. V.1-2) 1862/63-1863/64)			
1864-1878: <i>Universalist</i> v.46-56 (1866-1875)			
1879-1898: <i>Christian Leader</i> (no holdings)			
1898-1925: <i>Universalist Leader</i> (v.9, 15,21-24, 26 (1906-1923) in ODY Periodicals BX9901.U55			
1953-1961: <i>Universalist Leader</i> (v.135-142 (1953-1960) in ODY Periodicals BX9901.U55			
<i>Universalist Preacher</i>	New York	v.1 –2	1829
<i>Universalist Sermons</i> (10 sermons)			1820-1865
<i>Universalist Union</i> Duplicate copies of v.2 no21-51 and v.3 no.1-2 bound with <i>Southern Pioneer</i> , v.6	New York	v.1-4, 7-12	1836-39, 1841-47
<i>Universalist Watchman and Christian Repository**</i> on microfilm #134.2 reels 1309 and 1310)	Woodstock, VT	n.s. v.3-4, 10-18	

Utica Evangelical Magazine see *Utica Magazine*

*Utica Magazine**

Utica, NY

v.1-3

1827/28-1829

Title changes:

1827-1928 v.1 *Utica Magazine*

1828-1929 v.2 *Utica Evangelical Magazine* (merged with *Evangelical Repository*)

1829 v.3 *Evangelical Magazine* (merged with *Gospel Advocate and Impartial Investigator* to become *Evangelical Magazine and Gospel Advocate*)