

Sheridan, Chautauqua Co. NY

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting:

Be it known that on the 30th day of April 1860 the male persons of full age belonging to the Religious Society known as Universalists, assembled at the meeting house of said Society in the Town of Sheridan in the County of Chautauqua [and] State of New York pursuant to section three of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies" passed April 5, 1813 & to public notice given pursuant to statute & having first nominated by a majority of the members present Newell Usher & Jesse E. Baldwin to preside at such meeting proceeded to elect & did elect by plurality of voices Newton Smith, Hiram N. Wheelock & Jesse E. Baldwin to serve as Trustees of said Society.

It was thereupon resolved & determined that said Society be a body corporate. The name or title by which said Trustees & their successors shall forever thereafter be known shall be the First Universalist Society of the Town of Sheridan.

All which we certify pursuant to statute
Dated May 31, 1860

Jesse E. Baldwin
Newell Usher

Chautauqua County

On the 2^d day of June 1860 Newell Usher & Jesse E. Baldwin who are known to me to be the same persons named & who have subscribed the within certificate personally appeared before me & severally acknowledged that they had executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned[.]

E. F. Warren
Notary Public

Chautauqua County

Recorded June 4, A.D. 1860 at 5 PM

T. S. Bly clerk

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