

A meeting of the Universalists held at their church
in the town of Greenfield, County of Saratoga and State of New-
York on the 27th Day of May A.D. 1833 pursuant to publick notice
given and constitute a Society or Religious Corporation
according to Statute in such case made and provided, On
motion elected John Harris and Henry Peacock to president
at this meeting as Moderators, Elected Hiram Medbery
Clerk to this meeting. Resolved that this Society forever hereafter
be known and distinguished by the name and title of the
First Universalist Society in the town of Greenfield.
Resolved that six Trustees be elected for said Society,
The following Persons were duly elected as said trustees (to wit)
George Jay Thomas Dible George Riddell Mark A.
Child, John Harris and John C. Harris, The said trustees
were classed in the following manner, viz. No 1, 2, 3.
and drawn according to Statute, Trustees belonging to class
No 1 are John Harris and Mark A. Child No 2 George
Jay and Thomas Dible No 3 George Riddell and John
C. Harris. On motion Elected Hiram Medbery as Clerk
of said Society, and also Clerk of said Trustees. Resolved
that John Harris and Henry Peacock be the returning

~~minutes~~
Officers to make and file the certificate with the county Clerk
Resolved that Pensalver Saps be Treasurer and Benjamin M.
Williams Collector for said Society, Resolved that this meeting
adjourned Sin Di
Henry Peacock
John Harris Moderator

At the annual meeting of the first Universalist Society
of the town of Greenfield pursuant to public notice
Mark A. Child was called to the Chair Hiram Medbery
present as Clerk, John Harris and Mark A. Child were selected
trustees for 3 years Samuel Gregory was elected Trustee in the
place of John & Harris removed Greenfield May 27th 1834
Society adjourned, Hiram Medbery Clerk

At the annual meeting of the first Universalist Society of
the town of Greenfield pursuant to Public notice
Hiram Medbery was called to the Chair and John Medbery
appointed Secretary Thomas Dible and George Saps were selected
Trustees adjourned May 27th 1835, Pensalver Saps

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the town of Greenfield pursuant to Publick Notice
Seth Austin was called to the chair John W. Medbery
present as Clerk, Resolved that Thomas Dible and Henry
Peacock be elected trustees for 3 years Henry Peacock
was elected trustee in the place of George Jay whose term
has expired adjourned Greenfield May 26th 1838
John W. Medbery } Clerk

At a Meeting of the first Universalist Society of the
town of Greenfield held at the Universalist Church
in said town on the 22^d Day of Sept 1838 pursuant
to Publick notice George Riddell was called to the
chair and John W. Medbery present as Clerk.
After the Object of the meeting was made known it was
unanimously Resolved that John Harris, Pinckus
Hathaway Henry Wibe and Henry Barton were
legally appointed Delegates to attend a convention to
be held at the Village of Fort Ann on the 3rd and 4th Days
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After the Object of the meeting was made known it was
unanimously Resolved that John Harris Phineas
Hathaway Henry Wiley and Henry Barton were
legally appointed Delegates to attend a convention to
be held at the Village of Port Ann on the 3rd and 14th Days
of October next for the purpose of Transacting such

winning as may come before the Convention, And this is
Certify that John Harris Phineas Hattaway Henry
Wiley and Henry Barton are Duly appointed Delegates
to attend the above mentioned Convention and we do
hereby cordially recommend them as such. That they are
active Members and in good Standing in the above
mentioned Society, and that Phineas Hattaway is in
good Standing an Ordained Preacher in our Society
By Order of the Society John W. Medbery } Clerk

At a Meeting of the first Universalist Society of the
town of Greenfield held on the 31st Day of March 1839
pursuant to Publick notice. Resolved that John
S. Peacock be our Standing Clerk. Resolved that a
Committee of five be appointed to furnish said Society
with articles of Faith and a constitution. The following
articles and constitution was presented by the committee
and unanimously adopted by said Society on the 21st
Day of April 1839 John S. Peacock } Clerk

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Articles of Faith

Art 1st We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament contain a revelation of the character of God and of the Duty Interest and final Destination of Mankind —

Art 2^d We believe that there is one God whose nature is Love, revealed in one Lord Jesus Christ by one Holy Spirit of Grace who will finally restore the whole family of Mankind to Holiness and Happiness.

Art 3rd We believe that Holiness and true Happiness are inseparably connected and that believers ought to be careful to maintain order and practice Good works, for these things are good, profitable unto Men.

Constitution

First This Society shall be known by the name of the first Universalist Society of the town of Greenfield —

Second The officers of this Society shall consist 1st of five Committee Men elected annually

whose duty it shall be to provide preaching
to direct where meetings shall be held to direct
the clerk to notify Society meetings when
necessary, they shall also constitute a committee
of discipline to labour with disorderly members
and report them to the Society if they will not
conform to the rules of the Gospel. 2^d One Clerk
elected annually whose duty it shall be to notify
Society meetings when directed by the committee
and to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society.

Rules

1st This Society shall hold an annual meeting
on the 27th Day of May of each Year.

2^d A Majority of the members of this Society
shall rule in the election of officers.

3rd In rejecting or receiving applicants for
membership in excluding or retaining members
and in all the deliberations of the Society.

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4th This Society shall elect a delegation to represent
said Society at the annual meeting of the Hudson
River Association.

5th Every Person can become a member of this Society
by subscribing his or her name to the above
articles and rules, and conforming their lives
to the rules of the Gospel — — —

<u>Names of Members</u>	<u>Names of Members</u>
Mark A. Child	Benjamin M. Williams
Ezekiel Harris	Joseph Williams
Abner Medbery	Samuel Gregory
Henry Peacock	John W. Medbery
George Saff	Ephraim Harris 3 ^d
Reverend Saff	Henry Barton
George Riddell	Henry Wiley
John E. Harris	Ephraim Harris 1 st
John Harris	William Harris
Hiram Medbery	Seth Austin

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Henry Medbery

Henry H. Scott

Leonard Palmer

Ely W. Peck

John S. Peacock

Chester Yantis

Chauncy D. Medbery

Wellington Peck

Daniel C. Mouchouse

Nathan Medbery

Isaac Riddell

S. H. Geary

Samuel G. Gibbs

John R. Harris

Cephas Rose

Charles G. Lathrop

Wilson D. Mouchouse

Seth Hill

Thomas W. Swinn

Henry F. Rowland

David R. Riddell

Wm Rowland

Abner A. Childs

Harry J. Peacock

Orin Peacock

Luther Leach

Joseph Bartlett

Lewis J. Mills

E. C. Mills

Mr. E. B. Sumner

Geo. N. Peacock

At a Meeting of the first Universalist Society of the
town of Greenfield according to previous notice held
on 16th Day of March 1840. John Williams was called
to the chair John S. Peacock present as Clerk
Resolved that the Clerk be authorized to purchase
a Book to transcribe the former proceedings, Resolved
that a petition be drawn and circulated for the purpose
of raising the sum of hundred dollars to use in
repairing the Church and that the trustees of Said
Society be requested to circulate the above petition
Adjournment John S. Peacock } Clerk

At the annual Meeting of the first Universalist Society
of the town of Greenfield pursuant to Public notice
Samuel Gregory was called to the chair John S.
Peacock present as Clerk Resolved that Samuel Gregory
and John W. Breal be elected trustees for 2 years
Resolved that John Harris and Chauncy D. Newbery
be elected trustees for 3 years that Nelson D. Morehouse
be elected trustee for one year in the place of

Thomas Dible removed, and that John S Peacock
stand as Clerk for the ensuing year. Resolved that
George Riddell be elected collector of said Society
for the ensuing year adjournment Greenfield May 23rd 1840
John S Peacock, Clerk

At a Meeting of the first Universalist Society
of the town of Greenfield pursuant to notice
held on the 16th Day of August 1840 Resolved unanimously
that the church shall be open for the accommodation
of other Denominations when not occupied by the
above Society and unanimously resolved that it
shall be Discretionary with the trustees of said Society
when and how long it may be granted for use
of other Denominations. Resolved that a committee
of seven be appointed to make arrangement for the
coming Association John S Peacock Abner
Medley Remondier Day George Riddell William
Mitchell Henry Peacock and John Davis were duly
appointed such committee
John S Peacock, Clerk

At a meeting of the North River Association
held at the first Universalist Church in
Greenfield on the 24th 3rd Day of Sept 1840. Samuel
Gregory and John W. Peacock were appointed
Deacons of said Church for the time being
John S. Peacock } Clerk

At a meeting of the Universalist Church
in Greenfield held on the 26th Sept 1840
Resolved that the ^{1st} Covenant and the names of the
Members be transcribed and annexed to the
Articles of Faith on the Society Book
Resolved that new Members be admitted
by the consent of all the Members present
and by a Confession of Faith have the right
hand of Fellowship tendered to them in the
name of the Church
John S. Peacock } Clerk

Covenant

We whose names are hereunto Subjoined possessing
a devout and religious desire to unite with a
regular Church of Christian for the promotion
of Morality, Religion, and Good order in Society,
and also for the participation of the benefits of
fellowship and Social communion having duly
reflected and deliberated on the foregoing
profession of faith, and finding it most congenial
with our feelings and expressive of our own personal
faith respecting the great and glorious ~~gates~~
of Salvation. Do hereby make confession of the
Same before Men, and in the presence of our heavenly
Father, by Subjoining our Signature in testimony
of our Sincerity and Fidelity, and promise so far
as divine assistance shall be given us to walk
uprightly before God and man, according to the
precepts of the Gospel as children of light, to
counsel, advise, watch over and if necessary,
admonish one another in brotherly love and

friendship, as children of one common Father
destined to glorify God, and enjoy him forever.
We farther engage that we will not reject or
disfellowship any Brother or Sister merely on
account of a difference of faith on particular
points of doctrine but will affectionately invite
all believers in Christ to our fellowship and
Communion, who lead a pious and godly
life, and feel a desire to unite with us in
shewing forth the Lords death by visible
Symbols, that we may thus be built up
together upon the foundation of the apostles
and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the
chief corner stone in whom we pray that
the whole building, fitly framed together
may grow unto an holy temple in the Lord,
and we be thus enabled to keep the unity of the
Spirit in the bonds of peace.

Subscriber names Subscriber names

Ezekiel Harris Stephen Lansing

John W. Greal

Ceplius Rose

Samuel Gregory

Nelson D. Morehouse

Leonard Palmer

Almira Palmer

John S. Peacock

Betsy Harris

Rebecca Sat

Hannah Sat

Cyrus Greal

Amanda Greal

Symon W. Cook

Samuel G. Swinnow

Leophrona Smith

Abby Tourtellot

David Bennett

Polly Bennett

At Annual Meeting of the first Universalist
Society of the town of Greenfield pursuant to public
notice Samuel Gregory was called to the chair
John S. Peacock present as clerk Resolved that
N. D. Morehouse and William Mitchell be
elected ^{to} vesters for said Society for 3 years
Resolved that John S. Peacock was elected Clerk
for 1 year and George Riddell elected collector
for one year Adjourned May 27th 1841

John S. Peacock Clerk

At a Special Meeting of the first Universalist
Society in Greenfield held on the 16th Day of
October 1841 Henry Peacock was called to the
Chair and John S. Peacock present as Clerk
Resolved that a committee of three be appointed
to settle up the several Subscription Bills and
Remuel S. Nelson D. Morehouse and John S.
Peacock were appointed Members of said Committee
Resolved that a preacher be employed for
help of the time for one year and that an effort
be made to raise one hundred and fifty

Dollars to support said Preacher.
Resolved that a committee of two be appointed
to obtain subscribers to the constitution of this
Society. N. J. Morehouse and Orr Peacock were
appointed

Resolved that we as a Society discountenance
the use of Ardent Spirits in all suitable ways

Adjourned Oct 16th 1841

John S. Peacock Clerk

At an Unusual meeting of the first universal
Society in Greenfield George Riddell was chosen
Moderator and John S. Peacock present as Clerk

Noted that John W. Beal and Samuel Gregory
serve as trustees for said Society for 3 years

John S. Peacock Clerk and George Riddell

Collector for the ensuing year. Voted that the
Society hold its Annual Meeting the last
Saturday in March. to which time the Society
adjourned May 27th 1842

John S. Peacock Clerk

At a special Meeting of the first Universalist
Society in Greenfield held on Saturday Oct 1st
1842 it was unanimously Resolved that Lyman
W. Cook Samuel J. Livermore & Sephrona Smith
be received as members into our church

John S. Peacock Clerk

At their Annual Meeting of the first
Universalist Society in Greenfield George Biddell
was called to the chair John S. Peacock
was Elected Clerk for ensuing year John
Davis & Kearsalan Sax was Elected trustees
of said Society for 3 years. this Meeting was
adjourned from the last Saturday in March
last to present time Adjourned to meet
at our Annual Meeting the last Saturday
in March next Greenfield April 8th 1843

John S. Peacock's Clerk

At a Special Meeting of the first Universalist
Church in Greenfield held on Saturday the 15th
July 1843 It was unanimously Resolved that
David Bennett and Polly ~~his~~ wife be received
as members into our church

John S. Peacock, Clerk

at a Special Meeting of the first Universalist
Church in Greenfield Resolved that we will follow
the rule laid down by our Saviour in Matt 18 Chap
15-16-17 verse as our guide in matters of Discipline
Greenfield July 29th 1843

John S. Peacock, Clerk

At a Special Meeting of the first Universalist Church
in Greenfield held on Sunday the 17th Sept 1843
It was unanimously Voted that Stephen Lansing
be received as members into our church.

John S. Peacock, Clerk

At a Special Meeting of the first Universalist Society in Greenfield held on Saturday evening Feb 19th 1844 pursuant to public notice George Riddell was elected chairman and John S. Peacock present as clerk. Voted that the Church of said Society shall be repaired as far as the subscription will go according to the discretion of the building committee appointed for that purpose. ~~and~~ Daniel Morehouse, Henry Peacock and George Riddell were appointed Members of said Committee. Adjourned

John S. Peacock & Clerk

At an Annual meeting of the first Universalist Society in Greenfield held on Saturday March 29th 1845 pursuant to notice George Riddell chairman J. S. Peacock clerk Henry Peacock Justice for one year, Abner Medbery two years Samuel Gregory ten years N. D. Morehouse and Israel Riddell three years. adjourned to last Tuesday in March 1845 at 1 o'clock P. M. John S. Peacock Clerk

At an annual meeting of the first Universalist
Society in Greenfield held on Tuesday March 31st
1846 pursuant to notice. Israel Riddell. Chairman
J. S. Peacock clerk. voted that Henry Peacock
and John Harris be Trustees for three years
for said Society and that George Riddell be
Trustee to fill vacancy of Abner Medbury Decan
for one year, S. Gregory serves one year more
and N. D. Morehouse & Israel Riddell. serves two
years, voted that William Harris be collector
adjourned to meet last Tuesday in March
1847 at 1 O'clock P.M.

John S. Peacock } Clerk

At the annual meeting of the first Universalist Society
in Greenfield held on Tuesday March 20th 1848 J. Riddell Chairman
J. S. Peacock clerk for the coming year voted that Samuel Gregory
George Riddell be trustees for said Society short term 2 years
and Wm. Peacock & Israel Riddell long term 3 years
voted William Harris collector the ensuing year
adjourned to last Tuesday in March 1849 at 1 O'clock
P.M.

John S. Peacock } Clerk

At the Annual Meeting of the first
Universalist Society in Greenfield held on
Tuesday 27th March 1849 pursuant to public
notice Willis Peacock was chosen Chairman
J. S. Peacock Clerk for the ensuing year
Voted That Henry Peacock and John Harris
be elected Trustees ^{of said Society} for three years and
William Harris Collector for ensuing year
Adjourned to Last Tuesday in March
1850 at 10 O'clock P. M.

John S. Peacock } Clerk

At the Annual Meeting of the first Universalist Society
in Greenfield held on Tuesday 26th March 1850 pursuant
to public notice, Samuel Gregory was chosen Chairman
J. S. Peacock Clerk for the ensuing year Voted that
George Riddell and Nelson D. Mordhouse be Trustees of
said Society for three years Adjourned to Last
Tuesday in March 1851 at 10 O'clock P. M.

John S. Peacock } Clerk

At the Annual Meeting of the first Universalist Society in Greenfield held on Tuesday March 29th 1853 pursuant to public notice at the Church at Peters Corners William Harris was chosen Chairman Voted that J. S. Peacock be Clerk for the ensuing year, Voted that Henry Peacock & John Harris be trustees of said Society for the term of one year that of George Riddell & Samuel Gregory for the term of two years and that Israel Riddell & Nelson S. Morehouse for the term of three years from said date above adjourned to last Tuesday in March 1854 at 1 o'clock P.M.

John S. Peacock, Clerk

At the Annual Meeting of the first Universalist Society held March 28th 1854 pursuant to public notice at the Church at Peters Corners Israel Riddell was chosen Chairman Voted that J. S. Peacock be Clerk for the ensuing year.

Voted that Henry Peacock & John Harris trustees for three years from the above date. Adjourned to last Tuesday in March 1855 at 1 o'clock P.M.

John S. Peacock, Clerk

At the Annual Meeting of the [unclear] [unclear]
held March 27/58 [unclear] to publish
Notice at the Church at [unclear] [unclear]
Israel Riddell was chosen Chairman vote
that J. S. Pease be Clerk for the ensuing year
and that George Riddell and Samuel
Gregory be trustees for three years and
that Joseph Bartlett be trustee for two
years in the place of J. Riddell which
was vacated by his removal from the County
Adjourned to the last Tuesday in
March 1856 at 10 o'clock P.M.

J. S. Pease, Clerk