

## HISTORIC UU SITES IN THE GREATER CINCINNATI AREA

**Bunker Hill Universalist Pioneer Cemetery**, Reily Township, Butler County, Ohio; about 45 minutes North of Cincinnati, near Oxford. Was a Native American burial ground. Universalist Society established in 1854 bought the site in 1855. The church burned in 1924. Property was deeded by the Universalists to Butler County in 1964.

**First Unitarian Church**--Oldest Unitarian Church in the city, founded in 1830, present building built in 1889; 526 Linton Street, (281-1564), Avondale.

Former sites:

- 8<sup>th</sup> and Plum. Site for First Congregational Church (Unitarian) from 1869-1889. Across 8<sup>th</sup> St. from Wise Temple.
- 6<sup>th</sup> and Mound. Site for Church of the Redeemer (1862-1875) that merged with First Congregational Church in 1875.
- 4<sup>th</sup> and Race Streets (southwest corner). Original site for First Congregational Church (Unitarian) founded in 1830.

**St. John's Unitarian Universalist Church**—320 Resor Ave., Clifton.

On present site since 1951. Sanctuary built in 1960. 1946--left former site and met in Masonic Temple, now part of Hebrew Union College. Former German Protestant St. John's Church, est. 1814. 1924--became St. John's Unitarian Church.

Former site:

- 12<sup>th</sup> and Elm. Site of the German Protestant St. John's Church. Building still exists in disrepair. Includes name of St. John's. Has been many churches. If you visit the Cincinnati Museum Center you can see this historic building in the Downtown display.

**Harriet Beecher Stowe House**--2950 Gilbert Ave., Walnut Hills. Home of Harriet Beecher Stowe, Author of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, member of the Semi-Colon Club (literary society founded by Unitarians). Home can be seen by appointment only (632-5100). Note: building is closed for renovation until July 1, 2005.

**Heritage Universalist Unitarian Church**, 2710 Newtown Rd. Anderson Township

Only active historically Universalist Church in Cincinnati. Its roots are in several Universalist Churches going back to the First Universalist Society founded in 1828.

**Hopedale Unitarian Universalist Community**; 3260 Oxford Millville Rd., Oxford, Ohio (513-523-4500). Organized in 1990.

**Northern Hills Fellowship**, 460 Fleming Rd., Springfield Township (near Wyoming and Finneytown)—931-6651.

Founded in 1961 by members of First Unitarian Church. The Beech Grove Cemetery is adjacent to the church. This is where Pioneer African-American Unitarian Minister, W.H.G. Carter is buried.

**Spring Grove Cemetery**, 4521 Spring Grove, Ave., Winton Place (681-7526)

Site of burial of many famous Unitarians including Alphonso Taft, father of President William Howard Taft, and George Hoadly.

**Universalist Church in Montgomery**, Corner of Montgomery and Remington Rds. Founded in 1837. The church was disbanded in 1926. Owned by the city of Montgomery; call 891-2424 for a tour.

**William Howard Taft House**; 2038 Auburn Ave., Cincinnati (across from Christ Hospital). Open 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Birthplace and boyhood home of President William Howard Taft, member of First Unitarian Church, Moderator of the General Conference of the A.U.A.