

1938 Sermons¹

June 26	Religion Ordinary [references to Aldous Huxley; Willard Sperry, Dean Harvard Divinity School; Reformation without Tarrying for Any]
July 3	Tis We Musicians Know [In memory of Robert Collyer Douthit, Minister in Petersham 1898-1902; 1912-1929; Reference to Robert Browning's Abt Vogler]
July 10	Freedom Under a Covenant [200 th anniversary morning service]
July 17	In Life and In Reality [references to Emerson's Self Reliance and his Divinity School Address]
July 24	Faith in Human Nature [references to Wilder's Our Town; Whitman's Song of Myself; death of Supreme Court Justice Cordozo]
July 31	Live a Life of Faith and Hope [references to Johan Bojer's 1916 novel, <i>The Great Hunger</i>]
August 7	Contrast of Towns [Mention of Boniface VIII and Christmas 1299]
August 14	By Way of Contrast [Mention of Charles F. Adams]
August 21	An Honest Prayer [references to St. Augustine, Kipling's "The Explorer"]
August 28	The Creative Soul of Man [references to a 1938 book from a 1937 Oxford conference, "The Kingdom of God and History;" to a Harper's essay by Stoyan Pribichevich, "In an American Factory"]
September 4	Labor and Life [references to Kropotkin's <i>Mutual Aid a Factor in Evolution</i> ; Matthew 7:1-2]

¹ Davis collected the notes for his sermons in 1938 in a small booklet. The edited transcription of this booklet is available. Here I list the sermons by date and subject.

September 11	Reverend Charles P. Wellman conducted the service
September 18	By Liberal/Noble Things Shall he Stand
September 25	Steeple Still Stands
October 2	From Generation to Generation: The Prayer for Peace [reference to Emerson's essay, "Compensation"]
October 9	Sermon by Charles E. Park
October 16	What is Truth? [Luke 23; Luke 15; Prodigal son]
October 19-20	Senexet [notes found in 1941 bundle] [Matthew 7:7-12; John 4; Kipling's "The Explorer"]
October 23	A Church of the Free Spirit [Isaiah 32; King Hezekiah]
November 6	A Man of Integrity
November 13	Hunting for Neighbors; Hunting for ???
November 20	Union Thanksgiving Service; Rev. James T. Carter
November 27	The Freeman's Oath
December 4	Which Way Religion? [Matthew 23:1-12; Matthew 16]
December 11	Advent, Coming
December 18	From Trivial Illusions to a Majestic Faith [Matthew 2:1-11]
December 25	In the Fullness of Time Service conducted by Annie F. Davis (ECD not feeling well)