

## 1941 Sermons<sup>1</sup>

- May 25            Union Memorial Service
- June 1            Men of Faith in Every Age  
                    [Exchange with Robert Schacht, Minister of First Unitarian Church of Providence, RI. Readings: Isaiah 52:12-53:9; Matthew 7:7-14 or Matthew 4:26-29; M. Arnold's "We Cannot Kindle"]
- June 8            The Long View  
                    [1842 quote from Dr. O. Dewey in George Cooke's 1902 *Unitarianism in America*]
- June 29           A Living Church  
                    [Matthew 20:20-28; Luke 12:1-5 ]
- July 6             The Kingdom Yet to Be  
                    [Isaiah 32:1-8, 13-20; Faith for Living, page 233]
- July 13            Incompleteness  
                    [Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Micah 6:6-8; Mark 12:28-34, 41-44]
- July 20            By the Slow Forces of Growth  
                    [Luke 17:20-21; Romans 12; Les Miserables ]
- July 27            The Slow Process of Discovery  
                    [John 4:19-26,32-39; NYT clipping from 7/18/41 on danger to infant from rabies]
- July 27            The Slow Process of Discovery  
                    At The Old Chestnut Hill Meeting House, Millville, MA  
                    [John 4:19-26,32-39]
- July 30            Isles of Shoals Retreat: Round Table Discussion of S.N.E.C.
- August 3           In Thy Will is our Peace  
                    [Psalm 42; St. Augustine; Matthew Arnold]

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<sup>1</sup> Davis collected the notes for his sermons in 1941 in a small booklet. This booklet was not well ordered, and I have put the sermons in proper chronological order. The booklet also included several sermons—11 of the 41 total—from dates outside 1941. I have excluded them here and moved them to their proper chronological place. The edited transcription of this booklet is available. Here I list the sermons by date and subject.

- August 10            No Title  
                              [Psalm 103]
- August 17            Rev. Sumner Mitchell of Brookfield and Sanford, ME preached
- August 24            The Keys to the Kingdom  
                              [James 1:19-27; 3:13-18; A. J. Cronin, *The Keys to the Kingdom*, pages  
                              319-20]
- August 31            F.R. Griffin, preacher
- September 7        The Instinct of Curiosity and Where it Leads Us  
                              [Jeremiah 31:31-34; Job 42:1-6; Matthew 13:31-32]
- September 14      The Menace of Dictatorships, And the Way Out  
                              [Luke 16:19-31; Romans 12]
- September 21      Superstition and Idol Worshipping  
                              [Luke 12:22-34,34-39]
- September 28      Not Yours but You: Not Dogma but Personality  
                              [Proverbs 8:20-36; Matthew 7:6-12; Romans 8:38-39; Emerson's  
                              Transition, p. 342]
- October 5            The Feel of Belonging  
                              [Isaiah 41:1-10; Philippians 3:12-16; mention of Lewis Mumford]
- October 12          Exchange with Max Savage. Preached in Worcester. Not Yours but You  
                              [See notes and outline for Sept 28, 1941]
- October 19          An Eternal Cornerstone: Freedom Speaks in Us  
                              [Matthew 7:24-29; M.R.O. 123-4]
- October 26          Out of Exile  
                              [Soul of Bible, page 67-8; Acts 9:1-9; Victor Hugo's *William Shakespeare*,  
                              page 294-95]
- November 2         Ourselves and Our Children: Education for Life  
                              [Galatians 5:6-10; Ruskin, Gothic]
- November 5-6      Senexet  
                              [Ruminations on trees]

- November 9      We Confess Our Sins  
                         [Luke 17:11-21, 18:9-17; Emerson, G.C. page 241]
- November 16     Union Thanksgiving Service: “Binders: Yours and Mine”  
                         [Jeremiah 29:11-14; Galatians 5:25-6:10; Mayflower Compact]
- November 23     Adventure and Discovery  
                         [Ephesians 6:5-20; Emerson, “Be of good cheer”]
- November 30     Time Moves On  
                         [Isaiah 61; Luke 4:16-20]
- December 7      A Record of Discovery: The Bible  
                         Found out of order with the sermon notes for 1942-1943; copy included  
                         here  
                         [Jefferson Bible]
- December 14     Religious Liberty  
                         [Channing; Sermon on the Mount; Jefferson’s Bible, pp.10-11]
- December 21     “In the Days of Herod the King”  
                         Christmas Service, and Vesper Service  
                         [Matthew 2:1-11]