

# Rebirth



A song written and performed by the children of the  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Rock Tavern, NY



The children who performed on the CD,  
left to right, from top: Ethan Pahucki  
(age 10), Ryan Lieth (age 8), Madison  
Smith (age 11), Cecelia Pahucki  
(in church and in studio, age 4),  
Anya Tenewitz (age 10), Emma Millen  
(age 10), Evelyn Cashara (age 12),  
Molly Kirk (age 10), Elizabeth Landrum  
(age 13), Abraham McGinn (age 15),  
Evan Pahucki (age 9)

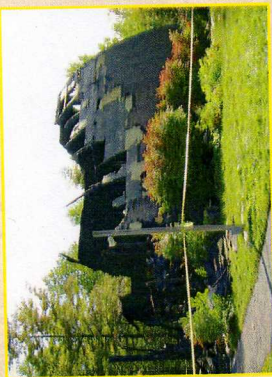


## Rebirth and the UUCRT Campaign

On September 12, 2006 the Meetinghouse of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Rock Tavern, NY was fully destroyed by fire. During the dark days immediately following the fire, members of the congregation struggled with their grief and other feelings associated with the loss. Two songwriters of the congregation, Keith Jordan and Jackie Venable, asked the children if they would like to write a song about their feelings and observations about the meetinghouse and their hopes and dreams for the future. During a series of collaborative sessions in religious education class, Keith and Jackie worked with the children on expressing their feelings in words and music. The beautiful song *Rebirth* is the result. Although Keith and Jackie helped with the technical aspects of songwriting, the words and music of this song come from the hearts and minds of the children.

One of the most frequently voiced desires of the children during this entire process was that they wanted to help. They want to know that they can have a real part in helping their congregation rebuild its meeting house. This CD is their way of participating in the effort to raise funds, raise awareness and raise the level of hope and excitement about the future of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Rock Tavern. All proceeds from the sale of this CD (minus \$3 per CD for expenses) will go to the Building Fund, and will let the children know that their efforts have been successful.

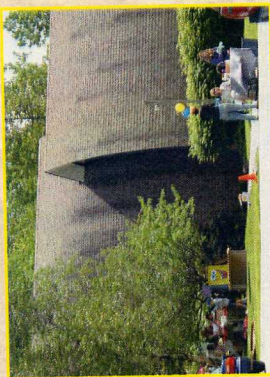
For more information about the UUCRT and the Campaign, including artist's renderings of the planned new building (when available), please visit our website: [www.uucrt.org](http://www.uucrt.org) or call 845-496-9696.



Front of Meetinghouse after fire.



Remains of sanctuary after fire.



Front of UUCRT Meetinghouse before fire.



Inside the sanctuary before fire.

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Evan Pahucki  
Emily Scholl  
Alli Siculo  
Keith Jordan and  
Jacqueline Venable

When we heard the awful news, we felt upset and sad inside.  
It seemed as if a dear beloved friend of ours had died.  
The building where we went to church on Sundays had burned down.  
But we were still alive, and our friends were all around.

Chorus: Rebirth, it's all about rebirth.  
From smoking embers, hearts combined.  
With spirits rising, souls entwined.  
Rebirth, it's all about rebirth.  
Like a phoenix from the ashes,  
We will rise with our heads high. Rebirth.

The Meetinghouse is gone but we are still together here.  
We have a congregation of good friends that we hold dear.  
We miss the sanctuary and the arches of that place.  
But we know that we're together in the challenges we face with...

## Chorus

We have confidence and hope and plans for building something new.  
We need workers and materials and funds to see it through.  
We'll have a home to share our faith and music, art and more.  
With your help we'll go forward, we will spread our wings and soar.  
We're family to each other, sisters, brothers, parents, friends,  
As we worship, work, and learn, and love and mend.  
We lost our building, found our way.  
We're ready for a brand new day of...

## Chorus

We will rise again!

**The children who performed on the CD:** Evelyn Cashara, Molly Kirk, Elizabeth Landrum, Abraham McGinn, Emma Millen, Ethan Pahucki, Evan Pahucki, Cecelia Pahucki, Madison Smith, and Anya Tenewitz: Vocals • Ryan Lieth: Maracas

**Other musicians:** Andrew Raia: Guitars • Brett Vance: Drums  
**Produced by:** Keith Jordan, Jacqueline Venable and Amy Fradon

**Engineered by:** Andrew Raia of Revelation Studios, New Windsor, NY and Robert Bard of Skytop Sound, New Paltz, NY

**Mixed by:** Andrew Raia of Revelation Studios. For more information about Revelation Studios, please visit the website [www.revelationstudios.info/](http://www.revelationstudios.info/)

**Mastered by:** Mark Dann, Mark Dann Recording, New York, NY

**Pictured,**  
top to bottom:  
Keith Jordan  
Jackie Venable  
Amy Fradon  
Andrew Raia  
Robert Bard

**Cover:** Photo of Fire Blessings Chalice, a quilted wall hanging created by Peg Green for the UUCRT, 2007

