

**Cortlandville, Cortland Co. NY
(Cortlandville)**

Be it remembered that the male members of the Universalist Society in Homer & Cortlandville convened at there [sic] meeting house in Cortlandville on the 7th day of May in the year of our Lord 1839 for the purpose of organizing the saide [sic] society[,] legal notice having been given for that purpose[.] [O]n examining the records it appeared that the said Society was legally incorporated in November 1813 by the name of the first Charitable Universalist Religious Society in the town of Homer[.] [I]t further appears that the certificate of incorporation by a new name made in January 1829 was not legally acknowledged thereof proceeded to reincorporate and reorganize said society[.] Reverend A. C. Barry was chosen moderator and proceeded to business[.] First resolved that we reincorporate the First Charitable Universalist Religious Society of the town of Homer which was incorporated November 1813 by the name of the First Universalist society of the town of Cortlandville. Appointed Mead Merrill and Jacob Badgley returning officers. Voted that we have six trustees. Voted that Mead Merrill[,] Jacob Badgley[,] Erastus Berry[,] Benjamin Roberts[,] Orin Persons and Talmon Barnham be said Trustees[:]

First Class
Orin Persons
Benjamin Roberts

2d Class
Talmon Barnham
Mead Merrill

3d Class
Jacob Badgley
Erastus Berry

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above written

Mead Merrill
Jacob Badgley

State of New York
Cortland County

On this eighth day of May 1839 personally appeared before me Mead Merrill and Jacob Badgley personally known to me to be the same persons described in and who executed the within indenture or certificate of incorporation and severally acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned

Henry Stephens First Judge of Cortland County

Cortland County Old Church Records pp. 57-8