

Today's Music

- Prelude:** *Allegro, ma non troppo* from Sonata in G Major
Ludwig van Beethoven
- Chalice Song:** *Though Gathered Here #340*
words by Christine Doreian Michaels,
music by Frederick Wooden
- Musical Meditation:** *Adagio Cantabile from the Pathetique Sonata*
Ludwig van Beethoven
- Offertory:** *Rondo from the Pathetique Sonata*
Ludwig van Beethoven
- Recessional:** *Ode to Joy*
Ludwig van Beethoven

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Gwen Foss, Cantor

Flowers are donated by Linda Darga in memory of Vic Schumacher.

Today's Ushers: John Angry Dale Compton
Margaret Wilkie Carolyn Ludwig

Today's Greeters: Sally Borden Beth Bailey

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers. **CD recordings** of today's service will be available for \$5 from our sound technician in the Social Hall after the service.

Please visit us at www.1stuu.org; email the church secretary, Tamara, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

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January 26, 2014

Polytheism:

Creating Your Own Pantheon

Rev. Roger Mohr



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness
Love Courageously*

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OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles
Singing Together*
Welcome – Danny Rebb, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #23 *Bring Many Names*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #441 *To Worship*
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn* #2 *Down the Ages We Have Trod*
Recessional

*All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)*

Blue Boat Home #1064

words: Peter Mayer, music Roland Hugh Prichard/ accomp. arr.
Jason Shelton

1. Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains. Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say: I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

2. Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea, leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep. Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls, making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

3. I give thanks to the waves up holding me, hail the great winds urging me on, greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song: I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.

Morning Has Come #1000

music and words by Jason Shelton

1. - Morning has come---, arise and greet the day!
Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness!
- The light of hope here shines--- upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

2. - A new day dawns---, once more the gift is giv'n
Wonder fills this moment shared together.
- The light of peace here shines--- upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

3. - Open our eyes--- to see that life abounds;
Open hearts to welcome it among us.
- The light of love here shines--- upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

I'm On My Way #116

African American Spiritual

1 I'm on my way to the freedom land. I'm on my way to the freedom land. I'm on my way to the freedom land. I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

2 I asked my sister, come and go with me. I asked my sister, come and go with me. I asked my sister, come and go with me. I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

3 I asked my brother, come and go with me. I asked my brother, come and go with me. I asked my brother, come and go with me. I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

4 If they say no, I'll go anyhow. If they say no, I'll go anyhow. If they say no, I'll go anyhow. I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

5 I'm on my way, and I won't turn back. I'm on my way, and I won't turn back. I'm on my way, and I won't turn back. I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

Reading: #441 **To Worship**

To worship is to stand in awe under a heaven of stars, before a flower, a leaf in sunlight, or a grain of sand.

___To worship is to be silent, receptive, before a tree astir with the wind, or the passing shadow of a cloud.

To worship is to work with dedication and with skill; it is to pause from work and listen to a strain of music.

___To worship is to sing with the singing beauty of the earth; it is to listen through a storm to the still small voice within.

Worship is a loneliness seeking communion; it is a thirsty land crying out for rain.

___Worship is kindred fire within our hearts; it moves through deeds of kindness and through acts of love.

Worship is the mystery within us reaching out to the mystery beyond.

___It is an inarticulate silence yearning to speak; it is the window of the moment open to the sky of the eternal.

~Jacob Trapp

Announcements and Events – January 26, 2014

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