

### Today's Music

- Prelude:** *Heal the World*  
Michael Jackson
- Chalice Lighting:** *Night and Day*  
Andrew C. Backus
- Choir Anthem:** *We're Not Lost from "Naked Man"*  
Robert Seeley
- Musical Meditation:** *Over the Rainbow*  
Harold Arlen
- Offertory:** *Aquarius/ Let the Sun Shine In*  
music by Galt McDermot
- Recessional:** *Love Will Keep Us Together*  
Neil Sedaka and Howard Greenfield

### First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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

**Today's Flowers** are given by Bob Neale for Mary Neale's birthday!

**Today's Ushers:** John Angry                      Robert Neale  
                         Carolyn Ludwig              Cynthia ZurSchmiede

**Today's Greeters:** Sally Borden              Muzummal Faiz

**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](http://www.1stuu.org); email the church secretary, Tamara, at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org); or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

## *First Unitarian-Universalist Church*

**April 21, 2013**

*"Earth Day, Detroit!"*

*Reverend Roger Mohr*



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness  
Love Courageously*

**First Unitarian-Universalist Church is an urban center for  
spiritual renewal and social justice in Detroit**

### OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

#### ENTERING

Lighting of Candles  
Singing Together\*  
Welcome – Worship Leader

#### CENTERING

Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\* #1067 *Mother Earth, Beloved Garden*  
Choir Anthem Todd Ballou, 1<sup>st</sup> UU Choir

#### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading #530 *Out of the Stars*  
Message

#### RETURNING

Offering  
Closing Hymn\* #207 *Earth Was Given as a Garden*  
Benediction\*  
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.

### **De Colores #305**

words by David Arkin, Traditional Spanish folk music

1 All the colors, yes, the colors we see in the springtime with all of its flowers. All the colors, when the sunlight shines out through a rift in the cloud and it showers. All the colors, as a rainbow appears when a storm cloud is touched by the sun.

(Chorus) All the colors abound for the whole world around and for ev'ryone under the sun.

2 All the colors, yes, the colors of people parading on by with their banners. All the colors, yes, the colors of pennants and streamers and plumes and bandannas. All the colors, yes, the colors of people now taking their place in the sun. (Chorus)

3 All the colors, yes, the black and the white and the red and the brown and the yellow. All the colors, all the colors of people who smile and shake hands and say "Hello!" All the colors, yes, the colors of people who know that their freedom is won. (Chorus)

1. De colores, de colores se visten los campos en la primavera. De colores, de colores son los pajaritos que vienen de a fuera. De colores, de colores es al arco iris que vemos lucir. You por eso los grandes amores de muchos colores me gustan a mi.

### **Turn the World Around #1074**

words and music by Harry Belafonte and Robert Freeman

1. We come from the star dust, living in the star dust, go back to the star dust, turn the world around  
Whoa- oh- oh, so is life. Ah-ah-ah so is life!  
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2. We come from the ocean.....

3. We come from the forest.....

4. We come from the city.....

### **Opening Hymn: Mother Earth, Beloved Garden #1067**

words and music by Amanda Udis-Kessler

1. Mother Earth, beloved garden, living treasure under foot, All our days you ground our being: sage and thistle, grass and root. Herbs to heal us, plants to feed us, land to till and tend and plow. With the pendant, deep as midnight, North we ask you: be here now.

2. Father Air, your inspiration holds together all that lives. As we breathe, our minds see clearly, leading us to love and give. Raging whirlwind, whispered breezes, violent gale and gentle cloud. With the blade as sharp as morning, East we ask you: be here now.

3. Brother Fire, great transformer, share the passion of the sun. In our hearths, your warmth revives us, cooks our food and heats our homes. Flaming candle, blood within us, blazing desert, will to grow. With the wand, directing power, South we ask you: be here now.

4. Sister Water, ever flowing, ocean, river, pond and rain. Drink we now and quench our thirsting, cleanse us, we begin again. Mist and ice, a host of changes, all that courage will allow. With the cup, the holy chalice, West we ask you, be here now.

5. Lover Spirit, intuition in the center of our souls. In your love we find relation. All connected, we are whole. Timeless mystery, quiet conscience, deepest values, voice inside. With the drum and with the cauldron, this we ask you, be our guide.

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**6:00 p.m.** Detroit Soup--Sean McAde and I attended the last one. Ask us about it.

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