

**First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

**April 30, 2017**

**“The Web of Existence”**

**The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray**



*Liberate Truth ~  
Radiate Kindness ~  
Love Courageously*

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

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**ENTERING**

Lighting of Candles  
Singing Together\*

*The 7 UU Principles (see insert)  
#407 We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table*

**WELCOME**

Dessa Cosma, Worship Leader

**CENTERING**

Prelude  
Calling to Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\*

*#175 We Celebrate the Web of Life*

**DEEPENING**

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading  
Response  
Message

*#123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)*

**RETURNING**

Offering  
Closing Hymn\*  
Recessional

*#1052 The Oneness of Everything*

*Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation  
(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)*

**Today's Music**

*Our musician today is Hannah Waterstone. Welcome back,  
Hannah!*

**Prelude:** *Opening from Glassworks*  
by Philip Glass

**Musical Meditation:** *Across the Universe*  
John Lennon and Paul McCartney

**Offertory:** *Dream Gaze 2*  
H. Waterstone

**Recessional:** *Arabesque #1*  
Claude Debussy

**First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister  
Todd Ballou, Music Director  
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator  
Humphrey Blakemore, Social Hour Coordinator  
Julia Cuneo, Child Care Provider

**Today's Ushers:** Regina Weiss Danny Rebb

**Today's Greeters:** Bill Dickinson Carmen M King

**Hearing Assistance** devices are available from any of our **Greeters**.

**Large Print Hymnals** are available from the **Greeters**.

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

**Sing along: The Seven UU Principles**  
**words by Carol Benson Holst (tune: Do Re Mi)**

The syllables that are underlined will crunch together to fit the pre-existing melody.

ONE- Each person is important

TWO- Be kind in all you do

THREE- We're free to learn together

FOUR- And search for what is true

FIVE- All people need a vote

SIX- Build a fair and peaceful world

SEVEN- We care for Earth's lifeboat

That will bring us back to me and UU...(repeat)

**Announcements and Events – April 30, 2017**

**FLOWER DONATIONS:** Today's flowers are given by Lencha and Al Acker in celebration of the second wedding anniversary of Alena Acker and Jim Dingilian.

**MOTHER'S DAY PEACE VIGIL:** Women Walking Woodward for Peace invites you to a Mother's Day Peace Vigil on Sunday, **May 14**, 2017 from 9am to 10am at UU Detroit. We will stand vigil for one hour then have a closing circle (10am-10:30am). Please contact **Anita Jones** (racedancer@hotmail.com) if you want to offer a prayer, poem or song. Immediately following the vigil, please join us for our regular Sunday service @ 11am, featuring Halima Cassells, Michelle Martinez & Lydia Wylie-Kellerman.

**REGIONAL UU PICNIC:** It's that time of year! Mark your calendars for our regional UU picnic, **May 27th**, 2017 from 11:30-2:30 on Belle Isle (at the Woodside Shelter, where we were last year). If you'd like to volunteer to bring food or set up, talk to Dessa. And please spread the word to your UU friend and family around Metro Detroit!

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**CANVASS COMMITTEE:** Thank you, for your generous 2017-2018 pledges to the Church. Your pledges will allow us to go forward, with confidence, as we make many decisions in the future. If you have not pledged, please pick up a pledge form at the office or go on-line to print a copy of the pledge form. As a member of First UU all members are expected to make a pledge or contribution of record. We look forward to receiving your pledge form. If you have not pledged, please see **Joan Smykowski** or visit the church office to pick up your pledge form. The new pledge will start July 1, 2017. We will have an accurate final amount of pledges in the future. Once again, thank you!

**Sunday Sermons and Events**

**TODAY 4/30 11:00 AM "The Web of Existence"**

**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Concluding our monthly series on the seven Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association, I will focus on the Seventh Principle, "Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part."

**5/7 11:00 AM "On White Supremacy"**

**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

In response to recent events in the life of the national denomination of the Unitarian Universalist Association, our church will talk about the issues of white supremacy within the church and denomination settings. We will join a movement of over 500 American UUA churches that plan to address this topic in a two-week period.

**5/14 11:00 AM "Mothering Peace"**

**Speaker:** Halima Cassells, Michelle Martinez, and Lydia Wylie-Kellerman

Three local mothers, a writer, an artist and a radical disciple; all activists. They will share their individual musings on what it means, what it looks like, and what it takes to model peace in this world.