

Today's Music

Prelude: Sonata #387 in G Major
Domenico Scarlatti

Musical Meditation: Edelweiss from *The Sound of Music*
Richard Rodgers

Offertory: *Here Comes the Sun*
George Harrison

Recessional: *I Want to Hold Your Hand*
John Lennon and Paul McCartney

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator
Alyssa Bond, Social Hour Coordinator

Today's Ushers: Anita Jones Danny Rebb
Today's Greeters: Chloe Lundine Maysel Brooks

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

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

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

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

May 1, 2016

"May Day"

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 #95 *There is More Love Somewhere*
#1005 *Praise in Springtime*
#162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*

WELCOME

Sherry A Wells, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #63 *Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers*

DEEPENING

Invocation

Silent Meditation

Musical Meditation

Responsive Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #305 *Des Colores*

Benediction

Announcements and Events – May 1, 2016

Women Walking Woodward for Peace

We will gather at 7:30 pm in the Forest parking lot behind the church and begin the walk at 8am.

One-On-One-05/029/16, After the Service

The One-on-One Meeting date has been changed from May 8th to May 29th. It's something new at First UU. It's fast! It's fun! It's sort of like speed dating. It's an opportunity to learn more about each other.

Devil Dog Six the Play

I have tickets for the Saturday matinee at 3 p.m. on **May 14th**, at the Detroit Repertory Theatre. Tickets are \$15 with the church Treasury getting \$5 a ticket. The play is *Devil Dog Six* about horse jockeys. Please call or email me and I will also have them at coffee hour. We will also go out to dinner together after the play. Hope you can join us.
Margaret Beck 313 882 7775 margretbeck@comcast.net

Calling for More Worship Leaders

The Worship Committee is looking for more members to be trained as Worship Leaders. A Worship Leader is the person who sits up on the Chancel across from the Minister and reads a welcoming statement, announces the hymns and offertory and co-reads the Call to Worship with the Worship Coordinator. We will help you practice and give you tips about how to do the job. So for anyone who is interested in getting more information about this important but not so hard task, please join members of the Worship Committee in the Sanctuary after the morning service on Sunday, May 1, 2016. You will have time to grab some coffee and snacks!

Centennial Celebration Photos

Danny Rebb captured some great photos of our centennial celebrations. You may view photos at First UU Detroit Centennial Google Photos: <https://goo.gl/photos/zST2269cUG2YdmQR7>. We encourage you to upload your photos there by going to this button at the right-hand top side of the screen: and please label by using the button in the upper right-hand corner of the screen – click on it after uploading.

Announcements and Events – May 1, 2016

Committee Fair- 07/10/16, 12:30 pm

Oh, we wish things happened at First UU with magic, but it takes everyone volunteering to make this a great church. Committee Chairs/Leaders/ Coordinators are encouraged to be part of our upcoming Committee Fair.

Notice of Annual Congregational Meeting—May 15

Pursuant to Article IV, §2(A) of our by-laws, at 12:30 P.M. on Sunday, May 15, 2016, we will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary. At our Annual Congregational Meeting, the voting membership will elect a President and Vice-President, trustees-at-large as appropriate for expiring terms or vacant positions, and all other elected positions as provided for in our by-laws. The voting membership will also approve a budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year, receive committee reports, and transact any and all other business of the Church.

Third Annual Regional UU Picnic

Our third annual regional UU picnic is scheduled for Saturday, May 21, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Woodside Shelter on Belle Isle, on the south side of the island. Watch for details via Facebook and email, or ask anyone on the picnic team: Joel Batterman, Dessa Cosma, Matt Friedrichs, Chloe Lundine, or Aletha Oberdier.

Introduction to First UU-05/01/16, 12:30 pm

If you are interested in learning more about Unitarian-Universalism, please attend our monthly session to learn about the history and philosophy of the Church. We will be meeting in the church narthex.

Membership Committee Meeting-05/04/16, 6:00 pm

All interested individuals are invited to attend our quarterly Committee Meeting in the foyer of the Church House.

Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Linda Darga, in loving memory of Gene Perrin.

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Membership Book Signing -05/08/15, After the Service

If you are interested in joining the First UU, our monthly Membership Book Signing will be conducted after the service. Please let Regina Weiss know if you are interested in signing. Please have your membership forms completed and give them to Regina. The forms may be found at: <http://www.1stuu.org/Membership/membership.php>

Time to Decide-VOTE your choice at the May Congregational Meeting

How is First Unitarian-Universalist Church referred to? How do we want to be known in 50 years? Our legal name is: First Unitarian-Universalist Church. Currently, we use many different acronyms or abbreviations in our documents, publications, newsletters, and Order of Service. Below are listed the variety now seen (there may be others)

1. FUUD
2. FUUCD
3. First UU
4. 1stUU
5. First Church
6. First Church Detroit
7. First UU Church Detroit
8. First UU Church of Detroit

In addition, a new domain name, UUDetroit, has been acquired. The website will be migrated to the new domain sometime in 2016. Therefore, other suggested acronyms, inspired by the new domain name, might be:

9. UUDetroit
10. UU Detroit

Based on the Congregation vote, we will implement the use of our acronym in all our documents, publications, press releases, OFS, newsletter, and other written material.

Sunday Sermons and Events

5/8

11:00 a.m. Sermon, “The Mother in Me”

Speaker: Anita "Ruby" Jones

Exploring and sharing stories about my matrilineal line, I will reveal the characteristics and traits that have become inextricably woven into the Mother that I am. *BEFORE CHURCH: You are invited to meet at church at 8:00AM and join our walk to Grand Circus Park. There, we will gather on the east side surrounding the bronze statue redubbed "Ikwe Michigamma" (Woman of the Great Waters). We will offer prayers, songs and intentions to bring justice, compassion, equity and peace into the affairs of our social, political, economic and spiritual institutions. We will return to First UU for a special Mother's Day service at 11:00 AM.*

5/15

11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Unitarians in the D - Since 1833”

Speaker: Daniel Rebb

The boundaries between Unitarians and Universalists in Detroit were often quite fuzzy from the 1830's until the two congregations merged in 1934.

Our historical reenactment service in January showed how Universalists worshiped in this sanctuary during its very early days; this service continues our Centennial history theme by giving equal time to our Detroit Unitarian ancestors.

5/22

11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Remembering Tillich”

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Paul Tillich was one of the most important theologians of the 20th century, and often seen as a patron saint by Unitarian-Universalists because of his work on the relationship of theology and culture and an expansive theology of world religions. A week after delivering the keynote address at the 50th anniversary of Paul Tillich's internment at the Paul Tillich Park in New Harmony, Indiana, I will talk with our congregation about why this theologian is still relevant for us to read and discuss today.