

Today's Music

Prelude: *Hevenu Shalom Alechem and Shalom Chaverim*

Traditional Hebrew Tune

These two well known Hebrew melodies are both in our grey hymnal. "Hevenu Shalom Alechem" means "We bring greetings of Peace" and shares a tune with #260 Oshana Shira, Oshana. Shalom Chaverim is #400.

Musical Meditation: *Prayer from Jewish Life #1*
Ernest Bloch

Offertory: *Freedom Merriment & Joy*
Hebrew tune/ arr. by Howard Rosner

Recessional: *Eight Days a Week*
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: Danny Rebb Anita Jones

Today's Greeters: Aletha Oberdier Sydney Schaff

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

Large Print Hymnals are available from the **Greeters** in the back of the church.

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

December 6, 2015

"Entering Hannukah"

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

#235 *Deck the Hall*

#46 *Now the Day is Over*

Stand Up Now & Clap (see insert)

WELCOME – Sherry A Wells, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn*

#121 *We'll Build a Land*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn*

#221 *Light One Candle*

Benediction

All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Announcements and Events – December 6, 2015

Christmas Eve, Help Needed Greeting @ 6:15pm

For the Christmas Eve Service we have lots of visitors and with the Candlelight ceremony we will need extra Greeters. Please contact Glenn Maxwell at 248-219-5873 or DetroitGlenn@gmail.com if you are available and would like to help. Thank you.

December Vespers Cancelled

Considering everybody's busy holiday schedules (including the "Vesperator's") we've decided to skip this month. We'll start the New Year on the 4th Wednesday in January. Look for details soon. Al Acker

Special Congregational Meeting

There will be a special congregational meeting on Sunday, **12/13/15**, at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary, to vote on a slate to fill a Settled Minister Search Committee. An update to the budget will be presented at the meeting as well as the roll-out of the 2016 Strategic Plan. No vote is required on either the budget or the plan.

Membership Book Signing

The next Membership Book signing will be Sunday, **December 13th**, at the end of the Service, for all new and returning members of First UU. Becoming a member of First UU involves 3 actions; (1.) Signing the Membership Book, (2.) Making a financial pledge to the Church and/or (3.) Making a contribution of record. Please let Regina Weiss know if you are interested in becoming a member.

Embracing Kwanzaa - Sun Dec 27

Please come out and invite others to join us for a very unique and special celebration. After the service, during social hour, there will be a table representing the fourth day of Kwanzaa: Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics). I am calling on all congregants to bring and share your personal business cards for distribution on this day. Many of us would certainly like to be able to support businesses of fellow church members and if you feel the same, here is an opportunity to do just that.

Do not bring the cards until Sunday, December 27 (50-100 cards).

Worship Coordinator - Anita Ruby Jones

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EMEAC's Winter Blast Fundraiser

Please consider contributing to EMEAC's "Winter Blast Fundraiser" to support building operations this winter. The fundraiser will run through **January 31**, 2016: 100 Days – \$100 Dollars – 100 Donors. All donations are tax deductible. Donate your \$100 online at www.emeac.org or send donations to EMEAC, 4605 Cass Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201

100-4-100

The Membership Committee has made goal of 100 members, as we enter our 100th anniversary at this wonderful facility. Please reach out to old friends to rejoin us. Encourage new friends to join us.

Sunday Sermons and Activities

Intro to First UU

Learn how to become a member of First Church **TODAY** by attending the Intro to First UU session Sunday, in the Church House

12/13 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Human Rights Day and Race in America"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

On the Sunday after the celebration of Human Rights Day, we think about what constitutes human rights and how the persistent terror of racism in America violates these tenets today

12/20 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "The Dark Side and the Light: A Meditation on Morality in Star Wars"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Since the 1970's, the phenomenon of Star Wars has shaped our cultural reality on a societal and individual level. As someone who was part of the generation which grew up wielding light sabers, I am fascinated by how the duality of the Force, its Dark Side and the Light, has affected our moral imagination.

Sing along: Stand Up Now and Clap
Anita “Ruby” Jones

Stand up now and clap (3X), Clap along! Clap along!

Dark and wintry days, (3X) growing long, growing long!

We can bring the light (3X) with our song, with our song!

Everybody clap (3X), Clap along! Clap along!