First Unitarian-Universalist Church
February 2, 2014
Lessons from the Ancestors
Rev. Roger Mohr

Today we welcome guest musician, Suet Yee "Shirley" Lam!

First Unitarian-Universalist Church
Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Gwen Foss, Cantor

Today's Ushers:
John Angry
Ed Collins
Felice Rizzo
Ruth Seifert

Today's Greeters:
Trey Greene
Colleen Dolan-Greene

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.

* indicates times to stand in body or spirit

Today’s Music

Prelude: This is the Day that the Lord Has Made
Efter Vulpius 1609 / Jesper Maden

Musical Meditation: Allegretto from Sonata for Harpsichord #2
Alan Hovaness

Offertory: Finlandia (Excerpt) op. 26
Jean Sibelius

The piece was composed for the Press Celebrations of 1899, a covert protest against increasing censorship from the Russian Empire. In order to avoid Russian censorship, Finlandia had to be performed under alternate names such as “Happy Feelings at the awakening of Finnish Spring” and “A Scandinavian Choral March”. Towards the end, a calm comes over the orchestra, and the serenely melodic Finlandia Hymn is heard. Often incorrectly cited as a traditional folk melody, the Hymn section is of Sibelius’s own creation.

Recessional: Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky #301
Grace Lewis-McLaren

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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 – Dan Wiest, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #96 I Cannot Think of Them as Dead

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #611 Brahman
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #128 For All That is My Life
Recessional

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

Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness
Love Courageously
**We Shall Overcome #169**
African American Spiritual

1 We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!

2 We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we'll walk hand in hand someday!

3 We shall all be free, we shall all be free, we shall all be free someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall all be free someday!

4 We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall live in peace someday!

**If I Had a Hammer**
Words & music by Lee Hays and Pete Seeger (1919-2014)

1. If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning, I'd hammer in the evening, all over this land; I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out a warning, I'd hammer out love between my brothers and my sisters, All ------ over this land.

2. If I had a bell, I'd ring it in the morning, I'd ring it in the evening, all over this land; I'd ring-- out danger, I'd ring--out a warning, I'd ring-- out love between my brothers and my sisters, All ------ over this land.

3. If I had a song, I'd sing it in the morning, I'd sing it in the evening, all over this land; I'd sing-- out danger, I'd sing--out a warning, I'd sing-- out love between my brothers and my sisters, All ------ over this land.

4. Well, I got a hammer, and I've got a bell---, And I've--- got a song, all over this land; It's the hammer of justice, It's the bell of freedom, It's the song about love between my brothers and my sisters, All ------ over this land.

**Now Let Us Sing #368**
words & music anonymous

**HIGHER VOICES**

1 Sing to the power of the faith within. Sing to the power of the faith within. Lift up your voice, be not afraid; sing to the power of the faith within.

2 Sing to the power of the hope within ...

3 Sing to the power of the love within. ...

4 Sing to the power of the joy within.

**LOWER VOICES**

1. Now let us sing, sing, sing, sing. Now let us sing, sing sing sing. Lift up your voice, be not afraid; Now let us sing to the power of the faith within.

2. Now let us sing to the power of the hope within.

3. Now let us sing to the power of the love within.

4. Now let us sing to the power of the joy within.

**Reading:** #611 **Brahman**
I am the Self that dwells in the heart of every mortal creature: I am the beginning, the life span, and the end of all. __I am the radiant sun among the light-givers:__

___I am the mind:__

___I am consciousness in the living. __I am death that snatches all; I, also, am the source of all that shall be born. __I am time without end:__

___I am the sustainer: my face is everywhere. __I am the beginning, the middle, and the end in creation: I am the knowledge of things spiritual. __I am glory, prosperity, beautiful speech, memory, intelligence, steadfastness, and forgiveness. __I am the divine seed of all lives. In this world nothing animate or inanimate exists without me. __I am the strength of the strong;__

___I am the purity of the good. __I am the knowledge of the knower. There is no limit to my divine manifestations. __Whatever in this world is powerful, beautiful, or glorious, that you may know to have come forth from a fraction of my power and glory.__

~Bhagavad-Gita
Announcements and Events – February 2, 2014

**Sunday Morning Coffee Hour**
All are welcome to join us after the service in the Social Hall for Social Hour. Please remember that your donations to Social Hour make our hospitality possible.

**Vespers Wednesday**
Vespers runs from 6:00 - 7:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

**Milestones**
If you have a milestone (joy or sorrow) to share, please write the message on one of the index cards which you can find in the back of the pew in front of you, and place the card in the offering basket during the collection. If you are a visitor and did not get a chance to fill out one of our visitor forms on the way in, please write your name and contact information on one of these index cards and place it in the offering basket. Milestones and visitor names will be passed to the minister for sharing with the congregation as part of our closing circle.

**Mark your calendars and support your choir...**
On Sunday March 9th at 3 pm, our church will host "Renew Reunite and Rejoice" a choir festival with 10 UU choirs and about 150 voices from southeastern Michigan and Ontario. Based on the previous festivals, we expect to fill the entire Sanctuary—including the balcony!

As the host choir, we need volunteers to assist us in welcoming our guests. We need people to supervise the WSU parking lot across Forest, to set up, host and clean up a rehearsal lunch on Saturday and similar duties during the afterglow on Sunday. We need greeters, ushers and people to set up and tear down the stage. We would also like donations of paper goods and utensils for the rehearsal lunch. Dan Secrest and Sally Borden will have signup sheets during coffee hour. You can also volunteer via email at choirfest@1stUU.org or call Dan Secrest at 580-7082. This a major undertaking and a chance to showcase how much we love our UU church in Detroit. We know you'll all come through for us...and our guests.

**Upcoming Changes for Social Hour**
In order to economize and have continuity, we will be asking church members and friends to bring items for "coffee hour" all Sundays except Potluck Sundays. This will be in addition to the items our kitchen helper, Kevin, will be buying. We will be asking each person to bring items once or twice a year, so that no one has to do too much. So when you get a call to bring cookies, cheese & crackers, and/or veggies, please step up if you can.

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Church-Related Activities

2/2 12:30ish Intro. to UU-ism and First UU for new or "old" congregants.

2/5 12:30 - 2 p.m. Sign up for WSU Public Safety Tour: http://events.wayne.edu/2014/02/05/wayne-state-insiders-visit-police-hq-50798/ 
7:00 p.m. Singing Circle for enjoyment, not rehearsal.

2/9 New Members Sunday 
11:00 a.m. Sermon, “1st UU and Civil Rights” Our members reflect on their roles in the Civil Rights Movement and how it affected their lives. Sally Borden, Ivan Louis Cotman, Sharon Mills, and Kathleen Jacobs-Johnson. 
12:30ish Potluck

2/12 6:00 p.m. Vespers Service "A Small Celebration of Love". Part of our mission is "to Love Courageously" Most of this is a reprise of a service I did 3 years ago with some added poetry, and Danny Rebb's selection from Keillor. Join us the parlor. We'll try to end a little early so those who want to attend the concert at the Main Detroit Public Library will be able to do both.
7:00 p.m. Singing Circle--everyone welcome to join in 
7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

2/16 11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Love and Justice” by Katherine (Maurer) Clover. On this post-Valentine’s Day Sunday, we will be celebrating Love, but a Love re-imagined. Dubbed “Sharing the Love Sunday”, we will look at the necessity of love in social justice as Standing on the Side of Love campaign concludes their Thirty Days of Love spiritual journey.

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