First Unitarian-Universalist Church
March 4, 2018
“Holi”
Reverend Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

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* #131 Love Will Guide Us #361 Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

WELCOME Worship Leader, Sally Borden

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling to Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #178 Raghupati*

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Response #123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #305 Des Colores
Recessional

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

Today’s Music

Prelude: True Colors
Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly

Musical Meditation: Daya Kar Daan Bhakti Ka
Traditional Indian melody/ arr. Sanjeev Ramabhadran

Offertory: Jai Jo from the movie “Slumdog Millionaire”
Music by A. R. Rahman

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

First Unitarian-Universalist Church
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Nancy Shattuck, Office Administrator
Omar Davis, Social Hour Coordinator
Julia Cuneo, Child Care Provider

Today’s Greeters: Maysel Brooks Dan Hale

Hearing Assistance devices and Large Print Hymnals are available from any of our Greeters.

Please visit us at www.1stuu.org; email the church secretary, Nancy, at officeadmin@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.
FLOWER DONATIONS: Today’s flowers are donated in honor of the 1st UU Choir.

COFFEE HOUR: Please join us today for coffee, cookies, and conversation in the Social Hall. We’d like to meet you.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: There will be a “Visitors’ Table” and a “Sermon Discussion Table” every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. The “Visitors’ Table” welcomes anyone who would like to know more about our church and our congregation. Please stop by. We’d like to get to know you better!

SAVE THE DATE! Former UU Detroiter Julie Brock will be ordained in our sanctuary on Sunday, April 22 at 3:30PM, followed by a catered reception.

WWW – WOMEN WALKING WOODWARD FOR PEACE 2018: On Mother’s Day, May 13, 2018, the WWWP will gather at 1st UU Church/Cass Corridor Commons, at 8:00AM, to walk for peace in 2018. The march will proceed south to Grand Circus Park and will return to 1st UU (a three-mile loop), by 11:00AM. The Church will provide the signs and banners. Immediately following the walk, you are invited to attend a special service and potluck at 1st UU Church.

Sunday Sermons and Events

TODAY, 3/4 11:00AM – Holi
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
Holi is an ancient Hindu religious festival, known as the festival of colors or the festival of love. Holi is said to signify the victory of good over evil, and the arrival of spring. Today, we will explore this ancient holiday celebrated around the world.

3/11 11:00AM – Remembering Viola Gregg Liuzzo
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
During this Women’s History Month, we remember one of our own, Viola Gregg Liuzzo (1925-1965), a member of this church who was the only white woman martyred during the Civil Rights Movement. This sermon will focus on her life and legacy.

3/18 11:00AM – On St. Patrick
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
On St. Patrick’s Day, we are used to wearing green, imbibing green-colored drinks, and celebrating all things Irish. But who was St. Patrick? Why do we continue to celebrate this fifth century missionary and bishop?

3/25 11:00AM - Our Heroines of Social Justice
Danny Rebb, Guest Speaker
During our Centennial celebration, we tapped into much of UU Detroit’s history. However, we have yet to look at the Unitarian and Universalist women who bolstered our church’s social justice programs as members of the First Congregational Unitarian Church of Detroit and The Church of Our Father, Universalist. Danny Rebb will share his research on the heroines who worked in prison reform, suffrage, child welfare, health care, education, peace, and temperance. These women not only served our church but held significant positions in the Detroit community, such as president of the Girls’ Protective League; Chairperson of the Reform Board, Detroit House of Corrections; Chairperson of the Child Welfare Committee of the Detroit League of Women’s Clubs; Director of the Protestant Children’s Home, and others.