First Unitarian-Universalist Church
March 17, 2013
“Deep Listening: Zen Buddhism and a Free and Responsible Search for Truth and Meaning”
Koho Vince Cousino Anila

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 – Kathe Stevens, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #183 The Winds of Change Forever Blown

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #197 There are Numerous Strings
Benediction*
Choir Benediction

All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation. (* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
**We Would Be One #318**
words by Samuel Anthony Wright, music by Jean Sibelius

1. We would be one as now we join in singing our hymn of love, to pledge ourselves anew to that high cause of greater understanding of who we are, and what in us is true. We would be one in living for each other to show to all a new community.

2. We would be one in building for tomorrow a nobler world than we have known today. We would be one in searching for that meaning which bends our hearts and points us on our way. As one, we pledge ourselves to greater service, with love and justice, strive to make us free.

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**Utopia**
Alanis Morissette

1. We’d gather around, all in a room. Fasten our belts, engage in dialogue.
2. We’d all slow down, rest without guilt. Not lie without fear, disagree—sans judgment.
   We would stay and respond and expand and include and allow
   And forgive and enjoy and evolve and discern
   And inquire and accept and admit and divulge
   And open and reach out and speak up. This is….

   **CHORUS** Utopia, this is my utopia.
   This is my ideal, my end in - sight.
   Utopia, this is my utopia.
   This is my nirvana, my ultimate.

3. We’d open our arms, we’d all jump in.
   We’d all coast down, into safety nets.
   We would share and listen and support and welcome, be propelled
   by passion, not invest in outcomes, we would breath
   and be charmed and amused by difference. be gentle
   and make room for ev’ry emotion. This is….

   **CHORUS**

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**Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield #162**
African American Spiritual

1. Gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside, down by the riverside. Gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside, gonna study war no more.

   (Chorus) I ainn’t gonna study war no more, I aint gonna study war no more, ain’t gonna study war no more. I aint gonna study war no more, I ain’t gonna study war no more, ain’t gonna study war no more.

2. Gonna lay down my burden, down by the riverside, down by the riverside. Gonna lay down my burden, down by the riverside, gonna study war no more.

   (Chorus)

3. Gonna shake hands around the world, ev’rywhere I roam, ev’rywhere I roam. Gonna shake hands around the world, ev’rywhere I roam, gonna study war no more.

   (Chorus)
**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.

**97th Birthday Celebration: Fundraiser to Benefit the Preservation of our Skinner Organ**
A concert of organ, flute and vocals will be given on April 6, 2013 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., featuring Grampa Jenkins from SideBar Black Art Theatre of Detroit. Wine, cheese and food will be available for purchase, and a silent auction will be held. For more information, please track down one of the Organ Fundraising Committee members: Todd Ballou, Gwen Foss, Sydney Schaaf, Eric Cortright, Kathe Stevens, Aletha Oberdier or Kimberly Kleinhans.

**A Call to Action – Social Justice Team Meeting**
The Social Justice Team will be meeting in Memorial Hall on **Sunday, March 24, at 12:30 pm**. The challenges confronting our community and our region are daunting. It is critical that we all seek solutions together. Some issues considered for action in the next months are reproductive rights, racism, assault rifle ban, and voter rights. Now is the time! Weigh in! Let your voice be heard! Join the Social Justice Team on Sunday, March 24! All are welcome! All are needed!

**Springfed Writers & Music Series - Thursday, March 28, 7pm**

**Acknowledgements**
If you have a milestone or visitor to introduce, please write the message and put it in the “visitor-milestone box” in the narthex (foyer at back of church) or give it to any usher to deliver for you.
Church-Related Activities

3/17  12:30pm – Monthly Young Adults Meeting
2 pm DIA Happy People: A Year in the Taiga. 300 Siberians live as they have for centuries. $6 or $7.

3/20  Wed. 7 p.m. Singing Circle--Gwen Foss and other fans of the relaxing effect of singing together
7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

3/21  Thur. 5:30 p.m. Detroit Soup $5 for dinner and a chance to vote for the start-up which will win the pot. On Grand Blvd. near Russell.

3/24  11:00a.m. Sermon, “Democracy, God, and Pascal’s Wager” Dan Secrest, Belief in God works, although God is open to a wide variety of interpretations. Likewise, democracy requires faith to perform its magic. So argues Dan Secrest, a member of our congregation and degreed economist. Mr. Secrest also holds a Master's Degree, in Science!
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