

Today's Music

Prelude: *The Lady is a Tramp* from "Babes in Arms"

words by Lorenz Hart, music by Richard Rodgers

I don't like crap games with Barons and Earls

Won't go to Harlem in ermine and pearls

Won't dish the dirt with the rest of the girls

That's why the lady is a tramp.

Chalice Lighting Song: *We Light the Flame*

words by David Andrew usher, music by David Dawson

Musical Interlude: *Black Coffee*

words & music by Paul Francis Webster and Sonny Burke

Musical Meditation: *That's Life*

words and music by Dean Kay and Kelly Gordon

I've been a puppet, a pauper, a pirate, a poet, a pawn and a king,

I've been up and down and over and out and I know one thing;

Each time I find myself flat on my face,

I pick myself up and get back in the race. That's Life.

Offertory: *Harlem Nocturne*

Earle Hagen

Recessional: *A Natural Woman*

words and music by Gerry Goffin, Carole King, and Jerry Wexler



Flowers are donated by Al Acker for Lencha's birthday!

Today's Ushers: John Angry Carolyn Ludwig

Ed Collins Danny Rebb

Today's Greeters: Sally Borden Marilyn Mitchell

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.

First Unitarian-Universalist

Church

March 23, 2014

The Feminist in Me

Nancy Owen Nelson

and Friends

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 – Sharon Mills, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #51 *Lady of the Season's Laughter*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #109 *As We Come Marching, Marching*

Recessional

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

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

When Our Heart is in a Holy Place #1008

words & music by Joyce Poley

Chorus:

When our heart is in, a holy place,
When our heart is in a holy place
We are blessed with love, and amazing grace,
when our heart is in a holy place.

1. When we trust the wisdom in each of us,
Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other's eyes
Then our heart is in a holy place. *Chorus*

2. When we tell our story from deep inside,
And we listen with a loving mind,
And we hear our voices in each other's words,
Then our heart is in a holy place. *Chorus*

3. When we share the silence of sacred space,
And the God of our heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other's faith,
Then our heart is in a holy place. *Chorus*

I Can See Clearly Now

words & music by Johnny Nash

1. I can see clearly now, the rain is gone.
I can see all obstacles in my way.
Gone are the dark clouds that had me down
It's gonna be a bright, bright sun-shiney day.

2. Oh, yes I can make it now, the pain is gone.
All of the bad feelings have disappeared
Here is that rainbow I've been praying for
It's gonna be a bright, bright sun-shiney day

Look all around, there's nothing but blue sky.
Look straight ahead, there's nothing but blue sky
(Ahh--)

3. I can see clearly now, the rain is gone.
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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, down by the riverside. Gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside, gonna study war no more.

(Chorus) I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more, ain't gonna study war no more. I ain't 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, 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, ev'rywhere I roam. Gonna shake hands around the world, ev'rywhere I roam, gonna study war no more. (Chorus)

Announcements and Events – March 23, 2014

Brother of All World Premiere Fundraiser

Margaret Beck has tickets to the world premiere of *Brother of All* at the Detroit Repertory Theatre on Sunday, March 30th at 2 p.m. The play is about two brothers and a Cherokee who are suspects in a mysterious death. Tickets are \$15 each with \$5 going to our church budget. Detroit Rep is located at 13103 Woodrow Wilson in Detroit. The play is very enjoyable and we will be going to the Traffic Jam after for dinner. Hope you can join us for a great day. Please call or email Margaret at 313 882 7775 or margretbeck@comcast.net. She will also have tickets during coffee hours. Thanks for your help with this fundraiser.

Ongoing Food Drive

First UU Detroit will be collecting nonperishable food items to support Cass Community United Methodist's food program. Staple items including flour, sugar, noodles, rice, and canned vegetables are most needed. Please no soups. Items will be collected during coffee hour. See Beth Bailey with questions.

Introduction to Unitarian-Universalism at First UU

If you feel that the First Church of Detroit is a comfortable church fit, but you still have questions, please join us for the Introduction to Unitarian-Universalism at First UU session on April 6, 2014, at 12:30 pm, in Memorial Hall. We will share the proud history of the Church, the philosophy of the Unitarian-Universalism and your responsibilities as a member.

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Vespers Wednesday

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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.

Canvass Meetings

The 2014-2015 annual donation drive to the church is half-way completed. Church members and friends are expected to attend only one of the four meetings.

At the canvass meetings we will be discussing:

- The financial realities of the our church,
- The programs and activities we would like to accomplish in the next fiscal year and
- Answer any questions that you may have

Our last two canvass meetings will be held on:

Saturday, March 29th, from 5-7 pm, Marilyn and Jerry

Mitchell's home

Tuesday, April 8th, from 6-8 pm, at Sharlene Gage's home.

Please pick a canvass meeting, RSVP, attend, participate and decide your most comfortable level of giving for the next year. Your hosts and hostesses would appreciate that you RSVP, and not just "drop in."

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Documentary about two commercial beekeepers trying to keep their bees healthy. Host--Keep Growing Detroit . Free admission, free parking; free popcorn. At MSU Center, 3408 Woodward (next to Bonstelle Theatre).
- 3/26 Wed., 7:00 p.m.** Singing Circle--open to all who enjoy music.
- 3/29 Sat., 10:00 am - 6:00 p.m.** Annual Bike City at Cobo Hall. Fee. www.detroitbikecity.org
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Canvass Meeting (see reverse)
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