

## Today's Music

**Prelude:** *Seasons of Love from the musical "Rent"*  
Music by Jonathon Larson

**Musical Meditation:** *Day by Day from the musical "Godspell"*  
Music by Stephen Schwartz

**Offertory:** *This is the Moment from the musical "Jekyll & Hyde"*  
Music by Frank Wildhorn

**Musical Benediction:** *T'Fillat Haderech "Traveler's Blessing"*  
music by Debbie Friedman

### First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Reverend Roger Mohr, Interim Minister  
Todd Ballou, Music Director  
Gwen Foss, Cantor

**Today's Flowers** have been donated in memory of Mary Dunn  
Dolan, Colleen's mom.

**Today's Ushers:** John Angry                      Ruth Seifert  
                                 Robert Neale                      Steven Young

**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 McCollester Hall after the service.

Please visit us at [www.1stuu.org](http://www.1stuu.org), email us at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org),  
or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

## *First Unitarian-Universalist Church*

**April 1, 2012**

*"Four Billion Years of Evolution:  
Now What?"*

*Rev. Roger Mohr*



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness  
Love Courageously*

**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 – Sean McAde, Trustee of the Week

#### CENTERING

Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\* #304 *A Fierce Unrest*

#### DEEPENING

Silence and Prayer  
Musical Meditation  
Message

#### RETURNING

Offering  
Closing Hymn\* *It's a Long Way from Amphioxus (see insert)*  
Benediction\*  
Recessional

*Congregation may exit to McCollester Hall for coffee, cookies, and  
conversation*

(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

### **Woyaya #1020**

words & music by Loughty Amoa, Solomon Amarfio, Robert Bailey, Roy Bedeau, Francis Osei, Whendell Richardson, and Mac Tontoh

1. We are going, heaven knows where we are going  
but we know within.  
We will get there, heaven knows how we will get there,  
but we know we will.

It will be hard, we know,  
and the road will be muddy and rough,  
but we'll get there, heaven knows how we will get there,  
but we know we will  
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### **Comfort Me #1002**

Words and music by Mimi Bornstein-Doble

1. Comfort me, comfort me  
    Comfort me, oh my soul. (repeat)
2. Sing with me.....
3. Stand with me....

### **If Every Woman in the World #1026**

words & music by Karen MacKay and Nancy Nordlie

1. If ev'ry woman in the world had her mind set on freedom,  
if ev'ry woman in the world dreamed a sweet dream of peace,  
if ev'ry woman of ev'ry nation, young and old, each generation,  
held her hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.
2. If ev'ry man in the world had his mind set on freedom,  
if ev'ry brother stood for brother as a witness for peace,  
if ev'ry man of ev'ry nation, young and old, each generation,  
held his hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.
3. If ev'ry leader in the world shared a vision of freedom,  
if ev'ry leader in the world shared a sweet dream of peace,  
if ev'ry leader of ev'ry nation, worked for justice and liberation,  
holding hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.

4. If ev'ry nation in the world set a true course for freedom,  
if ev'ry nation raised its children in a culture of peace,  
if all our sons and all our daughters reached in friendship across the waters,  
re--fusing to be enemies, there would be no more war.

### **It's A Long Way From Amphioxus\***

Music by Jack Judge and Harry Williams "It's a Long Way from Tipperary"  
Source of the words is unknown

1. Oh, a fish-like thing appeared among the annelids one day,  
It hadn't any parapods or setae to display.  
It hadn't any eyes or jaws or ventral nervous chord.  
But it had a lot of gill slits and it had a notochord.

### **Chorus:**

**It's a long way from amphioxus\*, it's a long way to us.  
It's a long way from amphioxus\* to the meanest human cuss.  
It's "good-bye" to fins and gill slits, and welcome lungs and hair.  
It's a long, long way from amphioxus\*, but we all came from there.**

2. It wan't much to look at and it scarce knew how to swim.  
And Nories was very sure it hadn't come from him.  
The Mollusks wouldn't own it and the Arthropods got sore.  
So the poor thing had to burrow in the sand along the shore. **Chorus**
3. He burrowed in the sand before a crab could nip his tail.  
And he said, "Gill slits and myotomes are all to no avail."  
"I've grown some metapleural folds and sport an oral hood.  
But all these fine new characters don't do me any good." **Chorus**
4. He sulked awhile down in the sand, without a bit of pep;  
Then he stiffened up his notochord and said, "I'll beat 'em yet!"  
"Let them laugh and show their ignorance, I don't mind their jeers."  
"Just wait until they see me in a hundred million years." **Chorus**
5. "My notochord shall change into a chain of vertebra,  
And, as fins, my metapleural folds will agitate the sea."  
"My tiny dorsal nervous chord shall be a mighty brain.  
And the vertebrates shall dominate the animal domain." **Chorus**

*\* Amphioxus is an ancient cephalopod that was believed to be on the main line of vertebrate evolution when these words were written around 1920. Amphioxus is known today as "brachiostoma", and our true ancestors are now believed to be sea squirts instead of cephalopods.*

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More information will be available soon, but to vote, you have to have been a member in good standing for 60 days prior to the vote (which means you have signed the membership book and made a pledge of record in the last year.)

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#### Donations

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