First Unitarian-Universalist Church
April 3, 2016
“On Stewardship”
Rev. 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 #146 Soon the Day
The Seven UU Principles (see insert)
#116 I’m on My Way

WELCOME Sherry A Wells, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #301 Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky

DEEPENING
Invocation
Silent Meditation
Musical Meditation
Responsive Reading
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #354 We Laugh, We Cry
Benediction

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Today’s Music
Our guest musician today is Hannah Waterstone.

Prelude: Music of the Night from Phantom of the Opera
Andrew Lloyd Webber

Musical Meditation: Beauty and the Beast from Beauty and the Beast
Alan Menken

Offertory: You’ll Never Walk Alone from Carousel
Richard Rodgers

Recessional: My Favorite Things from the Sound of Music
Richard Rodgers

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First Unitarian-Universalist Church
Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator
Alyssa Bond, Social Hour Coordinator

Today’s Ushers: Bill McKnight Edie McKnight
Today’s Greeters: Emma Velasquez Dave Vaillencourt

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

Large Print Hymnals are available from the Greeters.

Please visit us at www.1stuu.org; email the church secretary, Alexis, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.
Announcements and Events – April 3, 2016

2016-17 Canvass
Today is Stewardship Sunday. If you have not already done so, please consider turning your pledge form in today for the 2016-17 fiscal year which will begin July 1, 2016. See Marsha Bruhn or Marilyn Mitchell following the service. They would like to thank the following members for their assistance during the pledge drive: Lencha Acker, Joan Smykowski, Margaret Beck, Sally Borden, Linda Darga, Matt Friedrichs, Sharlene Gage, Anita Jones, Carolyn Ludwig, Mary Lou Malone, Edie McKnight, Nancy Owen Nelson, Aletha Oberdier, Dave Vaillencourt, Regina Weiss, and Jody Wise.

Settled Minister Search
Do you have questions about our search for a settled minister? Rev. Barbara Child, the Ministerial Settlement Representative for the MidAmerica Region, will be presenting information and answering questions about our settled minister search process after the worship service on Sunday, April 10, at 12:30 PM in the sanctuary. That’s our Potluck Sunday, so bring your best dishes and be prepared for an informative meeting!

Membership Book Signing -04/10/16, After the Service
Becoming a member of the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit, involves 2 steps: (1.) Signing the Membership Book, (2.) Making a financial pledge and/or (3.) Making a contribution of record to the Church. Please let Regina Weiss, if you are interested in becoming a member. The forms to becoming a member can be found at http://www.1stuu.org/Membership/membership.php

Women Walking Woodward for Peace" 
Join us again on Mother’s Day, May 8, 2016 @ First UU Detroit Church/Cass Corridor Commons, 4605 Cass at Forest, at 7:30 AM. We will walk to Grand Circus Park and gather on the East side surrounding the bronze statue redbubed "Ikwe Michigamma" (Woman of the Great Waters). We will offer prayers, songs and intentions to bring justice, compassion, equity and peace into the affairs of our social, political, economic and spiritual institutions. We will return to First UU for a special Mother's Day service at 11:00 AM.

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One-On-One-05/08/16, 12:30 pm
It’s something new at First UU. It’s fast! It’s fun! It’s sort of like speed dating. It’s an opportunity to learn more about each other. More information to follow.

Centennial Celebration
Our centennial weekend is only 2 weeks away. We will be giving bus and bike tours of Unitarian and Universalist historic sites in Detroit on Saturday, April 16, from 2:00 to 5:00pm. Then, from 5:30 to 8:00pm, we will gather for dinner together at the nearby Traffic Jam restaurant. The bus tour tickets are $20 each, the bike tour tickets are $10 each, and the dinner is $20 per person. Please see Dan Secrest in Coffee Hour to make your reservations, or sign up online at http://1stuu.org/history/Centennial.php.

On Sunday April 17, there will be an extended worship service, from 11:00 to 12:30, featuring reflections by four women who were ordained to the UU ministry in this church, in addition to a sermon by Reverend Murray about our history at this location. The culmination will be a celebratory potluck luncheon after church in our social hall.

Committee Fair 07/10/16, 12:30 pm-. Oh, we wish things happened at First UU with magic, but it takes everyone volunteering to make this a great church. Committee Chairs/Leaders/ Coordinators are encouraged to be part of our upcoming Committee Fair.

Chancel Flower Donations
Today’s flowers are given by Colleen Dolan-Greene, in loving memory of Mary Dunn Dolan (1919-1999)
Sing Along: The Seven UU Principles
words by Carol Benson Holst  (tune: Do Re Mi)

The syllables that are underlined will crunch together to fit the pre-existing melody.

ONE- Each person is important
TWO- Be kind in all you do
THREE- We’re free to learn together
FOUR- And search for what is true
FIVE- All people need a vote
SIX- Build a fair and peaceful world
SEVEN- We care for Earth’s lifeboat
That will bring us back to me and UU...(repeat)

Sunday Sermons and Events

4/10  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Competition or Community? Humanizing Schooling in Detroit and Beyond”
     Guest Speaker: Joel Berger, DPS teacher

4/17  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “A Century at Cass and Forest”
     Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
     We are celebrating the centennial of worshipping in our sanctuary at the corner of Cass and Forest. This extended 90 minute service will include speeches by all four of the women who were ordained to the Unitarian-Universalist ministry by this church, and a sermon by Dr. Murray about our history at this location.

4/24  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Prejudice and Difference”
     Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
     One of the ways that we often fail as individuals and as a society is by adhering to prejudices, some of which we are conscious of, and others that live insidiously deep. Today, we will talk about how we address those issues and how to confront the biases that we hold.