



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness
Love Courageously*

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

May 3, 2015

“The Meaning of Work”

Rev. Roger Mohr

**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* #348 *Guide My Feet*

#71 *In the Spring with Plow and Harrow (v.1-3)*

#116 *I'm On My Way*

Welcome – Dan Secrest, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #157 *Step by Step the Longest March*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #305 *De Colores*

Benediction

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

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Today's Music

Prelude: *Andaluza (Spanish Dance No. 5)*
Enrique Granados

Musical Meditation: *Prelude in E Minor op. 19 No. 1*
Felix Mendelssohn

Offertory: *Soaring from Fantastic Pieces op. 12*
Robert Schumann (1887)

Recessional: *Sonatina in A Minor*
Georg Frideric Handel

"De colores" ([Made] of Colors) is the unofficial anthem of the Farm Workers Movement, and is also used, with different lyrics, by the Roman Catholic Cursillo movement. "Cursillo" literally means "short course" and refers to a three-day event to help lay people become effective Christian leaders.

"Step by Step the Longest March" takes its lyrics from the preamble of the Constitution of the United Mine Workers of America.

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Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister

Todd Ballou, Music Director

Today's Ushers: Anita Jones Regina Hollingshead

Today's Greeters: Glenn Maxwell Kathe Stevens

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, Alexis, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

Reading: #567

“To Be of Use”

I want to be with people who submerge in the task,

*Who go into the fields to harvest and work in a row
and pass the bags along,*

Who stand in the line and haul in their places,

*Who are not parlor generals and field deserters but
move in a common rhythm when the food must
come in or the fire be put out.*

The work of the world is common as mud. Botched, it
smears the hands, crumbles to dust.

*But the thing worth doing well done has a shape
that satisfies, clean and evident.*

Greek amphoras for wine or oil, Hopi vases that held
corn, are put in museums but you know they were made
to be used.

*The pitcher cries for water to carry and a person for
work that is real.*

~Marge Piercy

Interactive Workshop

On Saturday, May 30th, there will be an interactive full-day workshop on class and classism at the Birmingham Unitarian Church. The workshop, U.U. Class Conversations, will explore the implications of class and classism, and the connection between racism and other forms of oppression. Lunch will be served. Child care is available. It is suggested we carpool when possible. This project is funded in part by the Fund for Unitarian Universalist Social Responsibility.

Time: 8:30 AM to 4:00PM. Suggested fee: \$20 (More if you can, less if you can't).

Registration deadline: May 23. Registration forms will be available during Coffee Hour. See Mary Lou Malone or Sharon Mills.

Women Walking Woodward for Peace - May 10 - 8:30am

Join us this Mother's Day. Taking our inspiration from Julia Ward Howe's Mother's Day proclamation, we will begin and end our walk at First UU, culminating in our 11:00am worship service. More information can be found on our Facebook page: Women Walking Woodward for Peace. Coordinator, Anita (Ruby) Jones

Child Care Volunteers Still Needed

We're looking for a few good people to help with our upcoming child care service that we hope to start very soon.

Volunteers will care for/play with young children during the church service in the newly renovated room at the back of the sanctuary. You do need to undergo a background check which we will do and fill out a short application.

We have some volunteers but would like two or three more so we can take turns with the child care. Please see Richard Hillier or Sally Borden after the service.

Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Mary Lou Malone, in the celebration of her birthday dinner.

Announcements and Events – May 3, 2015

Annual Congregational Meeting, May 17. The Annual Congregational meeting will be held in the Sanctuary following the service on May 17. The agenda will include proposed amendments to the by-laws; adoption of the 2015-16 budget; and election of members to the Board of Trustees, General Assembly, and Nominating Committee.

DATE CHANGE: UU Regional Picnic & Spring Gathering!

Our second annual Regional Picnic gathering will take place on Saturday, **June 6th**, 2015 from 10am - 3pm at **Shelter 9** on Belle Isle. Volunteer activity in the morning, and a potluck & BBQ picnic and games to follow. UU Congregations from throughout Southeast Michigan are welcome to attend! The planning committee is seeking volunteers to assist with setup/break-down, cooking, and activities (contact Aletha Oberdier, 248-872-3837 or alethafaye@gmail.com) and donations of food & condiments (contact Beth Bailey, 313-244-4796 elizabethbailey88@gmail.com)

Continuation of Essay Discussions

Please join us on Sunday, May 31, at 12:30 pm, when the Welcoming Task Force will present a continuation of our discussion of essays from *Dangerous Liaisons: Blacks, Gays, and the Struggle for Equality*: “Some Queer Notions about Race” by Samuel R. Delaney (pages 259-289) and Cornel West on “Heterosexism and Transformation: An Interview” (pages 290-305). The discussion will be at the church; room TBD. Please advise if you need a copy of the essays.

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Intro to First UU: Sunday, May 3rd, 12:30pm, Memorial Hall

All guests and those interested in learning more about first Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit are invited to attend following coffee hour.

Thank you!

John Angry was taken to Henry Ford Hospital last Sunday afternoon. He was diagnosed with a bladder infection and sent home on Monday with antibiotics. A big thank you to Dan Wiest, Glenn Maxwell, and Sally Borden, for helping John, and to John’s nephew, Atiba Seit, for his concern. We're glad to have John back in church!

Before you Head Down to Motor City Pride on June 7:

(<http://www.motorcitypride.org/>) join us to hear Prof. Peter Hammer, Professor of Law and the Director of the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights at Wayne State University Law School, present "Behind the Times: The Struggle for LBGTQ Equality in Michigan." Prof. Hammer's presentation on the current state of LBGTQ equality in Michigan will be followed by Q&A.

You may read an article Prof. Hammer wrote about the state of LBGTQ rights in our state: <http://jurist.org/forum/2014/12/peter-hammer-michigan-marriage.php>

The presentation and Q&A will take place at 12:30 in the Sanctuary. Light refreshments will be served.

Activities In and Outside the Church

- 5/10 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Radical Mothering.” Join us on this Mother’s Day with 5 voices from the community.
- 5/17 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Diving Into the Future.” This is Rev. Mohr’s last Sunday in the pulpit with First Church. Let’s take a moment to celebrate the possibilities of new beginning, new cultivations, and new possibilities.