First Unitarian-Universalist Church
June 8, 2014
Affirming Same Sex Marriage for Over Forty Years
Reverend Roger Mohr

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* #170 We Are a Gentle, Angry People
Musical Interlude Gwen Foss, 1st UU Cantor

DEEPPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #662 Strange and Foolish Walls
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #144 Now is the Time Approaching
Recessional

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

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
This Little Light of Mine #118
African American Spiritual

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Come and Go with Me #1018
African American Spiritual, slavery period/ arr. Kenny Smith

1. Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound. Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound.

2. There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land where I'm bound.

3. There'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land where I'm bound.

4. There'll be singin’ in that land, There'll be singin’ in that land, There'll be singin’ in that land where I’m bound.

Now Let Us Sing #368
words & music anonymous

HIGHER VOICES
1. Sing to the power of the faith within. Sing to the power of the faith within. Lift up your voice, be not afraid; sing to the power of the faith within.

2. Sing to the power of the hope within ...

3. Sing to the power of the love within. ...

4. Sing to the power of the joy within. ...

LOWER VOICES

2. Now let us sing to the power of the hope within.

3. Now let us sing to the power of the love within.

4. Now let us sing to the power of the joy within.

Reading: #662 Strange and Foolish Walls

The years of all of us are short, our lives precarious. Our days and nights go hurrying on and there is scarcely time to do the little that we might.

Yet we find time for bitterness, for petty treason and evasion. What can we do to stretch our hearts enough to lose their liteness?

Here we are—all of us—all upon this planet, bound together in a common destiny, Living our lives between the briefness of the daylight and the dark.

Kindred in this, each lighted by the same precarious, flickering flame of life, how does it happen that we are not kindred in all things else? How strange and foolish are these walls of separation that divide us!

~ A. Powell Davies
Milestones
If you have a milestone (joy or sorrow) to share, please write the message on an index card 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.

Young Adults Get Crafty! TODAY at 1:00pm
All UU Young Adults are invited to join us to meet and learn to crochet! All materials will be provided; please consider bringing a small monetary contribution to reimburse our hostess for her supplies. The event will be held at a private home in New Center area; contact Beth Bailey for the address; elizabethbailey88@gmail.com.

Detroit Repertory Theatre Fundraiser
Margaret Beck has 11 tickets and can purchase more if needed to the Detroit Rep play, Endangered Species; it is a comedy. We will be going to the Saturday, June 21st matinee at 3 p.m. After, we will be going to the Shangrila Restaurant. Tickets are $15 with $5 going to the church budget. This a big savings as at the door tickets are $20. Please call or email Margaret Beck about purchasing a ticket. She will also have them at coffee hour. Thanks ahead of time for taking part in the fundraiser. Margaret Beck 313 882 7775 margretbeck@comcast.net

Getting Involved Session
Be Part of a Church Committee or Activity June 22, 2014 at 12:30 pm
Attending the worship service on Sunday is a very special experience, but most members and friends find that, over time, it is not enough to sustain their commitment to the church. We encourage members and friends to attend the next Getting Involved session to learn about our various groups, committees and activities. Our next Getting Involved session will be June 22, 2014, at 12:30 pm, in the mansion/Memorial Hall. We hope you’ll become involved!
Announcements and Events – June 8, 2014

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.

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.

Church-Related Activities

6/8
New Members Sunday
11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Affirming Same Sex Marriage for Over Forty Years.” Same sex marriage is a current issue in politics, but UUs have had an increasingly general consensus about the issue for decades.
12:30ish Potluck
1:00 p.m. Young Adults meet to learn to crochet. See reverse.

6/11
Wed., 6:00 p.m Monthly Vespers This time, Al Acker is presenting the poetry of a UU favorite, Mary Oliver with a tribute to Maya Angelou and music again from King's Singers. The parlor still has room for more.
7:00 p.m. Singing Circle.
7:00 p.m Board Meeting

6/15
FATHER’S DAY Bring him with you
11:00 a.m. Sermon, “The Creative Cosmos.” The universe is in the process of continuous becoming, an ongoing creation in which we are active collaborators.

6/21
Detroit Repertory Theater and fundraiser. See reverse.

6/22
11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Juneteenth: Civil Rights Celebration.” Reflecting on the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Civil Rights Act into law, and the impact it has had on us.
12:30 p.m. Getting Involved. See reverse.