

Today's Music

Please welcome back our guest musician, Hannah Waterstone.

Prelude: *Music of the Night*
Andrew Lloyd Webber

Musical Meditation: *Drops on the Waterfall*
Hannah Waterstone

Offertory: *Summertime*
George Gershwin

Recessional: *Oh What a Beautiful Morning*
Richard Rodgers

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator
Alyssa Bond, Social Hour Coordinator

Today's Ushers: Emma Velasquez Regina Weiss
Today's Greeters: Chloe Lundine Joan Smykowski

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.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

July 31, 2016

"Again We Rise".

Rev. 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* #208 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*
#179 *Words That We Hold Tight*
Stand up Now & Clap (see insert)

WELCOME

Sharon Mills, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #119 *Once to Every Soul & Nation*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn* #318 *We Would be One*
Benediction

Congregation may exit to McCollester Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Sing along: Stand Up Now and Clap **Anita “Ruby” Jones**

Stand up now and clap (3X), Clap along! Clap along!

Sing a song with me (3X), Oh yeah, yeah! Oh yeah, yeah!

We can change the world (3X), With our song! With our song!

Everybody clap (3X), Clap along! Clap along!

Announcements and Events – July 31, 2016

Chancel Flower Donations

Today’s flowers are given by Bob Lauer.

Greeters/Ushers Needed

Volunteer ushers and greeters are encouraged to sign up for August and September. Please see Glenn Maxwell if you have any questions.

Introduction to First UU - 08/07/16, 12:30 pm

All friends and visitors are encouraged to attend, if you have any questions about the history or philosophy of Unitarian Universalism. We will be meeting in the church narthex.

Coffee Hour 8/7/16

EMEAC co-director Siwatu-Salama Ra is hosting a group in the Parlor from 1:00 - 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 7. The Parlor will be unavailable for UU Detroit use.

Membership Book Signing - 08/14/16, at the end of the service

If you are ready to make the commitment to join UU Detroit, please let Joan Smykowski know at joan.smykowski@gmail.com. Please bring your completed membership forms, which can be found at: <http://www.1stuu.org/Membership/membership.php>

Sunday Sermons and Events

- 8/7 **11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Race, Class and Justice in America.”
Speaker: Abayomi Azikiwe
Racial and class divisions are growing inside the United States despite the rhetoric of eight years ago that the country was becoming a post-racial society. Both the Republicans and Democrats have fostered these divisions through partisan rhetoric as well as the legacy of mass incarceration and financial deregulation. He will outline his thoughts on these issues and make some suggestions for actions to be taken on a community level.
- 8/14 **11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Ecumenism, Yesterday and Today.”
Speaker: Reverend Stephen Butler Murray
It is interesting that today, as individuals tend more toward quiet ecumenism rather than strict denominationalism, that the ecumenical movement itself is going through a considerable downsizing. In this sermon, I will talk about the history of how denominations decided to work together ecumenically through organizations such as the National Council of Churches, and how that intentional inter-denominational organization and activism has unraveled. In addition, I will speak about atheist views about participation in ecumenical and inter-religious dialogue.
- 8/21 **11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “The Gospel of Bruce.”
Speaker: Joel Batterman
The rise of Donald Trump has focused attention on America's white working classes: their fears, pains and aspirations. For nearly half a century, however, few public figures have given those feelings more eloquent voice than Bruce Springsteen, the Jersey-born poet-rocker who gained international fame in the twilight of postwar U.S. prosperity. What lessons does Springsteen's deeply humane vision hold for us today, as we stare down the twin threats of homegrown fascism and an intolerable status quo?