First Unitarian-Universalist Church
August 18, 2013
“Still I Rise”
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 – Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #40 The Morning Hangs a Signal
Musical Interlude: Gwen Foss, 1st UU Cantor

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #470 Affirmation
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #169 We Shall Overcome
Benediction*
Recessional

All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Today’s Flowers are given by Lencha and Al Acker in honor of Alena Acker’s birthday and to commemorate former church member T.C. Latham.

Today’s Ushers: John Angry Robert Neale
Bill McKnight Edie McKnight

Today’s Greeters: Marsha Bruhn 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, Tamara, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

**Today’s Music**
Today we welcome our guest musician, Neill Eisenstein!

Prelude: Neill Eisenstein
Chalice Song: Be Ye Lamps unto Yourselves #184 words attributed to Gautama Buddha, 5th century

Be ye lamps unto yourselves; be your own confidence; hold to the truth within yourselves as to the only lamp.

Musical Interlude: I Know I Can #1015 words by Dennis Hamilton music by Jeannie Gagne

Musical Meditation: Neill Eisenstein
Offertory: Neill Eisenstein
Recessional: Neill Eisenstein

Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness
Love Courageously

What a Wonderful World
George David Weiss and Bob Thiele

I see trees of green, red roses too,
I see them bloom for me and you,
and I think to myself “what a wonderful world.”

I see skies of blue and clouds of white,
the bright--- blessed day, the dark-- sacred night
and I think to myself “what a wonderful world.”

The colors of the rainbow, so pretty in the sky
are also on the faces of people goin’ by.
I see friends shakin’ hands, sayin’ “How do you do?”
They’re really sayin’ “I love you!”

I hear babies cry, I watch them grown
They’ll learn much more, than I’ll ever know
and I think to myself “what a wonderful world.”

Yes, I think to myself “what a wonderful world.”

Morning Has Come #1000
Music& words by Jason Shelton

1. Morning has come, arise and greet the day! Dance with joy
and sing a song of gladness! The light of hope here shines
upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

2. A new day dawns, once more the gift is giv’n. Wonder fills
this moment shared together. The light of peace here shines
upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

3. Open our eyes to see that life abounds; open hearts to
welcome it among us. The light of love here shines upon each
face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield #162
African American Spiritual

1 Gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside,
down by the riverside, down by the riverside. Gonna lay down
my sword and shield, down by the riverside, gonna study war no
more.

(Chorus) I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study
war no more, ain't gonna study war no more. I ain't gonna study
war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more, ain't gonna study
war no more.

2 Gonna lay down my burden, down by the riverside, down by the riverside. Gonna lay down my burden, down by the riverside, gonna study war no more. (Chorus)

3 Gonna shake hands around the world, ev'rywhere I roam, ev'rywhere I roam, ev'rywhere I roam. Gonna shake hands around the world, ev'rywhere I roam, gonna study war no more. (Chorus)

Reading: #470, Affirmation

We affirm the unfailing renewal of life.

___Rising from the earth, and reaching for the sun, all living creatures shall fulfill themselves.

We affirm the steady growth of human companionship.

___Rising from ancient cradles and reaching for the stars, people the world over shall seek the ways of understanding.

We affirm a continuing hope

___That out of every tragedy the spirits of individuals shall rise to build a better world.

Leonard Mason
Announcements and Events – August 18, 2013

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.

Vespers Wednesday
Vespers runs from 6:00 - 7:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

T.C. Latham Memorial Service
A memorial service for Tulloss Clayton "T.C." Latham will be held today, after service, in the 1st UU sanctuary.

Entertainment Books – Church Fundraiser
Margaret Beck has Entertainment books for sale! They are $25 with the church earning $5 for each book sold. We also get 2 free books worth $50 after she sells 15 books. There are many great values in the Entertainment book - restaurants, activities, stores, hotels, car rentals, etc. They make great gifts. Please call Margaret Beck at 313 882 7775.

Ready to Dally?
Dally in the Alley is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 7 (rain date Sept 8) and First UU will once again have a table to confirm our continuing presence in Midtown/Wayne State/Cass Corridor. Volunteers are sought to staff the information table and patrol the parking lot while collecting fees. Hours will be from 11-7. For those of you not familiar with the Dally, Arts and Apples it ain't. There's no better place to sit and watch the fauna go by in the midst of the closest thing Detroit has to Gomorrah (see it before it's all gone!) While some churches might try to save the souls of the heathen, we tend to celebrate our reunion with them. Please contact Dan Wiest for available slots.

Acknowledgements
If you have a milestone or visitor to introduce, please write the message and put it in the visitor-milestone box in the narthex (foyer at back of church) or place it in the plate during the collection of the offering. For your convenience, there are forms at the end of each pew which can be used for this purpose.
Church-Related Activities

8/18  **12:30 p.m.** – Young Adults gathering
Decline to Sign Campaign: to counter the attack on choice, read cards on each table, sign and tear off the attachment. Place in the brown envelopes to be collected by the Social Justice Reproductive Justice Team.
Petition to Amend: to prohibit the Michigan legislature from inserting a financial provision in a new law, thus preventing citizens from using referendums.

1:00 to 11 p.m. 31st Annual African World Festival, at Museum of African American Free* celebration of African culture. 150 vendors of imports, visual arts, hand crafts, apparel & accessories and foods. * Museum exhibitions are free with museum admission


8/21 **Wed. 7:00 p.m.** Worship Committee
7:00 p.m. Singing Half-circle around the piano; just for fun.

8/25  **11:00 a.m.** Sermon, “The Wisdom of Detroit.” Detroit has among the deepest and richest histories of any US city. What have we learned?
1:00-ish Mini-tour in my mini-van of community gardens near Midtown / Downtown. I'll drive, you be amazed. About an hour

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11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Maggie’s Farm” The Bob Dylan song (and excellent Rage Against the Machine cover) offers some useful insight into systems of exploitation and how to liberate ourselves.

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