First Unitarian-Universalist Church

October 6, 2013
“Mad Hatter Day”
Rev. 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* #354 We Laugh, We Cry

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #437 Let Us Worship
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn*A Smile is Quite a Funny Thing (see insert)
Benediction*
Recessional

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

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

Prelude: Run, Run from “Scenes from Childhood” (1932) Octavio Pinto

Musical Meditation: Tea for Two (1924) Vincent Youmans

Offertory: I Am a Promise (1975) Gloria and William Gaither

Recessional: I Just Feel Like Something Good is About to Happen (1974) William Gaither

First Unitarian-Universalist Church
Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Gwen Foss, Cantor

Today’s Ushers: John Angry Sally Borden
Felice Rizzo Ruth Seifert

Today’s Greeters: Sydney Schaaf Eric A Cortright
**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**

1. Now let us sing, sing, sing, sing.
   Now let us sing, sing, sing, sing.
   Lift up your voice, be not afraid;
   Now let us sing to the power of the faith within.

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.

**We’re Coming Home**

Carolyn McDade

**CHORUS**

We’re coming home to the spirit in our soul
We’re coming home and the healing makes us whole.
Like rivers running to the sea,
we’re coming home, we’re co—ming— home.

1. As the day is woven into night
   As the darkness lives within the light
   As we open vision to new sight
   We’re coming home, we’re co—ming— home. CHORUS

2. Bearing words born new unto each day
   speaking bold where only silence lay
   As we dare to rise and lead the way
   We’re coming home, we’re co—ming-- home. CHORUS

3. To create a world of joy and peace
   Where the power of justice does release
   Love abounding, wars forever cease
   We’re coming home, we’re co—ming-- home. CHORUS

**We’re Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table #407**

Traditional words & music

1. We’re gonna sit at the welcome table. We’re gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah! We’re gonna sit at the welcome table, gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

2. All kinds of people around that table. All kinds of people around that table one of these days, hallelujah! All kinds of people around that table, gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

3. No fancy style at the welcome table. No fancy style at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah! No fancy style at the welcome table, gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

**Closing Hymn: A Smile is Quite a Funny Thing**

*(Tune of Auld Lang Syne/Old Scotch Air)*

Source of Lyrics unknown

A smile is quite a funny thing, it wrinkles up your face
And when it’s gone you’ll never find, its secret hiding place
But far more wonderful it is, to see what smiles can do
You smile at one, he smiles at you. And so one smile makes two

He smiles at someone, since you smiled, And then that one
smiles back
And that one smiles until, in truth, you fail in keeping track
And since a smile can do great good, By cheering hearts of care
Let’s smile and smile and not forget,, that smiles go everywhere.
Reading: #437, "Let Us Worship"
Let us worship with our eyes and ears and fingertips;
__Let us love the world through heart and mind and body.

We feed our eyes upon the mystery and revelation in the faces of our brothers and sisters.
__We seek to know the wistfulness of the very young and the very old, the wistfulness of people in all times of life.

We seek to understand the shyness behind arrogance, the fear behind pride, the tenderness behind clumsy strength, the anguish behind cruelty.
__All life flows into a great common life, if we will only open our eyes to our companions.

Let us worship, not in bowing down, not with closed eyes and stopped ears.
__Let us worship with the opening of all the windows of our beings, with the full outstretching of our spirits.

Life comes with singing and laughter, with tears and confiding, with a rising wave too great to be held in the mind and heart and body, to those who have fallen in love with life.
__Let us worship, and let us learn to love.

~Kenneth L. Patton

Announcements and Events – October 6, 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.

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

10/6  12:30 p.m.  FUUD for thought--about whether you'd like to become a member of this congregation. Enticing reasons. Long-time members welcome, too--we're enjoying Rev. Mohr's insights into UU and 1st UU history.

10/9  Wed 6:00 p.m.  Vespers in the Parlor, hosted by Al Acker, will feature the poetry of renowned African-American Detroiters Robert Hayden and Dudley Randall and the work of retired U-U minister Linda Whittenberg. Sally Borden will read her selection from Garrison Keillor's book. With musical interludes...but you'll have to attend to find out what sort of music. The group is growing. We hope to see you, too, this time. It's a great way to spend a relaxing hour in the midst of your busy week.

   7:00 p.m.  Board Meeting. All welcome to observe the inner workings.

   7:00 p.m.  Singing circle then a bit of a bite at Traffic Jam afterwards if you wish.

10/10  Thu  Movie group. Contact Mary Lou Malone (313-8221795) to get on the email list or call to learn the movie choice, time and place that she and Rhonda Rodgers have chosen.

10/13  New Members Sunday

   11:00 a.m.  Sermon, “InterBeing: An Urban Eco-Spirituality”. How can we tie our concern with our relationship to the Earth to our relationships to one another, our community, and the Cosmos?

   12:30ish  "Young" Adults gather--are you one? You decide.

   Free Second Sundays at the DIA and African-American Museum--gather a few and check it out.

10/16  Wed 7 p.m.  Singing circle: no concerts, no criticism' simply singing for enjoyment and camaraderie.

   7 p.m.  Worship Committee Meeting. All welcome to this focused--and fun--group. (With co-leaders Robert Johnson and Kathleen Jacobs-Johnson, what else?!)

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