

Today's Music

Today we welcome back guest musician, Neill Eisenstein!

*First Unitarian-Universalist Church*

December 28, 2014

*Practicing a Personal  
Internationalism: Finding a  
Place in a Globalized World*

Paul Chislett



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness  
Love Courageously*

**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\* #208 *Everytime I Feel the Spirit*

#23 *Bring Many Names v. 1-4*

#162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*

Welcome – Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn\* #1 *May Nothing Evil Cross this Door*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn\* #159 *This is My Song*

Recessional

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

(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

**First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister

Todd Ballou, Music Director

**Today's Ushers:** Kathe Stevens Julie Brock

**Today's Greeters:** Sherry A. Wells Dale Compton

**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](http://www.1stuu.org); email the church secretary, Alexis, at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org); or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

## Announcements and Events – December 28, 2014

### 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.

### 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.

### Chancel Flower Donations

Our custom for providing flowers for each Sunday service is to have members and friends donate them in honor or memory of a person or event. The suggested donation of \$20 is negotiable if your situation requires. Lencha Acker purchases the flowers each Saturday at Eastern Market and brings them to church. The donor takes the flowers home to enjoy and returns the vase later. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, see Tamara after service or send her an email. 2015 dates are now available!

### Congregation-wide Book Read

We invite you to join us in reading excerpts from two very informative, interesting books: *Dangerous Liaisons: Blacks, Gays,* and *the Struggle for Equality and Coming Out in Faith: Voices of LGBTQ Unitarian Universalists*. We have a few copies to lend, as well. Let Kathe Stevens know if you would like to borrow a book or Kindle.

Please see Kathe Stevens or Irene Brisson during coffee hour to sign up to participate in the discussion by January 4<sup>th</sup> so we know how to plan the event. Watch the order of service or ask any Task Force member which excerpts we have chosen to read. We will begin discussing the book excerpts after church on January 25<sup>th</sup>.

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### Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to clean and update the Church Office. A date has not been set, however, the Building and Grounds Committee is looking for hard working individuals that would like to assist. You do not have to be a member of the Building and Grounds Committee to help. Please see or contact Tim Bailey at tbailey44444@yahoo.com.

### **Activities In and Outside the Church**

- 1/4 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “A Resolution of Joy.” As we begin the New Year, it is a time for resolutions. As we make commitments to recreate our realities, let’s make a resolution to live more joyfully this year.  
**12:30 p.m.** Intro to 1<sup>st</sup> UU
- 1/7 Wed., 7:00 p.m** Singing Circle with Gwen
- 1/11 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “An Evolutionary Culture.” It seems that contemporary culture tends to be too much about defending our learned practices and preferences. But perhaps an evolutionary culture is about creating adaptive practices and preferences.  
**12:30 p.m.** Intro to 1<sup>st</sup> UU
- 1/14 Wed., 6:00 p.m** Vespers Wednesday. Vespers in the parlor will feature a wide variety of LGBTQ poetry from famous poets as well as contemporary authors including teens.  
**7:00 p.m** Board Meeting  
**7:00 p.m** Singing Circle with Gwen
- 1/18 NEW MEMBER SUNDAY**  
**11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Relational Ethics.” Ultimately, one might argue that ethics is about love. But it does require an understanding of power to love with awareness.  
**12:30 p.m.** Potluck  
**12:30 p.m.** Music Program Meeting. Meet with Music Director Todd Ballou, to discuss the music program. This will be an opportunity to share any feedback or suggestions you may have.
- 1/19 Mon., 7:30 p.m** Amnesty International
- 1/25 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Anger.” Service by Matt Friedrichs with reflections on a night in Ferguson and St. Louis.