First Unitarian-Universalist Church

April 17, 2016

“A Century at Cass and Forest”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray,
Interim Minister

Guest Speakers:

Rev. Larry Hutchison,
Minister Emeritus
Rev. Nancy Wynkoop Doughty
Rev. Dr. Susann Pangerl
Rev. Emmy Lou Belcher
Rev. Lynda Ch’anna Smith
We encourage you to share your photos by uploading to our 1st UU Centennial Google Photos page:

https://goo.gl/photos/zST2269cUG2YdmQR7
Enter Order of Service

Entering

Lighting of Candles
Singing Together #290 Bring, O Past, Your Honor

Welcome

Robert Johnson, Worship Leader

Centering

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* On Our Centennial (see page 3)
Choir Anthem Todd Ballou, 1st UU choir director

Deepening

Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation

Order of Service cont’d next page
FOR OUR POTLUCK TODAY: Each table is set up with a salad and an appetizer. We encourage you to be seated (no seating assignments) and start eating until your table is called.

VEGANS AND VEGETARIANS: Go directly to the main table to select your entrées and side dishes, then other tables will be called.

Order of Service (cont’d)

DEEPENING (cont’d)

1979: Rev. Dr. Susann Pangerl
Hymn* #312 Here on the Paths of Every Day
2006: Rev. Lynda Ch'anna L. Smith
Hymn* #288 All Are Architects
Message: 1995: Rev. Larry Hutchinson,
Minister Emeritus
2016: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray,
Interim Minister

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #308 The Blessings of the Earth and Sky
Benediction We Shall Overcome
Recessional

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for a potluck lunch.
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
Today’s Music

Prelude: A Mighty Fortress is our God  
Martin Luther arr. Harold DeCou

Choir Anthem: We’ve Built a House  
Lyrics by Pat von Schwertdtner  
Music by Betsy Jo Angebrannt

Musical Meditation: Adagio in A Minor, BWV 564  
Johann Sebastian Bach

Offertory: Toccata in F Major, BWV 540 (excerpt)  
Johann Sebastian Bach

Recessional: 3 Part Invention #1 in C major  
Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn: On Our Centennial, Lee Thume, 2016

One hundred years ago today, some free souls raised their voice:  
They built an edifice to say, “We stand for love, we stand for choice.”

And in the century that’s passed, the flame they kindled here  
Has never ceased to burn and cast its light, both far and near.

Ah, if we could perceive that life these walls have seen and known:  
The heights and depths of human strife, these joys and tears from which we’ve grown!

And now, on our Centennial, we pledge in awe and debt  
To carry on what they’ve begun and reach new summits yet.
Announcements and Events – April 17, 2016

Today
There will be an extended worship service, from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM, featuring reflections by our minister emeritus and the four women who were ordained to the UU ministry in this church, in addition to a sermon by Rev. Murray about our history at this location. The culmination will be a celebratory potluck luncheon after church in our social hall.

Chancel Flower Donations
Today’s flowers are given by Colleen Dolan-Greene: Happy Anniversary First UU Church's building!

April Vespers
April is National Poetry month so Vespers, in the parlor, aka Memorial Hall, on April 27th at 6 pm, will feature some old favorites, Mary Oliver and Billy Collins, along with several other less famous poets, interspersed with musical selections yet to be determined. Your “vesparator” is feeling like Ruby’s spectacular presentation at last month’s vespers is a tough act to follow. Many thanks for a wonderful experience! Please come join us for a relaxing hour of fun and beauty.
– Al Acker

One-On-One 05/08/16, 12:30 pm
It’s something new at First UU. It’s fast! It’s fun! It’s sort of like speed dating. It’s an opportunity to learn more about each other. Details to follow.

Committee Fair 07/10/16, 12:30 pm
Oh, we wish things happened at First UU with magic, but it takes everyone volunteering to make this a great church. Committee Chairs/Leaders/Coordinators are encouraged to be part of our upcoming Committee Fair.
Sunday Sermons and Events

4/24  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Prejudice and Difference”
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

One of the ways that we often fail as individuals and as a society is by adhering to prejudices, some of which we are conscious of, and others that live insidiously deep. Today, we will talk about how we address those issues and how to confront the biases that we hold.

5/1  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “May Day”
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

One of the ways that many cultures in the Northern Hemisphere celebrate Spring is through the celebration of May Day. Since we conveniently have worship on this date, we will explore what all of the jubilation and fun is all about!

5/8  11:00 a.m. Sermon, “The Mother in Me”
Speaker: Anita "Ruby" Jones

Exploring and sharing stories about my matrilineal line, I will reveal the characteristics and traits that have become inextricably woven into the Mother that I am. In turn I will strive to elucidate the bridge that connects all women to the Earth, Mother of us all.

BEFORE CHURCH: You are invited to meet at church at 8:00AM and join our walk to Grand Circus Park. There, we will gather on the east side surrounding the bronze statue redubbed "Ikwe Michiganama" (Woman of the Great Waters). We will offer prayers, songs and intentions to bring justice, compassion, equity and peace into the affairs of our social, political, economic and spiritual institutions. We will return to First UU for a special Mother's Day service at 11:00 AM.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit has a long history of activism and is an affirming and welcoming congregation.

We strive to liberate truth, radiate kindness and love courageously.

We are a proud member of the Cass Corridor Commons.
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Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator
Alyssa Bond, Social Hour Coordinator

Today’s Greeters: Carolyn Lusch    Aletha Oberdier
Today’s Ushers:   Danny Rebb     Regina Weiss

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

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE:
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