

Today's Music

Prelude: *Run, Run* from Scenes from
Childhood
Octavia Pinto (1890-1950)

The garden is full of life. In the sunshine children run about gaily and noisily. Outside on the street, The poor blind man with his hand organ Sings his sorrows.

Musical Meditation: *Sicilienne*
Maria-Theresia von Paradis
(1759-1824), arr. for organ by P.
Gouin

A sicilienne is a musical style or genre with slow 6/8 or 12/8 time and lilting rhythms, usually in a minor key. (This one is in a major key) It was used for arias in Baroque operas, and often appears as a movement in instrumental works.

Offertory: *Spring* from the Four Seasons
Antonio Vivaldi

Recessional: *Air* from Symphonies des Fanfares
Jean Joseph Mouret
(1682-1738)

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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

Today's Ushers: Danny Rebb Irene Brisson
Today's Greeters: Aletha Oberdier Chloe Lundine
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

March 20, 2016

"Women and Ordination"

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate
Kindness ~ Love
Courageously*

**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 #73 *Chant for the Seasons (Spring verse only)*
#212 *We Are Dancing Sarah's Circle*
#1018 *Come and Go With Me*

WELCOME

Sharon Mills, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #1028 *Fire of Commitment*

DEEPENING

Invocation
Silent Meditation
Musical Meditation
Responsive Reading
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn* #44 *We Sing of Golden Mornings*
Benediction

Announcements and Events – March 20, 2016

2016-17 Canvass

The 2016-17 Canvass is under way and we hope you can attend the following special events:

TODAY, following the service, a nice luncheon, followed by a presentation on our goals for this year, accomplishments, and the proposed budget;

April 3, Stewardship Sunday, Rev. Murray's sermon "On Stewardship" and the collection of completed pledge forms. Contact Marsha Bruhn, 313-400-1192 or Marilyn Mitchell, 313-617 5989 for more information.

The March Vespers

Since the weather gods messed us up February 26, what was scheduled then moves to 6pm **March 23rd** in the parlor featuring Anita Jones... here's what she says about her performance: "My Voice is My Instrument - I will share original songs and poems along with the story of my alter ego, Ruby Woods. I will sing acapella and bring along my bag of percussion instruments." Come, join me and other poetry and music fans and enjoy and relax. Al Acker

Settled Minister Search

Do you have questions about our search for a settled minister? Rev. Barbara Child, the Ministerial Settlement Representative for the MidAmerica Region, will be presenting information and answering questions about our settled minister search process after the worship service on Sunday, **April 10**, at 12:30 PM in the sanctuary. That's our Potluck Sunday, so bring your best dishes and be prepared for an informative meeting!

Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Anita Jones, in celebration of the Vernal Equinox.

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Mother's Day

Join us again on Mother's Day, **May 8**, 2016 @ First UU Detroit Church/Cass Corridor Commons, 4605 Cass at Forest, at 8:00 AM. We will walk to Grand Circus Park and gather on the East side surrounding the bronze statue redubbed "Ikwe Michigamma" (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.

Sunday Sermons and Events

- 3/27 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Cycles"**
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
It's that time again. Seasons come again. But just because we are back at the beginning again, just we rise again from the darkness of the season it doesn't mean we are where we were once before.
- 4/3 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "On Stewardship"**
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
How do we participate in the mission of our church? What are the ways that we ensure the present and future of a church that rightfully celebrates its proud past? How do we use our gifts to expand our capacities beyond ourselves and for the betterment of others and the world?

First UU Centennial
Celebration

!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!

!!! SHARE THE DATE !!!

SAVE THE DATES of Saturday, April 16 and Sunday, April 17 for the 100-year anniversary celebration of the historic sanctuary of the [First Unitarian-Universalist Church](#) at 4605 Cass in Detroit.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

2:00 – 5:00 PM

Historic tour tracing our Unitarian and Universalist roots from the 1830s – when free thinkers first began to dream of a liberal religious denomination in Detroit. Who organized first, the Unitarians or the Universalists? Which major figures in Detroit's and Michigan's early history were involved in the founding and leadership of our liberal churches? What locations did they choose? Why? Where did civil rights martyrs, ground-breaking African-Americans, icons of women's and workers' rights movements, politicians, poets and peace activists worship, meet and organize? How long have we actively supported the LGBTQ community?

5:30 – 8:00 PM

Dinner and drinks at a local restaurant to celebrate each other and what we've seen and learned.

TICKET PRICES FOR THESE EVENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Centennial worship service in our historic sanctuary – come home for a reunion or come to learn more about us!

12:30 – 2:30 PM

Celebratory luncheon in our historic social hall – main courses provided with our traditional potluck side dishes.

First UU is located in and a proud member of the [Cass Corridor Commons](#), 4605 Cass at Forest, in Detroit.