Today's Music

Prelude: Women, Women from "The Merry Widow"

Franz Lehar

"The Merry Widow" is an operetta from 1905 based on a story concerning a rich widow, and her countrymen's attempt to keep her money in the principality by finding her the right husband. These lyrics accompany the march:

What to think, what to say, what to do? What a red-letter day if we

knew

Being male, we may fail, but we try, Yes we try, try, try, try, try. Clutching hope, we must cope, as we can. Though it's plainly too much for a man.

Though we sweat, though we slave, they forget what you gave Then you're back where you first began.

Chalice Song: The Flame of Truth is Kindled

words by Clifford Martin Reed, music by G James Webb

Musical Meditation: Flying Free

Don Besig

Offertory: The Heart of the House

Alanis Morissette

Recessional: Morning Has Broken

Eleanor Farieon

Today's Flowers are given by Carolyn Ludwig for the birthdays of Marianna Snyder and Linda Barton.

Today's Ushers: John Angry Margaret Wilkie

> Toni Tront Jerry Williams

Today's Greeters: Colleen Dolan-Greene Trey Greene

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.

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OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles Singing Together*

Welcome - Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #109 As We Come Marching, Marching. v1 & 2 only

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation Todd Ballou, 1st UU Choir director

Sydney Schaff, flute

Reading #573 Mother's Day Proclamation

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #91 Mother of All

Benediction*

Recessional

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

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."

How Could Anyone #1053

music and words by Libby Roderick

How could anyone ever tell you-- you were anything less than beautiful?

How could anyone ever tell you-- you were less than whole?

How could anyone fail to notice-- that your loving is a miracle?

How deeply you're connected to my soul. (repeat)

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

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