

## Today's Music

**Prelude:** *I Am Woman* (1971)  
Ray Burton

**Musical Meditation:** *Let it Be* (1970)  
Paul McCartney

**Offertory:** *Peace Train* (1971)  
Cat Stevens

**Recessional:** *If Every Woman in the World* #1026  
Karen MacKay

**Worship Coordinator readings today are all by Peace Pilgrim.**

Peace Pilgrim (July 18, 1908 – July 7, 1981), born Mildred Lisette Norman, was an American non-denominational spiritual teacher, mystic, pacifist, vegetarian and peace activist. In 1952, she walked the entire length of the Appalachian Trail in one season. She also walked across the United States to speak with those she would encounter about peace. January 1, 1953, she adopted the name "Peace Pilgrim" and walked across the United States for 28 years. She was on her seventh cross-country journey when she died.

### **First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, *Minister*

Todd Ballou, *Music Director*

Nancy Shattuck, *Office Administrator*

Omar Davis, *Social Hour Coordinator*

Julia Cuneo, *Child Care Provider*

**Today's Greeters:** Dan Hale                      Jody Wise

**Hearing Assistance** devices and **Large Print Hymnals** are available from any of our **Greeters**.

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

## **First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

May 13, 2018

*"Women Creating the Future of Peace"*  
Colleen Mills, Guest Speaker



*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\* #1069 *Ancient Mother*

*Praise, Love, and Gratitude (see insert)*

**WELCOME**    Worship Leader, Sherry A Wells

#### **CENTERING**

Prelude

Calling to Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn\*

#153 *Oh, I Woke Up this Morning*

#### **DEEPENING**

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Response

#123 *Spirit of Life* (please sing along)

Message

#### **RETURNING**

Offering

Closing Hymn\*

#162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*

Recessional

*Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for Sunday Potluck and conversation*

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

## Announcements and Events — May 13, 2018

**FLOWER DONATIONS:** Today's flowers are donated by Anita Ruby Jones to celebrate Women Walking Woodward for Peace today.

**SUNDAY POTLUCK:** We'll be meeting in the Social Hall immediately after the Mother's Day service for potluck, coffee, and conversation today. Everyone is invited!

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** There will be a "Visitors' Table" and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. Kathe Stevens is at the "Visitors' Table" today and welcomes anyone who would like to know more about our church and our congregation. Please stop by. **We'd like to get to know you better!**

**NEEDED: A FEW GOOD VOLUNTEERS:** We need one or two people stepping up to help with child care during the service. We have recently lost some of our volunteers due to a variety of reasons, so we need to replace them. Please contact Richard Hillier or Sally Borden if you can help. Thanks!

**SUNDAY MAY 20 – ANNUAL MEETING:** The Extreme Energy Conference will be held in the Social Hall on May 20, so our annual meeting will be in the Sanctuary instead, at 12:30 PM. Since coffee hour will be in the Parlor that day, please look around and offer to fetch coffee for our members who would find it difficult to travel to the Parlor and return immediately to the Sanctuary. And don't be shy to ask for assistance, either!" The voting membership shall elect a President, Vice-President, delegates for General and Regional Assemblies, and a Nominating Committee, all to serve in the 2018-19 fiscal year. The voting membership shall also approve a budget for the next fiscal year, receive committee reports, and consider an amendment to the bylaws to change the quorum requirements for board meetings. More information will be provided in future emails, newsletters, orders of service, and pulpit announcements.

**DETROIT REP THEATRE OUTING:** I have 13 tickets (and can get more) for the play, *Harmony Park* at the Detroit Rep, Sunday 2:00PM, May 20, 2018. We will be going to the Traffic Jam for dinner after the play. For tickets, see me at coffee hour; they are \$15 each, and the church will receive \$5 for every ticket sold. You can also call or email me. Margaret Beck 313 882 7775 [margretbeck@comcast.net](mailto:margretbeck@comcast.net). **Hope you can join us.**

## Sunday Sermons and Events

**TODAY, 5/13 11:00AM - Women Creating the Future of Peace**

Colleen Mills, Guest Speaker

Can you feel the excitement of peace surging in the world? Do you believe that peace is not only possible, but necessary for the future of our world and our planet? Let's open our hearts and minds to bring forth that power of peace as we create a world that works for all of humanity. Women and children have been rising up, speaking out, and are determined to be heard. Let's all come together in the name of peace!

Colleen Mills is the president of the Citizens for Peace and serves on the board of the Michigan Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence. After retiring from teaching in Detroit for 35 years, she cofounded the Citizens for Peace. The nonprofit organization has been working to create a culture of peace focused on educating and facilitating the practices and principles of nonviolence. It has developed a Nonviolent Bibliography of over 1000 titles and has donated hundreds of books to libraries in Michigan. The peace group has provided educational programs at their monthly meetings, never missing a meeting since the first one on Veterans Day, 2003. Colleen has dedicated her retirement to peace-building and networking with other peace groups to create awareness that peace is not only possible, it is necessary for a sustainable world.

**5/20 11:00AM – On Pentecost**

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister

Throughout the world today, churches of the Christian traditions celebrate a singular holiday called Pentecost. This is the one date in the liturgical calendar that ministers wear red, there is a special interest in fire, and suddenly a lot of talk about the Holy Spirit. Why might Unitarian Universalists be especially connected to this Christian holiday?

**5/27 11:00AM – Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win**

Yusef Bunchy Shakur, Guest Speaker

He speaks of his journey of redemption, hope, triumph, and transformation from Zone-8-gang-life to father, freedom fighter, community activist and grass-roots advocate. Yusef Bunchy Shakur is well versed in the language and syntax of Detroit; an author and educator, he interprets the language of the city's majority Black population--from its pain and anger to its hope through his experience of transformation. He offers sage advice to help re-spirit and re-build a broken community plagued from social decay through his efforts as a local and national organizer. He currently serves as Co-Director of Programs with the Michigan Roundtable.