# **Today's Music Prelude:** A Mighty Fortress is Our God Martin Luther/ arr. Harold deCou Musical Meditation: Ave Maria Charles Gounod/ J. S. Bach **Offertory:** The Lord's Prayer Albert Hay Malotte/ arr. Carl Deis **Recessional:** All Creatures of the Earth and Sky #203 Ausserlessne Catholische Kirchengesang 1623 **First Unitarian-Universalist Church** The 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 Mark Schwing **Today's Greeters:** Marsha Bruhn Maysel Brooks Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers. Large Print Hymnals are available from the Greeters.

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# First Unitarian-Universalist Church August 14, 2016 "Ecumenism, Yesterday and Today." Reverend Stephen Butler Murray



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ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING Lighting of Candles Singing Together\* #348 Guide My Feet #205 Amazing Grace #407 We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table Dessa Cosma, Worship Leader WELCOME CENTERING Prelude Calling To Worship Kindling the Flame **Opening Hymn\*** #1058 Be Ours a Religion DEEPENING Silent Meditation Invocation Musical Meditation Reading Message RETURNING Offering Closing Hymn\* #316 Tradition Held Fast

*Congregation may exit to McCollester Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation* (\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Benediction

#### **Chancel Flower Donations**

Today's flowers are given by Bob Lauer.

#### **Membership Book Signing**

Today, we will be having our monthly Membership Book Signing. If you are interested in becoming an official member of UU Detroit, please let Joan Smykowski know. We encourage you to bring your completed membership forms the day of the signing. Membership forms may be found in the Membership Path section of the Church's website.

#### **Rest in Peace**

Lifelong church member, Andee Seeger, died in June. Her brother, Victor is coming from California to probate her estate. He will be in town from August 4-15 and wants to offer her books to church members who want to take any. He is not staying at Andee's house at 4150 Kensington Ave., Detroit but can be reached to make an appointment at 313-882-1113 (home) or his cell phone, 510-316-1419.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY COMING IN SEPTEMBER!**

A key part of the search process for a settled minister is the congregational survey. Your search committee will be guided by it as we try to find the best minister for our congregation. We need your voice! What are your wants, needs, and hopes for a new minister? What are your visions for the future of our church? The congregational survey will provide an opportunity for you to be heard in this most important process. We're hoping for a 100% rate of return! So look for it in early September. Surveys will then be available at that time on-line and in paper form during coffee hour on "Survey Sundays". We'll keep you updated as we count down to September!- **The Ministerial Search Committee** 

#### August 24th Vespers

Your Vesperator needs to hear from you. Please contact me by August 15<sup>th</sup> at 313 393-8544 or ackera@hotmail.com with a favorite poem you would like to include. Also let me know if you prefer to read it or have me read it. I'll choose some music and we'll all meet at 6pm in the parlor to enjoy a respite in the midst of our busy weeks. Hoping this idea works with your help. - *Al Acker* 

### Sunday Sermons and Events

## 8/21 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "The Gospel of Bruce." Speaker: Joel Batterman

The rise of Donald Trump has focused attention on America's white working classes: their fears, pains and aspirations. For nearly half a century, however, few public figures have given those feelings more eloquent voice than Bruce Springsteen, the Jersey-born poet-rocker who gained international fame in the twilight of postwar U.S. prosperity. What lessons does Springsteen's deeply humane vision hold for us today, as we stare down the twin threats of homegrown fascism and an intolerable status quo?

8/28 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Detroit Musings, 'Scrap Metal Mantra': a Love Song to Detroit"

## Speaker: Ken Meisel

Ken Meisel is a poet and psychologist from Detroit, a Kresge Arts fellow and Pushcart nominee. He will read from his poetry, which has been called a "poetic homage" to the working class, "tinged with mortality and transience, giving it an anguished intensity."