Today's Music

Prelude: I Believe in Miracles

John W Peterson

Chalice Lighting Song: In All Our Hearts #72 v. 4

words by Jeanne C. Maki, German

Folksong

Musical Meditation: Prayer from Jewish Life No 1

Ernest Bloch

Offertory: Freedom, Merriment and Joy

Howard Rosner

Recessional: #217 O Sing Hallelujah

A. W. Binder

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Reverend Roger Mohr, Interim Minister Todd Ballou, Music Director Gwen Foss, Cantor

Today's Flowers are given by Gloria Williams for Bob Neale's 85th birthday!

Today's Ushers: John Angry Robert Neale

Carolyn Ludwig

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 <u>www.1stuu.org</u>; email the church secretary, Tamara, at <u>info@1stuu.org</u>; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

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December 9, 2012

"Our Cruelty to Strangers"

Reverend Roger Mohr



Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness Love Courageously

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OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles
Singing Together*
Welcome – Dan Wiest, Trustee of the Day

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #1029 Love Knocks and Waits for Us To Hear (see insert)

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #1026 If Every Woman in the World (see insert)

Benediction*

Recessional

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

Dona Nobis Pacem #388

Traditional Canon

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: To take each moment and live each moment In peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Light One Candle #221

Words & music by Peter Yarrow

1 Light one candle for the Maccabee children with thanks that their light didn't die. Light one candle for the pain they endured when their right to exist was denied. Light one candle for the terrible sacrifice justice and freedom demand. But light one candle for the wisdom to know when the peacemaker's time is at hand.

(Chorus) Don't let the light go out, it's lasted for so many years. Don't let the light go out, let it shine through our love and our tears.

- 2 Light one candle for the strength that we need to never become our own foe. Light one candle for those who are suff'ring the pain we learned so long ago. Light one candle for all we believe in, that anger won't tear us apart. And light one candle to bring us together with peace as the song in our heart. (Chorus)
- 3 What is the mem'ry that's valued so highly we keep it alive in that flame? What's the commitment to those who have died when we cry out they've not died in vain? Have we come this far always believing that justice would somehow prevail? This is the burden and this is the promise and this is why we will not fail. (Chorus)

Opening Hymn: #1029 Love Knocks and Waits for Us to Hear Words & music by Daniel Charles Damon

- 1. Love knocks and waits for us to hear, to open and invite; Love longs to quiet every fear, and seeks to set things right.
- 2. Love offers life, in spite of foes who threaten and condemn; embracing enemies, Love goes the second mile with them.
- 3. Love comes to heal the broken heart, to ease the troubled mind; without a word Love bids us start to ask and seek and find.
- 4. Love knocks and enters at the sound of welcome from within; Love sings and dances all around, and feels new life begin.

Closing Hymn: If Every Woman in the World #1026 words & music by Karen MacKay and Nancy Nordlie

- 1. If ev'ry woman in the world had her mind set on freedom, if ev'ry woman in the world dreamed a sweet dream of peace, if ev'ry woman of ev'ry nation, young and old, each generation, held her hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.
- 2. If ev'ry man in the world had his mind set on freedom, if ev'ry brother stood for brother as a witness for peace, if ev'ry man of ev'ry nation, young and old, each generation, held his hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.
- 3. If ev'ry leader in the world shared a vision of freedom, if ev'ry leader in the world shared a sweet dream of peace, if ev'ry leader of ev'ry nation, worked for justice and liberation, holding hands out in the name of love, there would be no more war.
- 4. If ev'ry nation in the world set a true course for freedom, if ev'ry nation raised its children in a culture of peace, if all our sons and all our daughters reached in friendship across the waters,

re--fusing to be enemies, there would be no more war.

Announcements and Events - December 9, 2012

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour

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Vespers Wednesday

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