

### Today's Music

- Prelude:** *Eine Kluge Nacht Music*  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- Chalice Song:** *In All Our Hearts #72 v. 4*
- Choir Anthem:** *Do You Hear What I Hear?*  
Noel Regney and Gloria Shayne,  
arr. Harry Simeone
- Musical Meditation:** *Claire de Lune/ Jesus Loves Me*  
Claude Debussy/ William Bradbury
- Offertory:** *Allegro assai* from Sonata in F Major K. 332  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- Recessional:** *Finale from Sonata in G Major Hoboken XVI: 7*  
Franz Joseph Haydn

**Flowers are donated** in celebration of Heather McKnight-Menci's 50th birthday, by her proud loving parents Bill and Edie McKnight. Heather grew up attending our Second Story Church and is now a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner specializing in endocrinology at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She and her husband have a delightful 10 year old son.

**Today's Ushers:** Bill McKnight      Edie McKnight  
Robert Neale      Jerry Williams

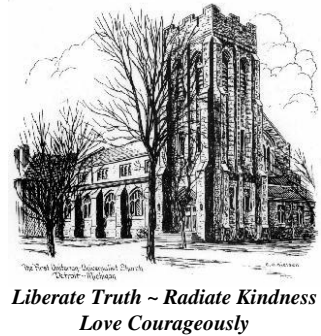
**Today's Greeters:** Dan Wiest      Dale Compton

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

## *First Unitarian-Universalist Church*

**December 15, 2013**  
*The Transcendental Ape*  
**Rev. Roger Mohr**



**First Unitarian-Universalist Church is an urban center for  
spiritual renewal and social justice in Detroit**

### OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

#### ENTERING

Lighting of Candles  
Singing Together\*  
Welcome – Worship Leader

#### CENTERING

Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\* #344 *A Promise Through the Ages Rings v. 1-3*  
Choir Anthem Todd Ballou, 1st UU Choir Director

#### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading #592 *The Free Mind*  
Message

#### RETURNING

Offering  
Closing Hymn\* *Imagine* (see insert)  
Benediction\*  
Recessional

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

### ***There Is More Love Somewhere #95***

*African-American Hymn*

1 There is more love somewhere. There is more love somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more love somewhere.

2 There is more hope somewhere. There is more hope somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more hope somewhere.

3 There is more peace somewhere. There is more peace somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more peace somewhere.

4 There is more joy somewhere. There is more joy somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more joy somewhere.

### ***Dona Nobis Pacem #388***

#### ***This Little Light of Mine #118***

*African American Spiritual*

1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3 Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3. Now let us sing to the power of the love within.

4. Now let us sing to the power of the joy within.

#### ***Closing Hymn: Imagine (1971)***

John Lennon

1. Imagine there's no heaven, it's easy if you try.  
No hell below us, above us only sky  
Imagine all the people living for today. Ah----

*(continued on next page)*

2. Imagine there's no countries, it isn't hard to do.

Nothing to kill or die for, and no religion too.

Imagine all the people living life in peace.

You--- you may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one.

I hope some day you'll join us, and the world will be as one.

3. Imagine no possessions, I wonder if you can.

No need for greed or hunger, a brotherhood of man.

Imagine all the people, sharing all the world.

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Reading: #592 "The Free Mind"

I call that mind free which masters the senses, and which recognizes its own reality and greatness:

*Which passes life, not in asking what it shall eat or drink, but in hungering, thirsting, and seeking after righteousness.*

I call that mind free which jealously guards its intellectual rights and powers, which does not content itself with a passive or hereditary faith:

*Which opens itself to light whence so ever it may come; which receives new truth as an angel from heaven.*

I call that mind free which is not passively framed by outward circumstances, and is not the creature of accidental impulse:

*Which discovers everywhere the radiant signatures of the infinite spirit, and in them finds help to its own spiritual enlargement.*

I call that mind free which protects itself against the usurpations of society, and which does not cower to human opinion:

*Which refuses to be the slave or tool of the many or of the few, and guards its empire over itself as nobler than the empire of the world.*

I call that mind free which resists the bondage of habit, which does not mechanically copy the past, nor live on its old virtues:

*But which listens for new and higher monitions of conscience, and rejoices to pour itself forth in fresh and higher exertions.*

I call that mind free which sets no bounds to its love, which, wherever they are seen, delights in virtue and sympathizes with suffering:

*Which recognizes in all human beings the image of God and the rights of God's children, and offers itself up a willing sacrifice to the cause of humankind.*

I call that mind free which has cast off all fear but that of wrongdoing, and which no menace or peril can enthrall:

*Which is calm in the midst of tumults, and possesses itself, though all else be lost.*

~William Ellery Channing

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