

# FIRST UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF DETROIT NEWSLETTER



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## *Upcoming Sermon Schedule*

### **April 3rd — “On Stewardship ”**

*Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray*

How do we participate in the mission of our church? What are the ways that we ensure the present and future of a church that rightfully celebrates its proud past? How do we use our gifts to expand our capacities beyond ourselves and for the betterment of others and the world?

### **April 10th — “Competition or Community? Humanizing Schooling in Detroit and Beyond”**

*Joel Berger, Detroit Public Schools teacher*

— **After the service:** *Rev. Barbara Child, MidAmerica Ministerial Settlement Representative, will present information and answer questions about our settled minister search process —*

### **April 17th — “A Century at Cass and Forest”**

*Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray*

We are celebrating the centennial of worshipping in our sanctuary at the corner of Cass and Forest. This extended 90 minute service will include reminiscences by all four of the women who were ordained to the Unitarian-Universalist ministry by this church, a recollection by our *minister emeritus*, and a sermon by Rev. Dr. Murray about our history at this location.

### **April 24th — “Prejudice and Difference”**

*Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray*

One of the ways that we often fail as individuals and as a society is by adhering to prejudices, some of which we are conscious of, and others that live insidiously deep. Today, we will talk about how we address those issues and how to confront the biases that we hold.

### **May 1st — “May Day”**

*Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray*

One of the ways that many cultures in the Northern Hemisphere celebrate Spring is through the celebration of May Day. Since we conveniently have worship on this date, we will explore what all of the jubilation and fun is all about!

## *Notice of Congregational Meeting*

**Our Annual Congregational Meeting is May 15 (more info at page 7)**

## FIRST UNITARIAN - UNIVERSALIST CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2015–2016

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**Worship Services  
held every Sunday  
at 11:00 a.m.**

## *Letter from the President ...*

Greetings to the First UU Detroit community!

I want to welcome our newest member, Carmen Mendoza King. Carmen has been attending First UU with Emma Velasquez and Emirene Mendoza for quite some time. She moved out-of-state for school, graduated, and now is back in Detroit. We're so glad Carmen has chosen us for her spiritual home.

In the spirit of Rev. Murray's March 20<sup>th</sup> sermon, "Women and Ordination," I'm happy to now confirm that all four of the women ministers ordained in our sanctuary will attend our centennial celebrations: **Rev. Nancy Doughty**, our former Minister of Education, ordained at First UU in 1962; Rev. Susann Pangerl (1979); **Rev. Emmy Lou Belcher**, our former Director of Religious Education (1989); and former DRE **Rev. Lynda Smith** (2006). We'll also welcome our minister *emeritus*, Rev. Larry Hutchison and his wife, Nancy – and we've heard from other old friends who are joining us at Traffic Jam for dinner.

Do you know which founder of a Detroit monthly reading series and arts collective worshipped at First UU and staged plays here? How many Michigan governors were Unitarians? A lot of us know about First UU member Viola Liuzzo, a martyr of the Selma civil rights marches in 1965 – but did you know a few days before Viola Liuzzo was murdered, one of our members immolated herself on a Detroit street corner to protest the Vietnam war?

Sign up for our bus or bike tour and learn more about our history. Details are on page 9 in this newsletter, but I'll repeat the registration link here: <http://www.eventbrite.com/o/first-unitarian-universalist-church-of-detroit-3290690712>, click on the "100 Years" logo.

We'll also have tour maps to purchase at the dinner at Traffic Jam and at the luncheon after our Sunday worship service.

Read more at page 8 in this newsletter about our Spring Clean-Up Day on Saturday, April 9, to get the sanctuary and grounds looking Spring-perfect for our centennial celebrations.

The 2016-17 Canvass Campaign, "100 Years at the Corner of Cass and Forest," is under way. It's no coincidence that our Canvass Campaign theme and our Centennial theme are one and the same. Looking back at our last 100 years gives us the perspective to plan for our next 100 years at our corner in Detroit.

I hope you were able to attend the March 20 kick-off of our campaign, enjoy the wonderful lunch put together by Canvass Campaign co-chairs, **Marsha Bruhn** and **Marilyn Mitchell**, hear from Board Vice President, **Matt Friedrichs**, and Finance Committee member, **Bob Lauer**, and get a chance to reflect on what First UU means to you. If you did, don't miss our April 3 Stewardship Sunday, when Rev. Murray will preach "On Stewardship."

See page 8 for more details about our Canvass Campaign. If you haven't already turned in your pledge form, please consider what First UU Detroit means to you and turn in your forms to Marsha or Marilyn by April 3. I've turned in mine!

best ... Kathe



### What Do UUs Believe?

We believe that personal experience, conscience, and reason should be the final authorities in religion. In the end religious authority lies not in a book, person, or institution, but in ourselves. We put religious insights to the test of our hearts and minds. For more information, please attend the next "Intro to First UU" session is April 3, at 12:30 pm.

### How Do UUs Worship?

Each UU congregation is different but all are involved in many kinds of programs. Worship is held regularly, the insights of the past and present are shared with those who will create the future, service to the community is undertaken, and friendships are made. We worship Sundays, 11:00 am.

### How Are Congregations Governed?

Our congregations are self-governing. Authority and responsibility are vested in the membership of the congregation.

Each local congregation, called a church, society or fellowships, adopts its own bylaws, elects its own officers, and approves its budget — which we will do at our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 15, 2016. Our next Board Meeting is April 13, 2016.

**For more information about becoming a member of First UU of Detroit, please contact Regina Weiss at [regina.a.weiss@gmail.com](mailto:regina.a.weiss@gmail.com).**

### Volunteer Fairs

Volunteer opportunities at First Church will be shared on July 10, after the service.

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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## 100 Years in Our Present Congregational Home We Invite you to Join Us

For 100 years, our congregation has worshiped in our present church. We invite you to be part of our liberal religion, born of the Jewish and Christian traditions. Today, Unitarian-Universalists have their individual beliefs about a number of things, including God, the Bible, Jesus, the earth, death, prayer and ritual. We keep our minds open to the religious questions people have struggled with in all times and places.

Our congregation strives to affirm the seven Principles of Unitarian-Universalism:

- ◆ Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth
- ◆ A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- ◆ The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process
- ◆ The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
- ◆ Justice, equity and compassion in human relations
- ◆ The inherent worth and dignity of every person
- ◆ Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

If you believe that the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit is your spiritual home, you are invited to participate in the "Intro to First UU" session on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 12:30 pm.

### Welcome to Our Newest Member

We would like to welcome to our Church family:

**Carmen Mendoza King** of Detroit

We hope Carmen will continue to explore the important questions and meaning of life as a member of First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit.



## Greeters Update

Volunteering as a greeter is an important part of the “radical hospitality” practiced at First UU Detroit. If you enjoy meeting new people, welcoming members and sharing your knowledge of our church, please contact Glenn Maxwell at [detroitglenn@gmail.com](mailto:detroitglenn@gmail.com).

We are happy to announce our greeters, who have volunteered for April 2016:

Chloe Lundine  
 Carolyn Lusch  
 Edie McKnight  
 Bill McKnight  
 Aletha Oberdier  
 Emma Velasquez  
 Sherry A. Wells

## *Steps to Becoming A Member at First Unitarian Universalist Church Detroit*

Becoming a member of the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit, does not require denouncing or stopping any religious or spiritual practices that you now believe or practice. We ask you to open your heart and mind to become a member. To help you make your decision, please attend the next “Intro to First UU” session on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 12:30 pm. The session will include a history and philosophy of the church. We will answer any questions you have, at the no-pressure, informative meeting.

The Membership Book signing will be Sunday, April 10, 2016, after the church service. There are three requirements to becoming a member of First Church:

- ◆ Sign the Membership Book
- ◆ Make a financial donation of records and/or
- ◆ Make a financial pledge.

For more information, or to access the forms to become a member, please visit

<http://www.1stuu.org/Membership/membership.php>

### **Questions About Becoming a Member?**

#### **Unsure of the Steps to Becoming a Member?**

Please contact Regina Weiss at [regina.a.weiss@gmail.com](mailto:regina.a.weiss@gmail.com).

#### **Want to Volunteer as a Greeter?**

Please contact Glenn Maxwell at [detroitglenn@gmail.com](mailto:detroitglenn@gmail.com).

### **Important Upcoming Membership Dates**

- ◆ “Intro to First UU” Sessions (choose one): April 3 or May 1 or June 5 or July 3, 2016 – 12:30 pm
- ◆ Membership Book Signings (choose one): April 10 or May 8 or June 12 or July 10, 2016 – after the service
- ◆ Committee Fair: July 10, 2016 – after the service



## *Standing Church Announcements and Events*

### **First UU Detroit Board Meetings**

Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month.

April 13	Whole Foods Community Room	7:00 - 9:00 pm
May 11	Whole Foods Community Room	7:00 - 9:00 pm

All are welcome at Board meetings. Whole Foods is located at 115 Mack Ave at John R, Detroit. If you have an item you wish to have included on the agenda for discussion at the meeting, please contact **Danny Rebb**, Board Secretary at [dfrebb@aol.com](mailto:dfrebb@aol.com).

### **Vespers Wednesday**

Vespers runs from 6:00 - 7:00 pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Parlor.

### **FIRST Sundays: "Intro to First UU"**

Are you new to the church, or just interested in learning more about our church and tradition? The "Intro to First UU" class offers introductory information on what the church is all about, and it is an important step toward becoming a member. There are two objectives: one is to share information on the UU tradition as a whole, and a second goal is to focus specifically on the history and traditions of the Detroit church. Please do attend: We are proud of who we are, and we want you to be proud to be with us!

### **SECOND Sundays: Welcoming New Members**

This is a regular service, but we also include a time to invite our new members to come forward, present themselves to the community, and sign the membership book. This is an important ceremony honoring those who have chosen to identify themselves with our values, our tradition, and our community. Make them feel welcome among us!

### **SECOND Sunday: Potluck**

Time to break out your best recipe and bring it to church – share your food with FUUD! As we begin to add new members, it is a good time to share fellowship and nourishment with the people who nourish us, in return. Remember that everything must come and go the day of the event – we have no refrigerator space to keep things beyond the immediate need. If you have dietary concerns (peanut allergies, and such), please do let us know, so that food can be labeled.

### **Singing Circle**

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm - Singing Circle at the church. Open to all. Contact **Gwen Foss** at [bookdoctorgwen@gmail.com](mailto:bookdoctorgwen@gmail.com) for more details.



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### **Acknowledgements**

If you have a milestone (joy or sorrow) to share or a visitor to introduce during a worship service, please write the message on one of the index cards which can be found in the backs of the pews, and place the card in the offering basket during the collection. Milestones and visitor names will be passed to the minister for sharing with the congregation as part of our closing circle.

### **Amnesty International**

Amnesty International is a global movement of people fighting injustice and promoting human rights. Amnesty International meets at First UU Detroit on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Parlor. Contact **Dan Wiest** at [dfwiest@comcast.net](mailto:dfwiest@comcast.net) for more information.

### **Young Adults Activities**

The first UU Young Adults group participates in two activities per month. To learn find out about upcoming Young Adults activities, visit us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/young1stuu/>. or contact **Aletha Oberdier** at [alethafaye@gmail.com](mailto:alethafaye@gmail.com) to join our Google Group.

### **Chancel Flower Donations**

Our custom for providing flowers for each Sunday service is to have members and friends donate them in honor or memory of a person or event. The suggested donation of \$20 is negotiable if your situation requires. **Lencha Acker** purchases the flowers each Saturday at Eastern Market and brings them to church. The donor takes the flowers home to enjoy and returns the vase later. If you would like to sign up to donate flowers, please use the [Flower Donation Signup Sheet](#) on our website, see our Office Administrator, **Alexis Mitchell**, after the service, or send an email to [webmaster@1stuu.org](mailto:webmaster@1stuu.org)!

### **Care Committee**

Help us to minister to each other. If you or someone you know is sick, in need of a pastoral call or other assistance, please let the Care Committee know by contacting its chair, **Nancy Owen Nelson**, at [nelnan@aol.com](mailto:nelan@aol.com), to provide a network for communication and support. Other members are **Sally Borden**, **Edie McKnight**, and **Nathan Strickland**.

### **Child Care**

Childcare is available during service in a bright, cheerful room in the back of the church, off the narthex. See **Sally Borden** or **Richard Hillier** for details.

### **Lost & Found**

We now have a Lost & Found box in the office on the shelf to your right as you enter the office. If you find something, please take it to the office and put it in the Lost & Found box. If you have lost something, please check the box for that item. —**Greeter Team**



## *Special Church Announcements and Events*

### **Social Hour in Parlor—April 10**

First UU's coffee hour will be held in the Parlor on Sunday, April 10. The Center for Progressive Leadership's monthly training will be in the Social Hall so we'll move to the Parlor for our coffee and conversation. All training dates are on the First UU church calendar. Other dates are: May 22, June 26, July 24, August 21.

### **Do you have questions about our search for a settled minister?—April 10**

Rev. Barbara Child, the Ministerial Settlement Representative for the MidAmerica Region, will be presenting information and answering questions about our settled minister search process after the worship service on Sunday, April 10, 2016 at 12:30 PM in the sanctuary. That's our Potluck Sunday, so bring your best dishes and be prepared for an informative meeting!

### **Mother's Day—May 8**

Join us again on Mother's Day, May 8, 2016 at First UU Detroit Church/Cass Corridor Commons, 4605 Cass at Forest, at 8:00 AM. We will walk to Grand Circus Park and gather on the East side surrounding the bronze statue redubbed "Ikwe Michigamma" (Woman of the Great Waters). We will offer prayers, songs and intentions to bring justice, compassion, equity and peace into the affairs of our social, political, economic and spiritual institutions. We will return to First UU for a special Mother's Day service at 11:00 AM.

### **UUA May 2016 Trip**

The Unitarian Universalist Association has been sponsoring trips to the Deep South to visit historic sites in the Civil Rights Movement, e.g., Selma and the church at which the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., preached, museums and other churches and cemeteries. People who have taken the trip tell me it is an incredible, unforgettable experience. Registration for the **May 2016**, trip is now open at <http://www.uulivinglegacy.org/may-2016-registration-information.html>. I am planning on going and I would love to share a room with someone and have other people from our church go. Follow the link and learn more. —Linda Darga

### **Notice of Annual Congregational Meeting—May 15**

Pursuant to Article IV, §2(A) of our by-laws, at 12:30 P.M. on Sunday, May 15, 2016, we will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary. At our Annual Congregational Meeting, the voting membership will elect a President and Vice-President, trustees-at-large as appropriate for expiring terms or vacant positions, and all other elected positions as provided for in our by-laws. The voting membership will also approve a budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year, receive committee reports, and transact any and all other business of the Church. Additionally, pursuant to Article X, proposed by-law amendments will be introduced for approval by the voting membership.

## *Special Church Announcements and Events*

### Church Clean-Up Day—April 9

To prepare for the approaching Centennial celebration, a clean-up day will be held on Saturday, April 9, from 8:00 until 1:00 or when we get too tired. Due to EMEAC events, we will concentrate on the Sanctuary and the grounds this day. More clean-up announcements will be forthcoming, possibly for weekday work. Please RSVP to **Dan Wiest** at [dfwiest@comcast.net](mailto:dfwiest@comcast.net) as to your willingness to help create a welcoming environment for our honored guests, returning members and friends.

### 2016-2017 Canvass Campaign

The 2016-17 Canvass Campaign, "100 Years at the Corner of Cass and Forest," is under way and we hope you will be able to complete your pledge forms (if you haven't already!) and turn them in. You can turn in your pledge form any time but we hope to have all completed pledge forms by April 3, Stewardship Sunday, when Rev. Murray will preach "On Stewardship." Feel free to contact one of our Canvass Campaign Co-Chairs, **Marsha Bruhn**, 313-400-1192, or **Marilyn Mitchell**, 313-617-5989, if you have questions, need a pledge form, or need more information. We hope to collect completed pledge forms by April 3 so we may have enough information to create a realistic 2016-17 budget to present at the Annual Congregational Meeting on May 15.

### So much going on at First UU Detroit: check the calendar first

Our growing and energized congregation means there is so much going on at First UU Detroit on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings! Unfortunately, in the last month we've had to cancel two events because of conflicts. There's an easy fix: by quickly glancing at our calendar, you can see if the community conversation you want to schedule is on the same date that our community will be engaged in another event. Or maybe the space you wish to use is already in use by another group on the date you are organizing your meeting. By checking our church calendar first, <http://www.1stuu.org/calendar.php>, you can see if the date on which you wish to hold your event is open. Then check in with our Office Administrator, Alexis Mitchell, via email at [office@1stuu.org](mailto:office@1stuu.org) or call 313-833-9107, to get your event on the calendar. Alexis will check with EMEAC's Dee Collins to make sure there are no conflicts and get your event calendared so you may invite all of us!

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;</li> </ul>	<p>Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides. We live out these Principles within a "living tradition" of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;</li> </ul>	
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## Special Church Announcements and Events



**FIRST UU CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION:**  
**!!! SHARE THE DATE !!! — !!! SAVE THE DATE !!!**

### SATURDAY, APRIL 16

**2:00 – 5:00 PM: *Historic bus and bicycle tour*** tracing Unitarian and Universalist roots from the 1830s – when free thinkers first began to dream of a liberal religious denomination in Detroit. Who organized first, the Unitarians or the Universalists? Which major figures in Detroit's and Michigan's early history were involved in the founding and leadership of our liberal churches? What locations did they choose? Why? Where did civil rights martyrs, ground-breaking African-Americans, icons of women's and workers' rights movements, politicians, poets and peace activists worship, meet and organize? How long have we actively supported the LGBTQ community?

**PARKING:** limited parking is available at our lot on Prentis -- enter off the alley between Cass and Second -- kitty-corner from the historic house at 4605 Cass. There are also paid parking lots near the church on Cass. (Traffic Jam has its own lot if you are coming for dinner, only.)

**5:30 – 8:00 PM:** Join us for *dinner* at Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant, 511 W. Canfield at Second, Detroit.

#### **TICKET PRICES:**

***Historic Bus Tour = \$20 per person***

***Historic Bike Tour = \$10 per person***

***Dinner = \$20 per person\****

*\*includes bread, salad, 6 entree choices, including a vegetarian option, dessert, beverage (soft drinks, coffee, tea), tax and gratuity – cash bar*

**REGISTER AT:** <http://www.eventbrite.com/o/first-unitarian-universalist-church-of-detroit-3290690712>, click on the "100 Years" logo

### SUNDAY, APRIL 17

**11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: *Centennial worship service*** in our historic sanctuary – come home for a reunion or come to learn more about us!

**12:30 – 2:30 PM: *Celebratory luncheon*** in our historic social hall – main courses provided with our traditional potluck side dishes.

**PARKING:** limited parking is available at our lot on Prentis -- enter off the alley between Cass and Second -- kitty-corner from the historic house at 4605 Cass, as well as a few spots in our Forest parking lot (we ask that you please

First UU is located in and a proud member of the Cass Corridor Commons, 4605 Cass at Forest, in Detroit.

We welcome all to join us in celebrating 100 years at the corner of Cass and Forest. **PLEASE PASS ON THIS INVITATION** to anyone interested in a **history of liberal religion in the city of Detroit**, to all UUs who wish to celebrate our **joint history**, and to current and former First Churchers near and far who **made that history**.

For more information or to RSVP offline, email [uudetroitcentennial@gmail.com](mailto:uudetroitcentennial@gmail.com) or call the church office, 313--833-9107, and leave a message.

Sincerely, *The Board of Trustees of First UU Church of Detroit and The Centennial Committee*

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Regional Assembly 2016

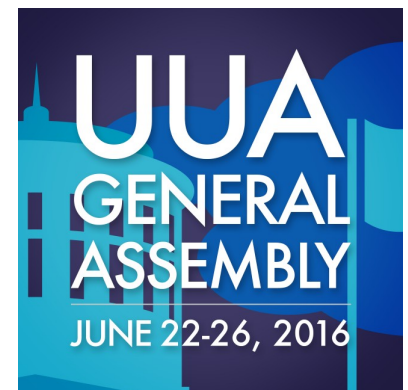
### The **WHO** in the New Era of Unitarian Universalism

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### Exciting denominational events are coming up!

MidAmerica **Regional Assembly** is April 29-May 1 in St. Paul MN; Glenn Maxwell and Kathe Stevens are attending as delegates. We've submitted a photo of our banner for the virtual banner parade; we'll post the link when it's up and running.

2016 **General Assembly** early bird registration is now open; rates increase May 1. The conference is in Columbus, Ohio, and First UU Detroit will have great representation this year. We have one potential candidate to represent First UU as a delegate: Danny Rebb. If anyone else is interested in becoming a GA delegate, please contact Nominating Committee Chair, Marsha Bruhn.



*In  
Loving  
Memory*



Julia Leedle (a/k/a Julia Spillman), a long-time First UU member, passed away on February 15, 2016.

Julia was an ardent peace activist and one who worked hard at promoting respect and friendship among the various races and ethnicities in Detroit. She was an active member of The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and the NAACP, among other groups. At church, she was a leading member of the Red Door Players, acting and directing in several major productions.

Julia's sister, Barbara Dane, has shared a memory of Julia's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday party at the church. Julia was celebrated with a concert, directed and organized by Bill Meyer, one of Detroit's best known musical stalwarts. It was an amazing event, attended by former City Council president Erma Henderson, singers Martha Reeves and Josh White, Jr., and several other officials and artists including fellow actor Pete de Georgio, who read a beautiful tribute to Julia.

Julia attended First UU in the 1960s or 1970s until 1999, when she moved to California to be near her daughters. We offer our condolences to her family.



## *Calendar: First UU Church Detroit*

**All events take place at First UU Detroit, 4605 Cass, unless otherwise indicated**

<http://www.1stuu.org/calendar>

### **Sunday, April 3**

9:00am: *Choir Practice* – Chancel

11:00am: *Worship Service: "On Stewardship"* (Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray) – Sanctuary

12:30pm: *Introduction to First Church* – Narthex

### **Wednesday, April 6**

6:00pm: *Social Justice Committee* – Parlor

7:00pm: *Singing Circle* – Social Hall

### **Sunday, April 10**

9:00am: *Center for Progressive leadership training* – Social Hall

9:00am: *Choir Practice* – Chancel

11:00am: *Worship Service "Competition or Community? Humanizing Schooling in Detroit and Beyond"* (Joel Berger, Detroit Public Schools teacher) – Sanctuary

11:45pm: *New Member Sunday* – Sanctuary

12:00pm: *Potluck* – Parlor

12:30pm: *Presentation to Congregation on Settled Minister Search* (Rev. Barbara Child) – Sanctuary

2:00pm: *Meeting of Governing Board and Rev. Barbara Child* – Parlor

### **Wednesday, April 13**

7:00pm: *Singing Circle* – Social Hall

7:00pm: *Board Meeting* – Whole Foods Community Room, 115 Mack Ave at John R – Detroit

### **Saturday, April 16: Centennial Celebration**

2:00pm: *Historic Bus & Bike Tour* – Forest Parking Lot

5:30pm: *Celebration Dinner* – Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant, 511 W Canfield St, Detroit

### **Sunday, April 17: Centennial Celebration**

9:00am: *Choir Practice* – Chancel

11:00am: *Centennial Worship Service "A Century at Cass and Forest"* (Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray) – Sanctuary

12:30pm: *Celebratory Centennial Lunch* – Social Hall

### **Monday, April 18**

7:30pm: *Amnesty International* – Parlor

### **Wednesday, April 20**

7:00pm: *Worship Committee* – Parlor

7:00pm: *Singing Circle* – Social Hall

### **Sunday, April 24**

11:00am: *Worship Service "Prejudice and Difference"* (Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray)

### **Wednesday – April 27**

6:00pm: *Vespers* – Parlor

7:00pm: *Singing Circle* – Social Hall

### **Friday, April 29—Sunday, May 1**

*MidAmerica Regional Assembly* – InterContinental Crowne Plaza-St Paul Riverfront, 11 East Kellogg Blvd, St Paul, MN



*First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit, which has a long history of activism and is an affirming and welcoming congregation, is an urban center for spiritual renewal and social justice, whose members strive to liberate truth, radiate kindness and love courageously. We are a proud member of the Cass Corridor Commons.*

### FIRST UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF DETROIT

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email us at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org), or give us  
a call at (313) 833-9107.

## *Church Announcements*

### **Message Topics**

Remember, the Worship Committee is always open to new ideas for speakers and for sermon topics, either in terms of texts and sources, or in terms of topics. If you have an idea for a speaker or a sermon, please do feel free to share it: [worship@1stuu.org](mailto:worship@1stuu.org).

### **Weekly Order of Service Deadline**

Have an item/event to be included in our weekly Order of Service? We'll do our best to include it, although printed materials have significant space limitations. Send your information to [office@1stuu.org](mailto:office@1stuu.org) by **12:00 pm Thursday**.

### **May Newsletter Deadline**

Friday, May 20th  
Next issue covers May 1—May 31, 2016  
No submissions accepted after the deadline.  
Send items to [office@1stuu.org](mailto:office@1stuu.org)