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Upcoming Sermon Schedule

November 6th — "Justice and Compassion"

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray Continuing this sermon series over the course of several months, we are exploring and meditating upon the Seven Principles upon which the Unitarian Universalist Association bases its relationships. The Second Principle of the UUA is that of "Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations."

November 13th — "After the Election"

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray The first week after the elections, our country will have a better sense of the next steps in our nation's 240 year history. We will know not only who our next President will be, but also the results for the House and Senate. Emerging from a rancorous campaign season that has turned political parties upside down, how do we reaffirm an America which seems more divided than ever? How can we speak a unifying message of hope into this situation?

November 20th — "Food Justice: Challenges and Possibilities" Malik Kenyatta

Malik Kenyatta Yakini is a founder and the Executive Director of the Detroit Black Community Food Security Network (DBCFSN). DBCFSN operates a seven-acre urban farm and is spearheading the opening of a co-op grocery store in Detroit's North End. Yakini views the "good food revolution" as part of the larger movement for freedom, justice and equality. He has an intense interest in contributing to the development of an international food sovereignty movement that embraces Black communities in the Americas, the Caribbean and Africa.

November 27th — "White Silence"

Kim Redigan

Kim Redigan is the Vice-Chair of the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights, Secretary of Pax Christi Michigan's State Council, and on the Coordinating Committee of the Detroit Area Peace and Justice Network, where she represents Meta Peace Team (formerly Michigan Peace Team), and the Detroit Catholic Worker.



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About Us ...

UU DETROIT IS A MEMBER OF THE UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONS – <u>WWW.UUA.ORG</u> – IN THE MIDAMERICA REGION – <u>WWW.MIDAMERICAUUA.ORG</u>

We are creating spirituality and community beyond boundaries, working for more justice and more love in our own lives and in the world; we practice radical hospitality.



The symbol of our faith is a Flaming Chalice.



We affirm and promote seven Principles.

We welcome you as individual people,

embracing differences of sexual orientation, gender and its expression, religious background, marital status, family structure, age, mental and physical health and ability, racial and cultural

identity or background, and educational and socioeconomic status.

We have been at the corner of Cass and Forest for a century ... our Universalist and Unitarian roots in Detroit go back 185 years.



Our Vision

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

Our Mission

First Unitarian-Universalist Church strives to be an expanding transformative community whose mission is to liberate truth, radiate kindness, and love courageously.



FIRST UNITARIAN -UNIVERSALIST CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2016–2017

OFFICERS:

President Kathe Stevens Vice President Dan Wiest

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> Board Secretary Danny Rebb

> > Treasurer Bob Lauer

TRUSTEES-AT-LARGE:

Dan Hale Sydney Schaaf Nathan Strickland, Jr. Dave Vailliencourt

STAFF:

Interim Minister The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

> Music Director Todd Ballou

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR Alexis Mitchell

Social Hour Coordinator Humphrey Blakemore

WORSHIP SERVICE EVERY SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM



Letter from the President ...

Greetings to the UU Detroit community!

I'm going to use the bully pulpit (I feel it's appropriate since the whole congregation was invited) to thank everyone who made the wedding of **Joel Batterman** and **Julie Brock** such a meaningful and joyous celebration.

Danny Rebb, who has been deep in the trenches at UU Detroit for many years, has had to step back from one of his roles: Chair of our Planning Committee. Danny's leadership will be missed as we search for a new chair for the committee.

Our second annual congregational planning retreat was held on Saturday, October 22. Many thanks to the Planning Committee for organizing the retreat: **Bill Dickinson**, **Deanna McGraw**, **Dan Hale**, and **Sally Borden**, *ad hoc* members: me and **Rev. Murray**, and, of course, Danny.

An unavoidable conflict arose the same day as the retreat but the 12 participants who were able to attend crafted our goals for 2017 with serious contemplation, respectful discourse, and gusto. I was grateful to very new UU Detroit members **Christi Curtin**, **Steve Curtin**, and Bill Dickinson, who injected fresh perspectives, and to old members **Art Gabhart**, Dan Hale, **Bob Lauer**, **Glenn Maxwell**, Deanna McGraw, **Nate Strickland**, **Jr.**, and **Dave Vailliencourt**, who added historical context. And of course, Rev. Murray, who led the retreat.

Special thanks to Bill, Glenn, and Rev. Murray, who brought the most important component of the retreat, food and beverages; and to Deanna, who made sure we had cups, plates and utensils so we could consume our breakfast. Another special thank you to **Community Health Awareness Group** (Nate's employer) for use of the conference room and for supplying a hot breakfast! A huge shout-out to Glenn, who always has my back, and gathered and transported paper, pens, easels, and all the other items that we needed at the retreat to help to finalize our 2017 goals. Oh, and he made coffee, an essential ingredient at a UU meeting.

Of the six goals proposed at the leadership retreat in August, three were selected to move forward for 2017. Those three goals will come to the board for approval at its November 10 meeting and we'll roll out the goals, objectives, and action steps at our December congregational meeting.

And we're not through with our 2016 plan! Check out the Third Quarter Report at: <u>http://lstuu.org/Governance/2016 3rd_Quarter_Strategic_Plan_Report.pdf</u>.

At the retreat, **Sharon Mills**, a member of the Settled Minister Search Committee, gave a brief preliminary overview of the results of the congregational survey which had just been completed and tallied. Thanks to the hard work of Sharon and Nate Srickland, Jr., the final results are posted on our website, see <u>page 5</u> for more details. The SMSC continues its hard work on the process to find a settled minister for UU Detroit.

Much appreciation to all of you. You nourish my spirit.

best ... Kathe

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Settled Minister Search Committee

The Ministerial Search Committee has completed its compilation of the data from our **2016 Congregational Survey** and the results are now available for viewing. These results reflect our concerns, priorities, and our visions for the future of this church, as well as the qualities we'd like in our new minister.

Thank you, thank you, for your outstanding response! We received 77 surveys, many of which had to be entered manually into our database. This was an exacting and time-consuming process, and we appreciate your patience.

The results of these surveys were emailed to the UU Detroit listserv on October 26. If you are a member of our listserv, you will have received the email with the survey results attached.

The survey is also available on the UU Detroit website:

http://1stuu.org/Ministerial/2016_UU_Detroit_Congregational_Survey_Results.pdf

If you would like a paper copy please see our Office Administrator, Alexis Mitchell, in the church office. Alexis will print a copy for you. You may also email Alexis at office@1stuu.org and let her know that you would like her to print a copy; it will be waiting for you when you get to church.



Editor's note: please take a moment to give your appreciation to Sharon Mills, Nathan Strickland, Jr., and Bill McKnight of the Settled Minister Search Committee for their diligence in creating, distributing and assembling the survey. We now know what you think! It will be helpful as we move through the process of selecting a settled minister.



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Quarterly Financial Report

Report from Finance Committee for the Quarter ended Sept 30, 1016

The Church financial position continues to be strong through the first quarter of the fiscal year. For the period of July 1 through September 30, 2016, income from all sources is just slightly under budget do to timing of some non-church income. Donations from all sources are slightly favorable to where we budgeted for this quarter.

Expenses are running more than 10% below budget for the first quarter. This may be due to timing also as expenses for committees and building maintenance are not incurred evenly throughout the year. While we're well under at the moment we can expect expenses to increase during the year.

We have made excellent progress on extinguishing prior period liabilities. At this point we are waiting to get final pay-off figures for the pension liability and will pay that as soon as we have a final number.

Summarized Statement of Operation:

Income	
Donations	\$ 28,174
Social Hour	347
Parking	3,172
Other	112
Total Income	\$ 31,805
Expense	
Staff, Music, and Worship	14,813
Other Committees	514
UUA, Mid-America dues	1,050
EMEAC	600
Church Trust	1,500
Dally in the Alley	450
Social Hour	169
Prior period liabilities	2,000
Admin, gen, and other	109
Total Expense	21,205
Margin of Safety at Sept 30, 2016	<u>\$ 10,600</u>

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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New Membership Committee Chair!

Dessa Cosma is now the Chair of the M e m b e r s h i p Committee.

I am excited to be the chair of the Membership Committee. After a several year leadership hiatus here at UU Detroit, it feels good to return to a role that allows me to give back to our current congregation, while helping welcome new people who will take us into the future as an even better, more vibrant and loving community.

As I begin my tenure in this role, I cannot help but think back to when I first came to our church. Nearly 10 years ago, after having lived in Detroit for just a few months, I decided to get back into going to church after a break in college. Immediately I felt at home-I grew up UU, as did three generations of my family before me. The sermon was excellent and the people so nice, that I knew I'd found a place I'd be a part of for a long time. Although I haven't verified this with either of them, I'd be willing to bet that Sally Borden and Mary Lou Malone were heading up the Membership Committee when I first arrived. Each Sunday in coffee hour, still kind of awkward for me as a

newcomer, they greeted and sat with me, letting me know in so many ways that I was not only welcome, but cherished as a new addition to the family. Most of my earliest memories at UU Detroit are of their overflowing hospitality.

Great sermons, friendly people, and a loving community. I suspect that a visitor wandering in now, in 2016, would probably have the same reaction I did 10 years ago. I hope that in the future folks new to us now will look back and fondly recount our current membership team and the broader congregation greeting them with open arms and warm hearts. I'm honored to be in a position that requires me to meet new and returning visitors and to help them see first hand what a wonderful congregation we are. — Dessa

Introduction to UU Detroit

To learn more about the history and philosophy of UU Detroit, please join us November 6th or December 4th, at 12:30 PM.

Membership Book Signings

If you have made the decision to become a member of UU Detroit, our next book signings will be November 13th and December 11th. Please contact Dessa if you have any questions:

dessacosma@gmail.com.



Policies and Procedures ...

SO, YOU'VE BEEN WONDERING ABOUT UU DETROIT'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES?

Featured policy and procedure of the month: Bentley Historical Library Donations

In June 2016, your Board of Trustees approved a <u>Policies and Procedures</u> <u>Manual</u>. The need for a manual became apparent from several different sources as diverse as the Planning Committee to our staff, from individual congregants to the Board itself. The P&P may be found on the first page of our website, 1stuu.org. Click on any title in the Table of Contents in the manual to go directly to that policy.

We're going to feature a summary of a P&P every month in the newsletter so you may get to know how UU Detroit operates!

— Planning Committee

POLICY STATEMENT: Official records of UU Detroit shall be reviewed periodically and significant documents shall be donated to the Bentley Historical Library at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

The background, as set out in the P&P, is that in May 2011, UU Detroit donated its buildings and property to the East Michigan Environmental Council. Due to new space constrictions, we had to find a location to store our archives.

An *ad hoc* team researched storage options and the University of Michigan-Bentley Historical Library (BHL) was selected because it had the capacity to maintain the archives — the earliest of which go back to 1850 — in a climate-controlled, contained, and protected environment.

In 2013 a Gift Agreement was executed

between UU Detroit and BHL, the records were donated, and BHL subsequently cataloged the archives, which are searchable electronically on its website. The original donation of documents comprised 22 boxes, one oversize box, and one oversize folder.

We expect to periodically donate additional records to the BHL. The procedures, which comprise the remainder of the policy, outline what records and types of files the BHL accepts.

We retain full access to the physical archives and hold the copyright. As the donating organization, we are entitled to free photocopies of the records being held at the BHL.

To prepare for this year's centennial celebrations, intrepid UU Detroit researchers paid several visits to the records!

You may view the catalog of our records at:

http://quod.lib.umich.edu/cgi/f/findaid/findaid-idx?c=bhlead;idno=umich-bhl-2014057



Standing Church Announcements and Events ...

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SINGING CIRCLE

Singing Circle is held every Wednesday at 7:00 PM; open to all. Contact Gwen Foss at bookdoctorgwen@gmail.com for more details.

VESPERS

Vespers runs from 6:00 - 7:00 PM on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Parlor. NOTE: FOR NOVEMBER WE WILL MEET ON THE 5TH WEDNESDAY — NOVEMBER 30TH. See our website for more information: http://lstuu.org/Worship/ vespers/.vespers.php.

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.

BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings are held from **7:00 - 9:00 PM**. on the second Thursday of each month at the Whole Foods Community Room. The dates of the next two meetings are **November 10** and **December 8**.

All are welcome at Board meetings. Whole Foods Market is located at 115 Mack Ave (corner of 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**, Secretary to the Board, at <u>secretary@1stuu.org</u>.

SUNDAYS AT UU DETROIT

FIRST SUNDAYS:"INTRO TO UU DETROIT"

Are you new to the Church, or just interested in learning more about our Church and tradition? The "Intro to UU Detroit" 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 Unitarian Universalist tradition as a whole, and a second goal is to focus specifically on the history and traditions of UU Detroit. 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 SUNDAYS: POTLUCK

Time to break out your best recipe and bring it to church to share with our UU Detroit community! As we add new members, it's 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.

SECOND SUNDAYS: NETWORKING

All congregants are invited to bring and share your personal business cards for distribution on the second Sunday of the month. Many of us would certainly like to be able to support businesses of fellow church members and if you feel the same, here is an opportunity to do just that.



Standing Church Announcements and Events ... cont'd

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 UU Detroit on the **3rd Monday** of every month at **7:30 PM** in the Parlor. Contact **Dan Wiest** at <u>dfwiest@comcast.net</u> for more information.

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 to provide a network for communication and support. Other Care Committee members are Sally Borden, Linda Daraa, Edie McKnight, and Nathan Strickland, Jr.

CHILD CARE

Child care is available during Sunday worship service in a bright, cheerful room in the back of the Church, off the Narthex. See **Sally Borden** or **Richard Hillier** for details.

YOUNG ADULTS ACTIVITIES

Visit the UU Detroit Young Adults Group Facebook page to learn about activities, <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/</u> <u>young1stuu/</u>, or contact **Aletha Oberdier** at <u>alethafaye@gmail.com</u> 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, Office see our Administrator. Alexis Mitchell. after the service, or send an email to webmaster@1stuu.org!



SHARE OUR FACEBOOK POSTS!

Facebook events are being created for sermons, Vespers, Membership activities, and other events. When you see a Facebook event about church activities, **please share it!** Help get the word out about what we're doing at UU Detroit.



Special Church Announcements and Events ... cont'd

BLACK LIVES MATTER

The Unitarian Universalist Association <u>affirms</u> "Every person has value as a member of the human family. The suffering caused by racism must be ended if we want to create fair and loving communities." One way our denomination formally supports the <u>Black</u> <u>Lives Matter</u> movement is through an <u>Action of Immediate Witness</u> passed at General Assembly 2015.



UU Detroit offers its support by displaying "Black Lives Matter" on the sign in front of our church. A <u>map of banners</u> on the UUA website includes a pointer to UU Detroit.

More information on the UUA's commitment to <u>multiculturalism</u> may be found on the UUA website. <u>http://www.uua.org</u>.

<u>Third Quarter Report — 2016 Strategic</u> <u>Plan</u>

We may be drafting the UU Detroit 2017 Strategic Plan, but don't forget we're still trying to hit the objectives on our 2016 plan. We've received reports about successes and challenges of the 2016 goals. On behalf of the Planning Committee, Deanna McGraw has incorporated all comments into a Third Quarter Report for the 2016 Strategic Plan. At its October 20 meeting, your board approved the Third Quarter Report. You may view it on our website, under the Governance link and <u>More Governance Documents</u>.

— Planning Committee

BOOK DISCUSSION

The Third Reconstruction: Moral Mondays, Fusion Politics, and the Rise of a New Justice Movement by the Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II with Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove.

Join us for a book discussion on Sunday, **November 13**, 2016, at **12:30 PM** in the Parlor. The book is available from the <u>UUA bookstore</u> or your favorite source for good reads. The church's neighborhood shop, <u>Source Booksellers</u>, has copies or can order them. We'll be using the UUA study guide to start discussion.

— Mary Lou Malone

Special Church Announcements and Events ... cont'd

NEWS FROM OUR FOLKS

To First UU Church members and friends:

I am so appreciative of the individual phone calls, and the card signed by so many members of the congregation, wishing me well after my recent surgery. Your thoughts have been a motivation to me and for me, giving this journey my best efforts to get well and regain my mobility, and I thank you for it.

— Don Scavella

LIVING OUR PRINCIPLES

Let's take a moment to reflect on the Seven Principles of Unitarian-Universalism:

- 1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- 2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- 3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- 4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- 5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- 6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- 7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

RHONDA AND ME

I asked my overly independent Mom, "Does it make you feel good when you help someone?"

"Yes," she answered.

"Then why don't you let me help you?"

No comeback (uncharacteristically).

I told Rhonda Rodgers that anecdote and how she helps many of us feel good by helping her.

She is also very gracious about being helped and, just as important, tells us when she could use some help--modeling traits I'm storing for later in my life.

And she and we know how to respect her independence, too.

My Mom passed in April 2015. I was numb and silent for a long time about it. One Sunday, something in the service started to bring up the squelched tears and sadness. As we filed out for coffee, I told Rhonda that I had almost leaned over to cry on her shoulder.

"You could have. That would have been alright," she said.

"I knew that about you," I told her." I knew it would be OK with you."

-Sherry A. Wells

 1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person; 		 5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large; 	
 2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations; 		 6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all; 	
 3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations; 	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.		7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.
 4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning; 			FIRST UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF Detroit – at the corner of Cass & Forest

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NOEL NIGHT COMING SOON!

Detroit's Midtown District, of which UU Detroit in the Cass Corridor Commons is a part, will host the 44th annual **Noel Night** on Saturday, **December 3rd**, from **5:00-10:00 PM**.

Our **Cass Corridor Commons** will join with over 70 other institutions, including the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Michigan Science Center, the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, the Detroit Historical Museum, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, the Detroit Public Library, and dozens of restaurants, retail shops and other area churches to open the Commons' doors to the public during this Cultural Center-wide holiday open house.

The Commons will feature performances by the <u>Cantata Academy Chorale</u> and <u>Thornetta Davis</u> in the Sanctuary, healing arts performances and workshops in the D. Blair Theater, and a swap market and craft-making in the Social Hall. Details about Commons activities are listed at #14 in Midtown Inc.'s <u>schedule of Noel Night activities</u>,

Other Midtown-wide Noel Night activities include horse-drawn carriage rides, holiday shopping, family craft activities and performances by over 200 area music, theatre, and dance groups, and other special performances.

The Young Adults of UU Detroit are organizing the third annual CommonUnity Coffee House in the Parlor. Watch for more information in our newsletter and in our Sunday orders of service on how you may volunteer to make the Coffee House another profitable and successful event.

We'll be organizing a Commons clean-up day so we may present our best face to all our visitors; the date and time will be provided soon!





Calendar

All events take place at UU Detroit, 4605 Cass, unless otherwise indicated View the UU Detroit calendar at <u>http://www.1stuu.org/calendar</u>

Sunday, November 6

9:00 AM: Choir Practice — Chancel

- 11:00 AM: Worship Service "Festival of Lights" (Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray) — Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM: Intro to UU Detroit Narthex

Wednesday, November 9

7:00 PM: Singing Circle — Social Hall

Thursday, November 10

7:00 PM: Board Meeting — Whole Foods Community Room, 115 Mack Ave at John R, Detroit

Sunday, November 13

9:00 AM: Choir Practice— Chancel

- 11:00 AM: Worship Service "After the Election" (Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray) — Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM: New Member Sunday Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM: Potluck Social Hall
- 12:30 PM: Book Discussion "The Third Reconstruction: Moral Mondays, Fusion Politics, and the Rise of a New Justice Movement" by the Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II — Parlor

Wednesday, November 16

7:00 PM: Singing Circle — Social Hall

7:00 PM: Worship Committee meeting — Parlor

Sunday, November 20

9:00 AM: Choir Practice — Chancel

11:00 AM: Worship Service "Food Justice: Challenges and Possibilities" (Malik Kenyatta) — Sanctuary

Monday, November 21

7:30 PM: Amnesty International — Parlor

Wednesday, November 23

7:00 PM: Singing Circle — Social Hall

Sunday, November 27

11:00 AM: Worship Service "White Silence" (Kim Redigan) — Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 30

6:00 PM: Vespers — Parlor NOTE DATE CHANGE!

7:00 PM: Singing Circle — Social Hall

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FIRST UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF DETROIT

4605 Cass Avenue Detroit, MI 48201 ... in the Cass Corridor Commons ...

Please visit us at <u>www.1stuu.org</u>, email us at <u>info@1stuu.org</u>, or give us a call at (313) 833-9107. First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit, which has a <u>long history</u> of activism and is an affirming and <u>welcoming congregation</u>, 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 <u>Cass Corridor Commons</u>.

Deadlines & Office Hours ...

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 <u>office@lstuu.org</u> by **12:00 PM Thursday**.

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Sunday, November 20th

Next issue covers December 1 — December 30, 2016

No submissions accepted after the deadline—send items to <u>newsletter@lstuu.org</u>.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR WORK SCHEDULE

Alexis Mitchell works every Sunday and occasionally during the week, as needed. Her hours are generally:

First and third Sundays: 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Second, fourth and, if necessary, fifth Sundays: 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM