Today's Music

Our hymnal contains no lyrics from Hosea Ballou, but the words of the opening hymn and closing hymn come to us from Hosea Ballou II and Adin Ballou respectively.

Prelude:  Fantasia in D Minor
           Georg Philipp Telemann

Musical Meditation:  Largo from Xerxes
           George Frideric Handel

Offertory:  Toccata in D Minor “The Dorian” BWV 538
            Johann Sebastian Bach

Recessional:  All Creatures of the Earth and Sky #203
            Music from Ausserlesene Catholische Kirchengesang, 1623

Sunday Sermons

1/13, TODAY, 11:00AM – “Hosea Ballou and Universalism”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister

One of the most important architects of the Universalist movement in America was Hosea Ballou. Today, we will explore his history and legacy, and finally answer the question: Is Todd Ballou, our organist and director of music, related to Hosea?

1/20 11:00AM – “The Radical King”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister

All too often, our vision of Martin Luther King, Jr. is of a religious statesman who guided a nation toward racial justice. But to see him in too antiseptic a way is to not recognize the full complexities of King, nor his genius.

January 13, 2019

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Order of Service

ENTERING
   Lighting of Candles
   Singing Together*  #1007 There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul
                      #1000 Morning Has Come

WELCOME
   Eric Gardner, Worship Leader

CENTERING
   Prelude
   Calling to Worship
   Kindling the Flame
   Opening Hymn*  #132 Bright Those Jewels

DEEPENING
   Silent Meditation
   Invocation
   Musical Meditation
   Reading
   Response  #123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)
   Message

RETURNING
   Offering
   Closing Hymn*  #166 Years are Coming
   Recessional

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for potluck and conversation.

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
FLOWER DONATIONS: Today’s flowers are donated by Jody Wise in celebration of the New Year.

TODAY’S GREETERS: Katie Hege and Toni Tront are UU’s greeters this morning.

SUNDAY POTLUCK: Today, join us for our monthly Sunday Potluck. Let us share fellowship and nourishment with the people who nourish us in return. Everyone is welcome! Also, member business cards will be on display during social hour.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: There will be a “Visitors’ Table” and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. Today, Dan Secrest welcomes anyone who would like to know more about our church and our congregation. Please stop by. We’d like to get to know you better!

ORDER OF SERVICE COVERS: We want to remind you to PLEASE PUT YOUR OOS COVER IN THE BOX ON THE RADIATOR AS YOU EXIT THE SANCTUARY!

RIDESHARES TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY: If you or someone you know could use a ride to church on Sunday, please contact the office with your location. Your availability will be published among our community to find a driver open to sharing a ride. Please contact the church office @ 313-833-9107 or email office@1stUU.org.

HONORING MEMBERS: A documentary is being made about former UU Detroiters Alice and Helga Herz, and it’s been selected as the Center for Independent Documentary's sponsored Film of the Month! If you have the financial resources, please consider a donation. If you have memories of Alice or Helga, please let Kathe Stevens know so she can connect you with the director, Betsy Kalin. Betsy and crew will be in Detroit February 15-18 to film and interview!

SKINNER ORGAN TOUR: After the church service, at 12:30 PM on January 20 in the sanctuary, Todd Ballou will lead a casual discussion and demonstration of the Skinner Organ. The program is free, and you are encouraged to bring friends and family.

CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC DISCUSSION: You are invited to participate in a Congregational Discussion about the 1st UU Church music program after the service today, at 12:30-2:00PM, the room to be announced. This is an event that happens once a year to identify new projects or improvements to the music program on Sunday morning. The discussion will be facilitated by Todd Ballou, but you can suggest the topics. Some potential topics may include the choir, congregational singing, congregational participation, song leaders, copyright compliance, or piano and organ maintenance. Last year, the value of volunteer song leaders was affirmed. Feedback or comments are welcomed at any time.

1ST UU DETROIT BOARD MEETING: The 1st UU Detroit Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting next Sunday, January 20, in the Parlor. Committee chairs, please send reports to the secretary, Nancy Shattuck at officeadmin@1stUU.org, by January 16.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: The Board of Trustees of First Unitarian–Universalist Church of Detroit has called a special meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, February 10, 2019, at 12:30 PM in the Social Hall. Most of the members of the Nominating Committee who were elected at the last annual meeting are unable to serve. The bylaws require the Nominating Committee to be filled by a vote of the congregation. Given the timing, in order to allow the committee to be functional as early as possible, this special congregational meeting will be held on February 10 to hold a vote to elect replacements to serve on the Nominating Committee.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: Lyn Scharret of New Center Pilates, who has offered to paint the women’s bathroom, needs one more volunteer to help get the job done. Contact Kathe Stevens pastpresident@1stUU.org or 313-675-1553 for more information. Also, consider signing up for the Sunday morning visitor table. It is about a 30-minute commitment on a morning you are already in church. Please call Deanna McGraw at 586-20205241 for information.