

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

January 29, 2017

“Reimagining Detroit

John Gallagher



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

Today's Music

Today our guest musician is Hannah Waterstone.

The recorded chimes that start the service were captured by Chuck Jonkey, known on the internet as the "Indiana Jones" of the Music World. The exact location is not revealed, but they are recorded in Russia with the title "Fortress Chimes" Note that they chime 11:00.

Prelude:	<i>A Little Night Music from Serenade No 13. For Strings (1787)</i> Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Musical Meditation:	<i>Imagining the Crystal Echo</i> H. Waterstone
Offertory:	<i>Bright Lights, Big City (1961)</i> Jimmy Reed
Recessional:	<i>Invention #8 in F Major</i> Johann Sebastian Bach

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The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator
Humphrey Blakemore, Social Hour Coordinator

Today's Ushers: Anita Jones Irene Brisson
Today's Greeters: Bill Dickinson Carolyn Lusch

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our **Greeters**.

Large Print Hymnals are available from the **Greeters**.

Please visit us at www.1stuu.org; email the church secretary, Alexis, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles
Singing Together*

#121 *We'll Build a Land*
#67 *We Sing Now Together*
#368 *Now Let Us Sing*

WELCOME

Dessa, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn*

#140 *Hail, the Glorious Golden City*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn*
Benediction

#1017 *Building a New Way*

*Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)*

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FLOWER DONATIONS

Today's flowers are given by Dessa Cosma In memory of her grandmother, Doris Hildrith Sauvageot Franklin, aka Nonnie. Who taught her granddaughter so much, including how to play one mean hand of rummy.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5: "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!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12:

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

This service is scheduled when Membership Chair Dessa Cosma is notified that we have a new member who wishes 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. Let Dessa know you're interested so we may welcome you properly!

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.

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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.

ESCALATING INEQUALITY TASK FORCE

The escalating inequality task force is sponsoring "A conversation about school funding in Michigan: Past, Present, and Future" on Thursday, February 16, 2017. The location is the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave, in Bloomfield Hills. It will be from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. The speaker will be Gilda Jacobs, President and CEO of the Michigan League for Public Policy. This will be the first of three events in this series. Tickets are \$7 for each event or \$15 for all three. To sign up or get additional information about this series, please see **Sharon Mills** or **Mary Lou Malone** during coffee hour.

Sunday Sermons and Events

- 2/5 **11:00 AM Sermon, "Mapping the Water Crisis"**
Speaker: Monica Lewis Patrick
Monica Lewis-Patrick, 50, president and CEO of We the People of Detroit, is African American and has lived in Detroit for the past decade. Deeply disturbed by the water crisis here in Michigan, Lewis-Patrick set out to provide daily essentials to those in need. She has helped low-income families and the elderly, from Detroit to Flint, gain access to clean water—something many of us take for granted.
- 2/12 **11:00 AM Sermon, "A New America?"**
Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
In the aftermath of the 2016 election, we have heard about a troubling rise in disturbing behaviors which many would describe as racist and anti-immigrant, including the national story that originated out of Royal Oak here in Michigan. Is this a new American reality, or is this indicative of who we were already?