First Unitarian-Universalist Church
August 10, 2014
In Praise of Memories
Mary Minock

Today’s Music

This week we welcome guest musicians William Baylis, piano; Jamie Dabrowsky, viola; Bob Koenig, cello; Sam Stanley, violin; and Ray Stone, violin. William Ballis is the music director of the UU church of Olinda.

Prelude: Sleepers Awake from Cantata BWV 140
Johann Sebastien Bach

Musical Meditation: The Girl With the Flaxen Hair
Claude Debussy

Offertory: Canzonetta from Sting Quartet No. 1
Felix Mendelssohn

Recessional: Sarabande from Holberg Suite op. 40
Edvard Grieg

First Unitarian-Universalist Church
Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director

Today’s Ushers: Bill McKnight Edie McKnight
Today’s Greeters: Paul Chislett Sherry A. Wells

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

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 – Marilyn Mitchell, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #336 All My Memories of Love

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading #665 Transcendental Etude
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #96 I Cannot Think of Them as Dead
Recessional

All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
**Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire #34**  
words by Hal Hopson, music Traditional English melody, adapted  
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1 Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all  
inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and  
hopeless gain.

2 Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,  
but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made  
whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are  
freed.

**Hava Nashirah #394**  
Hebrew Round  
*To be sung once through together on verse 1 (Hebrew words), then as  
a round with both verses*

1. Hava nashirah. Shirah alleluia! Hava nashirah. Shirah alleluia!  
Hava nashirah. Shirah alleluia!

2. Come, let's be singing. Sing alleluia! Come, let's be singing. Sing  
alleluia! Come, let's be singing. Sing alleluia!

**Now Sing We of the Brave of Old #107**  
Words by Albert M. Dawson

1 Now sing we of the brave of old who would not sell themselves for  
gold, yet left us riches manifold; Alleluia!

2 Of those who fought a goodly fight for liberty, for truth and right,  
their patient love their chiepest might; Alleluia!

3 Who, when no gleam did point the way, pressed ever on, by night,  
by day, and, spite of pain, did ever say Alleluia!

4 Who long the world's old sorrows bore and toiled and loved and  
suffered sore, and, being dead, live evermore; Alleluia!

**Reading: #665 Transcendental Etude**

No one ever told us we had to study our lives,  
make of our lives a study, as if learning natural history  
or music,

that we should begin  
with the simple exercises first  
and slowly go on trying  
the hard ones,  
practicing till strength  
and accuracy became one with the daring  
to leap into transcendence,

And in fact we can’t live like that: we take on  
everything at once before we’ve even begun  
to read or mark time, we’re forced to begin  
in the midst of the hard movement,  
the one already sounding as we are born.

Adrienne Rich

**Announcements and Events – August 10, 2014**

**Sunday Morning Coffee Hour**  
All are welcome to join us after the service in the Social Hall for Social  
Hour. Please remember that your donations to Social Hour make our  
hospitality possible.

**Vespers Wednesday**  
Vespers runs from 6:00 - 7:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each  
month.

**Milestones**  
If you have a milestone (joy or sorrow) to share, please write the  
message on an index card which you can find in the back of the pew in  
front of you, and place the card in the offering basket during the  
collection. If you are a visitor and did not get a chance to fill out one of  
our visitor forms on the way in, please write your name and contact  
information on one of these index cards and place it in the offering  
basket. Milestones and visitor names will be passed to the minister for  
sharing with the congregation as part of our closing circle.
**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 have any questions or would like to sign up, see Tamara after service or send her an email.

**Development Committee Meeting**

The Development Committee is meeting on Wednesday, August 27, at 6pm at the home of Kathe Stevens, 443 W Hancock, between Cass and Second. You may be able to find street parking or you may park at the church’s Pretnis parking lot and walk over to Hancock (two blocks). You must access Kathe’s home via a flight of stairs, so if you have mobility concerns please send your ideas via email, kathествens@gmail.com, or pass them on to a representative who can attend, or call Kathe at 313-675-1553.

**UU Outreach Strategy Webinar**

First UU has agreed to beta-test new outreach strategies for the UUA. Nearly 70 congregations and groups have already registered. We need one to three participants for a kick-off webinar on Sunday, August 24, 5:00 – 6:30 pm or Wednesday, August 27, 1:00 – 2:30 pm. For details and/or to participate in the webinar, contact Kathe Stevens, 313-675-1553 or kathествens@gmail.com. You can log-on to the webinar from your own computer or meet at Kathe’s house to view the webinar together.

**Discovering UU're Midown Scavenger Hunt**

You not only may Dally in the Alley on Saturday, Sept. 6, but you may join us for a scavenger hUUnt, to raise monies for First UU. Starting times will be 11am, 2pm and 5pm. You’ll be getting your clUUes via the Goose Chase app (which works with iPhones and Androids). You may make your own 3-person team or ask to be assigned to one. A student (with valid ID) is only $5; $10 for others. The Hunt is open to anyone in the congregation or wider community who loves a fun challenge. You must register in advance, on Eventbrite, for important information. For more details, see Joan Smykowski, Beth Bailey or Kathe Stevens.

**Share Your Voice - a sermon seminar for anyone!**

This eight session seminar is an opportunity to practice telling your story in a collaborative environment. Participants will develop a sermon which they may share with the congregation. The group meets the second and fourth Monday of the month at 7pm, beginning October 13. Space is limited and participants must commit to attend all eight sessions. Please contact Beth Bailey at elizabethbailey88@gmail.com with questions.
Church-Related Activities

8/10 New Members Sunday
Potluck—please label ingredients
**12:30-ish pm** Young Adults Get Crafty: Monthly Crochet Lessons for all skill levels. This month kicks off of our 'Crocheting Anatomy for Justice' program in support of the Ruth Ellis Center. Space is limited, contact our instructor Aletha Oberdier alethafaye@gmail.com. Classes are at Matt and Aletha's house in New Center.
Free Second Sunday at DIA and African-American Museum

8/13 Wed., 6:00 p.m. Vespers in the parlor. A special treat: Dunya Mikhail, an award-winning Iraqi poet, will be our guest. Join us to make her feel welcome. She’ll read some of her work and answer questions. Thanks to Nancy Nelson for suggesting her. Your host, Al Acker
7:00 p.m. Singing Circle-Open to all, Gwen at the piano

8/17 11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Regional Religious Progressives.” At First Church’s annual planning retreat we agreed that FUUD has a mission to provide leadership and support for the Detroit metropolitan region, for regional UUs, but also for regional progressives. We are the Chalice Church. How do we make that claim into a practical reality?

8/18 Mon., 7:30 p.m. Amnesty International

8/20 Worship Committee—the most fun and accomplishment one can get at a committee meeting.

8/21 Thurs., 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting at the Whole Foods Community Room. All invited to observe the gears and wheels that keep us moving forward.

8/24 11:00 a.m. Sermon, “The Social Lifeboat.” The “Lifeboat Dilemma” is a classic philosophical problem about how we make choices. Sound social policy requires clarity of thought in terms of our decision making criteria.
**12:30 p.m.** Getting Involved. Being part of First Church includes being part of a group, activity or committee. All friends, and our group leaders, are encouraged to attend to learn and tell about the opportunities.
**5:00 p.m.** UU Outreach Strategy Webinar