**Today’s Music**

**Prelude:**  
Sonata in G Major  
Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)

**Musical meditation:**  
The Mysterious Barricades (1717)  
Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

**Offertory:**  
Fantasia in D Minor  
Georg Phillip Telemann (1681-1767)

**Recessional:**  
2-Part Invention #14 in B-Flat Major  
J S. Bach (1685-1750)

*The mysterious title “Mysterious Barricades” makes for some fantastic speculation: Some have claimed this term was used by educated women of the 17th century to refer to eyelashes. Some have taken this a step further to indicate that the real “barricade” is a chastity belt. A face mask is a slightly more plausible theory: This piece comes from a collection of music associated with a stage production called “The Mysterious One” in which the performers wore masks. The title could describe the elusive, dissonant, and overlapping harmony or rhythm of the music itself. Pedagogically, Couperin was aiming to create a lyrical style, that can slow down and speed up gracefully. Perhaps the Mysterious Barricade is the intangible musical force that bends the tempo.*

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**First Unitarian-Universalist Church**

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister  
Todd Ballou, Music Director

Today’s Ushers:  
Bill McKnight  
Edie McKnight

Today’s Greeters:  
Sally Borden  
Paul Chislett

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

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**First Unitarian-Universalist Church**  
August 16, 2015  
**“Another Tale of Two Cities: Detroit and Cleveland.”**  
Robert Johnson

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

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**ENTERING**  
Lighting of Candles  
Singing Together*  
#100 I’ve Got Peace Like a River  
#159 This is My Song  
#116 I’m On My Way

Welcome – Sherry Wells, Worship Leader

**CENTERING**  
Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn*  #356 Will You Seek in Far-Off Places

**DEEPENING**  
Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading  
Message

**RETURNING**  
Offering  
Closing Hymn*  #121 We’ll Build a Land v. 3-4 only  
Benediction

*All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.  
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)*

Please visit us at [www.1stuu.org](http://www.1stuu.org); email the church secretary, Alexis, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.
**Announcements and Events – August 16, 2015**

**Governing Board Meeting**
The regularly scheduled August 12 Governing Board meeting has been rescheduled to Wed., August 19. The time and location remain the same, 7:00 P.M. in the Whole Foods Community Room. If you have any questions, contact Board Secretary Danny Rebb at secretary@1stuu.org.

**Developing Your Leadership Workshop**
Organizations are only as strong as the people who lead and manage them, whether you are a church, a nonprofit organization or a for-profit company. There is nothing more critical to an organization’s success than the development of its leaders: especially today as churches are continually challenged to identify strategies that help improve organizational stability.

Leaders are needed at all levels of churches. Your Planning Committee is pleased to announce a two hour workshop on leadership development to be held on Sunday October 4th at 12:30 at church. The workshop will be limited to the first 15 church members who register to attend. To register for your attendance please email Deanna.mcgraw@sbcglobal.net or call Deanna at 586-202-5241.

**New Member Sunday:** Sunday, September 13th
If you are interested in joining our congregation, please see Regina Weiss (regina.a.weiss@gmail.com)

**Chancel Flower Donations**
Today’s flowers are given by Marsha Bruhn In celebration of my many friends at First UU.

**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.

**Sunday Sermons and Activities**

8/23  **11:00 a.m. Sermon, “The New Religious America.”**
**Speaker:** Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
The United States often is described as a “Christian” country, but in fact this is perhaps the most religiously diverse country on the planet, while also steeped increasingly in a secular culture. How do people of faith respond to these changes in society, and what should a church that stands for social justice and religious liberty do in such a city?

8/30  **11:00 a.m. Sermon, “Flower Communion.”**
**Speaker:** Olga Klekner and Danny Rebb
Hungarian poet Olga Klekner will read new poems she composed specially for this service. Just as individual flowers form a bouquet more beautiful than the sum of its parts, our congregation formed by the covenant we share is better able to liberate truth, radiate kindness, and love courageously more than all of its members individually. Please join us for our annual celebration of community.

9/6  **11:00 a.m. Sermon, “A Theology of Work.”**
**Speaker:** Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
On the Labor Day weekend, we often forget why indeed we celebrate the American labor movement and the social and economic achievements of workers. In Detroit, a city synonymous with American labor, it is important to recognize how industry has affected American sensibilities regarding community and identity, and how communities of faith have been shaped, changed, and transformed by these shifts in society.

**Intro to First UU:**
Sunday, September 6th, 12:30pm, Memorial Hall
All guests and those interested in learning more about First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit are invited to attend following coffee hour.