

**Today's Music**

**Prelude:** *Prelude in G# Minor op 32. No 12*  
Sergei Rachmaninoff

**Musical Meditation:** *Ave Maria op. 53 No. 6*  
Franz Schubert/ arr. Noel Rawsthorne

This piece is a famous setting of the full latin text “Ave Maria,” but it was originally written as “Ellen’s Third Song”, from epic poem by Walter Scott, Lady of the Lake, and which was a prayer to the Virgin Mary that merely started with the words “Ave Maria.” The original translated text reads:

*“Ave Maria! maiden mild! Listen to a maiden's prayer!  
Thou canst hear though from the wild; Thou canst save amid despair.  
Safe may we sleep beneath thy care, Though banish'd, outcast and  
reviled –  
Maiden! hear a maiden's prayer; Mother, hear a suppliant child! Ave  
Maria”*

**Offertory:** *Choral No.3 in A Minor 1892 (Excerpt)*  
Cesar Franck

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

**Today's Ushers:** Felice Rizzo                  Carolyn Ludwig

**Today's Greeters:** Kathe Stevens                  Glenn Maxwell

**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](http://www.1stuu.org); email the church secretary, Tamara, at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org); or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

***First Unitarian-Universalist  
Church***

**September 7, 2014**  
***The Art of Breathing***  
**Reverend Roger Mohr**



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness  
Love Courageously*

**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\* #95 *There is More Love*  
#4 *I Brought My Spirit to the Sea*  
#162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*  
Welcome – Marilyn Mitchell, Worship Leader

**CENTERING**

Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\* #340 *Though Gathered Here to Celebrate*

**DEEPENING**

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading #441 *To Worship*  
Message

**RETURNING**

Offering  
Closing Hymn\* #6 *Just as Long as I Have Breath*  
Recessional

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

## Announcements and Events – September 7, 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.

### 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

- 9/7 **12:30 p.m.** If you have questions or would like to know more about the tradition and history of UUism and of our Detroit church, join us in the Parlor. Rev. Mohr and Joan Smykowski.
- 9/10 **Wed., 6:00 p.m.** Vespers in the Parlor. We'll revisit an old friend--Billy Collins--the former U.S. poet laureate. As for the music, you'll just have to show up to see. Last month had a great turnout for Iraqi poet Dunya Mikhail...let's do it again! Al Acker
- 7:00 p.m** Singing Circle. Join Gwen at a piano in the church complex
- 7:00 p.m** Board Meeting, in the Whole Foods Community Room. All welcome.
- 9/14 **New Members Sunday**  
**11:00 a.m.** Sermon, "*Progressive Missionaries.*" First Church is at the heart of an attempt to organize regional progressives into an active and powerful voice in Michigan. Want in on that?  
**12:30 p.m.** Potluck
- 9/17 **Wed., 7:00 p.m** Singing Circle with Gwen
- 9/21 **11:00 a.m.** Sermon, "*The Gift of Listening.*" As we build relationships and connections, we build power. But relationships depend on our ability to discern another person's interests. We have to learn to listen.  
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- 9/26 **Fri., 7:30 p.m** Curiously Odd Movie Night Robert and Kathleen are hosting a monthly movie night at their house. In Sept., we will show *What Dreams May Come* starring Robin Williams and Cuba Gooding Jr. After dying, Chris (Williams) goes to heaven and befriends Albert (Gooding). After Chris learns of his wife's suicide, he decides to rescue her from Hell. We'll provide popcorn; you bring your beverage. Our 2 cats are very friendly. Seating is limited, so please RSVP at 313-799-2667. We are collecting donations for 1st UU church.