Today's Music

Prelude: Sonata #3 in G major
Domenico Scarlatti

Choir Anthem: Live Your Dream
Music by Greg Gilpin
Words by Rumi, Lao-Tzu, and Henry David Thoreau

Musical Meditation: Nocturne op 9. No 2 in E Flat Major
Frederic Chopin

Offertory: What a Wonderful World
words and music by George David Weiss and Bob Thiele

Recessional: Morning Has Broken
words by Eleanor Farjeon, music Gaelic Melody

Sunday Sermons

10/21, TODAY, 11:00AM – “Thoreau”
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
Today, we will do a deep dive into Henry David Thoreau, whose writings on natural history and philosophy deeply shaped the humanist and Unitarian Universalist movements. We will discuss his views on civil disobedience, the Walden years, and transcendentalism. O yes, and I'll reveal the secret story behind my one and only visit to Walden Pond!

10/28 11:00AM – “Our Universalist Roots and Branches”
The Rev. Kalen Fristad, Guest Speaker
Reverend Fristad will be speaking on universalism as it relates to John Murray and Thomas Potter, the American colonies, and from then to the present. In this sermon, he will expand upon his "Universalism: Past, Present and Powerful" sermon given at First UU Detroit on 4/29/18. Reverend Fristad is a United Methodist minister, a member of the Unitarian Universalist Christian Fellowship, and author of the book, DESTINED FOR SALVATION: God’s Promise to Save Everyone. After serving churches in Iowa for 27 years, in retirement, he travels the country speaking on Universalism.

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Order of Service

ENTERING
Lighting of Candles
Singing Together* #52 In Sweet Fields of Autumn
Stand Up Now and Clap (see insert)

WELCOME Jody Wise, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #94 What Is This Life
Choir Anthem 1st UU Detroit Choir

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

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* #16 “Tis a Gift to Be Simple
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 Marsha Bruhn, who is celebrating Don Scavella’s birthday on October 24th.

TODAY’S GREETERS: Daniel Peters and Michelle Peters are UU’s greeters this morning. (They can offer a wakeup coffee!)

SUNDAY POTLUCK: Today we’ll be meeting in the Social Hall directly after service for a potluck to spice up the conversation. Everyone is invited!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: There will be a “Visitors’ Table” and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. Today, Sally Borden 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!

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS: All you voters, copies of the League of Women’s Voter Guide are available in the parlor and in the office today. Stop at the membership table in the parlor or in the office to pick up a copy.

UU DETROIT BOARD MEETING: The UU Detroit Board will meet today Sunday, October 21, at 12:30PM to 2:30PM, in the Parlor.

RIDE SHARES 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.

SHARE THE PLATE SUNDAY: Our Share the Plate recipient this Sunday is the UU Relief fund for the victims of Hurricane Michael. The Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) stands with its congregations which have been impacted by natural disasters such as Hurricanes Florence and more recently Michael. The UUA has established a Hurricane Michael Recovery Fund to assist congregations in repairing any damage, and to respond to the needs of their members’ and their community’s efforts to get back on its feet.

UUA staff is working closely with leaders in the Association’s Southern Region, to ascertain where the need is greatest and distribute funds efficiently.

The rules for the Share the Plate Sunday are as follows: Any funds received during the offertory that have no designation will be split 50/50 between our guest recipient and the church. Please mark in the memo area of your check or on the envelope as to how you want your donation to be allocated.

VESPERNS IN OCTOBER: Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 24. During her second sabbatical, Anne Gautreau studied Irish literature and folklore at Trinity College Dublin. After living in a cottage on the Dingle Peninsula for two months, she deemed Seamus Heaney her favorite poet and ever after enjoyed weaving his writing into courses she taught. She looks forward to sharing his exquisite words at Vespers on Wednesday, October 24, 2018.

In order to gain a sense of how life in Ireland shaped Heaney’s language, you may want to view an 11-minute video: Walking Tour: Seamus Heaney - The Music of What Happens.

Location: Henry Ford Village in Dearborn: 15101 Ford Road, Dearborn, MI, Library Reading Room. Enter via Great Lakes entrance.