Today's Music

Prelude: Toccata in D minor, BWV 546

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Old Castle from "Pictures from an **Musical Meditation:**

Exhibition"

Modest Moussourgsky

Offertory: The Gnome from "Pictures from an

Exhibition"

Modest Moussourgsky

The Nain Rouge, or "red dwarf", is a Detroit urban legend that originates from a mythical hobgoblin called a Lutin – or Lutine for a hobgobliness – or possibly the Algonquin myth of "Glooscap." Original legends tell of the creature being seen as a protector of Detroit, but, is now feared as the cause of Detroit's misfortunes over the centuries. Today, The Marche du Nain Rouge is a parade in the Midtown/Cass Corridor neighborhood that ends in a banishment ceremony ousting the evil spirit from Detroit. The Friends of the Nain Rouge and We Are Nain Rouge have protested the banishment parade, arguing that the Nain Rouge is not to blame for the city's ills.

Recessional: This is Halloween from The Nightmare

before Christmas

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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

Today's Ushers: Danny Rebb Anita Iones Aletha Oberdier **Today's Greeters:** Roger Zeigler

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

Large Print Hymnals are available from the Greeters in the back of the church.

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.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church **November 1, 2015**

"OK, Wasn't Halloween Just Grand?" Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray



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ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles I'm On My Way #116

Singing Together* #1012 When I am Frightened

#1024 When the Spirit Says Do

Welcome – Sherry A Wells, 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 Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #96 I Cannot Think of them as Dead

Benediction

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

Announcements and Events – November 1, 2015

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee

75 years of service deserves our support. A \$40.00 donation makes you a member for one year. A donation of \$125.00 or more will be matched by the Shelter Rock Congregation. You can make your contribution online at www.uusc.org or if you want to write a check today, I will mail them all to UUSC. – Mary Lou Malone

Committee Training

On **Nov. 8th** from 1pm-2:30pm, after service and the potluck, there will be a training on running a committee meeting and building a strong team in Memorial Hall led by Matt Friedrichs

Curiously Odd Movie Night: November 20th at 7:30pm

Movie: Curse of the Golden Flower

And you thought your family gatherings were tough? This story is an epic tale of Chinese royalty gathering to celebrate the festival of the chrysanthemum, but secrets and plots threaten to overturn everything. Simultaneously the most gorgeous and ugly film you will see this year. Contains martial arts and violence.

Thanksgiving Invite!

Robert and Kathleen Johnson are once again hosting a Thanksgiving day gathering at their house. Anyone interested in attending please RSVP by Sunday **Nov 22nd**. Please let us know if you are bringing a plate to pass. Dinner will be served at 4pm. Cats and dog will be in attendance too. So allergies take heed. Contact info:

Phone: 313 799-2667 Email: lilbunniest@gmail.com

Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Bob Lauer, in honor of Dia de los Muertos.

Special Congregational Meeting

There will be a special congregational meeting on Sunday, 12/13/15, at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary, to vote on a slate to fill a Settled Minister Search Committee. An update to the budget will be presented at the meeting as well as the roll-out of the 2016 Strategic Plan. No vote is required on either the budget or the plan.

Sunday Sermons and Activities

11/8 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Remembering All Souls"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
Earlier this week, on November 2nd, is the traditional observation of "All Souls' Day," and observance of those who have passed. While All Souls' Day was first instituted at the monastery in Cluny in 993 CE and quickly spread throughout the Christian world, people held festivals for the dead long before Christianity. We will examine some of the ways people have honored the dead across time and cultures.

11/15 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "The world on autopilot: To whom do we trust the future?"

Speaker: Robert Johnson

Who decides which way our future heads? Who do we trust to pick our path? Or are we merely letting fortune and short term considerations decide our path? And what are the ramifications of doing so?

11/22 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "My Journey in See Minor" Speaker: Lee Thume

We'll take a musical journey together. Lee Thume is one of five children, four of whom were born legally blind, during the Depression, of a legally blind-piano tuner. Lee will share with us how she worked at problem solving after getting her major in music.

11/29 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Thankings and Beginnings"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Many of us are just on the other side of celebrating

Thanksgiving, an utterly American holiday. What have we been thankful for in our lives, and how does being thankful open the doors for changes in how we live? This day marks the beginning of Advent, the Christian season before Christmas, and we will ask, as the "Christmas Season" of Santa and elves and brightly lit trees dominates our cultural consciousness, what Advent might mean for faith and for those who cannot help but observe.