Today's Music

Today we welcome back guest musician, Hannah Waterstone!

Prelude: *Cannon in D*

Pacabelle

Meditation: Crystal Echo

Hannah Waterstone

Offertory: Sonata in C-Andante movement

Mozart

Postlude: Gigue

JS Bach

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister Todd Ballou, Music Director

Today's Ushers: Margaret Beck Kathe Stevens

Today's Greeters: Glenn Maxwell Marilyn Mitchell

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

First Unitarian-Universalist Church November 23, 2014 Detroit Musings Part 2 of 3: Perma Detroit Kate Devlin



Liberate Truth ~ Radiate Kindness Love Courageously

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OUR ORDINARY ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles

Singing Together* #95 There is More Love

#52 In Sweet Fields of Autumn #118 This Little Light of Mine

Welcome – Sharon Mills, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* #209 O Come, You Longing Thirsty Souls

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn* #67 We Sing Now Together

Recessional

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

Announcements and Events – November 23, 2014

Today's Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker today is Kate Devlin, aka Perma Detroit. She heads Spirit Farm and Faith Farm & is an activist for community gardens and teaching locals to grow their own food. More information about Perma Detroit can be found online at www.facebook.com/permadetroit.

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. 2015 dates are now available!

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Child Care Coming--

We hope to begin providing child care during each church service starting in January. A great group of 1st UUer's have volunteered to help with the care and we will have a short training session before we begin providing the care. Alayana O. works with Head Start and is a great resource for this undertaking.

If you have any of the following items to donate to our newly decorated child care room, please let Richard Hillier, Alayna O. or Sally Borden know, but DON'T BRING THEM TO CHURCH YET:

- small kids size table and chairs
- a low shelf for toys that kids can reach on their own
- Boppy pillow and an activity gym for infants
- small play kitchen set (is usually a hit with kids)
- any toys appropriate for ages eight months to four years (larger Legos, puzzles with two to six pieces, toy cars, trains, Fisher price Little People, balls, stuffed toys and dolls)

We think we have a rocking chair and a changing table.

It will be great to see even more young children coming to church.

Social Outreach Committee Survey - DUE TODAY!

The Social Outreach Committee has drafted a survey to determine our congregation's interests and priorities regarding social justice issues. The survey is available in the church office or online. We ask that it be filled out and returned to Joel Batterman or Beth Bailey TODAY!

The Social Outreach Committee meets every third Wednesday of the month at 6pm. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Joel Batterman or Beth Bailey.

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Congregation Meeting

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Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to clean and update the Church Office. A date has not been set, however, the Building and Grounds Committee is looking for hard working individuals that would like to assist. You do not have to be a member of the Building and Grounds Committee to help. Please see or contact Tim Bailey at tbailey44444@yahoo.com.

December 14th Sermon

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