



# First Unitarian-Universalist Church

May 31, 2015

*“What does it mean to be from here?”*

*Julie Brock*

**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\* #38 *Morning Has Broken*

#356 *Will You Seek in Far Off Places?*

#118 *This Little Light of Mine*

Welcome – Dan Wiest, Worship Leader

### CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn\* #191 *Now I Recall My Childhood*

### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

### RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn\* #159 *This is My Song*

Benediction

*All are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, conversation.*

(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

### Today's Music

*This week we welcome back guest musician, Hannah Waterstone.*

**Prelude:** *Prelude #1*  
Johann Sebastian Bach

**Musical Meditation:** *Crystal Waters*  
Hannah Waterstone

**Offertory:** *Nocturne in E-flat Major*  
Frederik Chopin

**Recessional:** *The Harmonious Blacksmith*  
George Frederik Handel

### First Unitarian-Universalist Church

Reverend Roger Mohr, Minister

Todd Ballou, Music Director

**Today's Ushers:** Maysel Brooks      Danny Rebb

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

**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, Alexis, at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org); or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

## Announcements and Events – May 31, 2015

### Continuation of Essay Discussions

Please join us on today, May 31, at 12:30 pm, when the Welcoming Task Force will present a continuation of our discussion of essays from Dangerous Liaisons: Blacks, Gays, and the Struggle for Equality: Some Queer Notions about Race by Samuel R. Delaney (pages 259-289) and Cornel West on Heterosexism and Transformation: An Interview (pages 290-305). The discussion will be in the Parlor after the worship service. Please advise if you need a copy of the essays.

### UU Regional Picnic & Spring Gathering!

Our second annual Regional Picnic gathering will take place on Saturday, **June 6th**, 2015 from 10am - 3pm at **Shelter 9** on Belle Isle. Volunteer activity in the morning, and a potluck & BBQ picnic and games to follow. UU Congregations from throughout Southeast Michigan are welcome to attend! The planning committee is seeking volunteers to assist with setup/break-down, cooking, and activities (contact Aletha Oberdier, 248-872-3837 or [alethafaye@gmail.com](mailto:alethafaye@gmail.com)) and donations of food & condiments (contact Beth Bailey, 313-244-4796 [elizabethbailey88@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethbailey88@gmail.com))

### Intro to First UU

Sunday, June 7th, 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.

### Curiously Odd Movie Night -Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm

Virunga National Park, one of the most bio-diverse places in the world and home to the last of the mountain gorillas. Here, an embattled team of park rangers risk their lives to protect this site from armed rebels, poachers, and even corporations trying to wrest control of Congo's rich natural resources.

Join us at Robert and Kathleen's place (3479 Bishop Detroit) and share some popcorn while we watch this important work.

## Activities In and Outside the Church

- 6/7 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “What are we called to?” We have reflected on and thought about how where we come from shapes our voice and perspective in the faith. How are we called to use our prophetic and authentic voice? How can we call ourselves and our faith to be accountable to its proclamation that voices on the margin matter? How can we strengthen our wider Universal Web by standing both in and outside a place of privilege? If we know what it means to be from here, what are we then called to do? (Part Two of a Two Part Series)
- 6/14 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, Juneteenth! Join us for a special Juneteenth celebratory potluck following the service, including food and song. Bring your favorite Juneteenth dish to serve in the church house, a musical instrument for a jam session, and picnic blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the outdoors.
- 6/21 11:00 a.m. Sermon**, “Searching for Nannie B.” Accomplished author and academic, and First Church member, Nancy Owen Nelson, will celebrate the launch of her memoir, "Searching for Nannie B.", an inspirational search for her roots in Alabama and her lost grandmother, Nannie B. Chandler, who died giving birth to Nancy's mother, Nannie B. Nelson. "Searching" will be available for purchase during social hour following the service. All proceeds will go to the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit.

**A volunteer is needed** to collect money - cash, checks and credit cards, using the church PayPal card readers - at the book launch on June 21. See Nancy Owen Nelson. Thanks!

### Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Dan and Lily Secrest, in celebration of their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.