

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

August 10, 2025

"Your Brain On Music"

with

Jodie DeSalvo

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Ring the Bell

Welcome and Community Connection

Bill Bridwell

Prelude *Nocturne in E flat* by Chopin

Jodie DeSalvo

Chalice Lighting and Call to Worship

Bill Bridwell

Hymn #36 *When in Our Music*

Candles of Joy and Concern

Bill Bridwell

Prayer

Hymn#123 *Spirit of Life*

Reading *Whispers of Melodies* by Sotto Poet

Offering

Bill Bridwell

Offertory Music *Prelude* by George Gershwin

Jodie DeSalvo

Service *Your Brain On Music*

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Hymn #108 *My Life Flows On in Endless Song*

Benediction

Postlude *Rhapsody in Blue* by Gershwin.

Jodie DeSalvo

Jodie DeSalvo is a nationally acclaimed pianist known for her engaging performances that blend classical music with warmth and humor. A graduate of the Hartt and Manhattan Schools of Music, she has performed at Carnegie Hall and with orchestras across the U.S. and Europe. Jodie is also a dedicated educator and a longtime faculty member at Birch Creek Music Performance Center. Her popular Piano Talks series at Artis—Naples showcases her passion for making music accessible, meaningful, and fun.

Thank you to the Men's Alliance for service support and refreshments. Our flowers today were provided by Jan Pogue in honor of her husband, John Walter, who died in 2008. The flowers were grown by our daughter at her farm on Chappy. She loved her father deeply

Pastoral Coverage and Care

Rev. Vicki Hanjian will provide pastoral care. She can be reached at 508-696-8225 or av.hanjian@verizon.net

Need Someone to Listen?

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Vicky, your Lay Ministers are available to lend support to anyone in our USMV community in their time of need by being available to listen and offer comfort. You can reach them individually by calling: Jan Casey (508-942-3643), Bill Bridwell (774-563-8542), Kevin Longval (781-249-4712) or reach out to uu.society.mv@gmail.com

Worship Committee Announcement

The Worship Committee thought it would be of interest to our members to periodically attend other church services on the island. We know there are great speakers in the summer months at Union Chapel and we have been warmly invited to attend their final service of the summer season on **Sunday, August 31, 2025.**

Union Chapel will be welcoming Rev. Dr. Aliya Browne as the guest speaker. Dr. Browne is a board-certified clinical cardiologist who specializes in integrative cardiology at Martha's Vineyard Hospital. In addition to her medical credentials, she is a licensed minister and a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, where she earned her Master of Divinity.

Dr. Browne serves both at First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens in Somerset, NJ, and at Union Chapel in Oak Bluffs. She brings a unique and holistic perspective to her ministry, blending Eastern, Western, and spiritual practices into a practical, whole-body approach to healing and wellness.

If you cannot attend in person, you will be able to watch the service beginning at 10 a.m. on Union Chapel's YOUTUBE CHANNEL: <https://www.unionchapelmv.org/2025-live-stream> If you are able to attend in person, we urge you to arrive at 9:30 to secure a comfortable seat as they typically have a large number of guests who attend. I hope you will be able to join us for what promises to be a thoughtful and inspiring conclusion to Union Chapel's summer worship series.

Coming Events

Monday, August 11, 4 - 6 pm: Parish Committee (Zoom)

Wednesday, August 13, 5:30 pm: Spirituals Choir Rehearsal at Stevens Chapel

Thursday, August 14, 3:30 pm: Beach Plum Zen at Stevens Chapel - All are Welcome!

Saturday, August 16, 10 am: Island Insight Meditation at Stevens Chapel - All are Welcome!

Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 am: "Can We Talk about God . . .?" discussion with Rev. Vicky Hanjian at Stevens Chapel

