

**Prairie Unitarian-Universalist Society**  
**Sunday, April 30, 1995**

**"Strike Up the Band! The Life and Music of George Gershwin (1898-1937)"**

Piano Prelude, from a Rhapsody in Blue (1924) Susan Hagstrom

Welcome Julia Bonser  
Lighting the Chalice Warren Hagstrom

"Strike Up the Band!" (1927) the Prairie Band, conducted by Doleta Chapru

"The Jolly Tar and the Milk Maid" (1937), sung by Nora Bosch, accompanied by Doleta Chapru on the piano, and the Prairie Recorder Consort, Richard Bonser, Ruth Calden Gary Giorgi, John Grindrod, Warren Hagstrom, and Al Nettleton

*Children leave for religious education classes*

"Lorelei" (1933) Paula Pachciarz, accompanied by Carl Wacker

"Mischa, Yascha, Toscha, Sascha" (1921) George Calden,  
accompanied by Doleta Chapru on the accordion

"I Got Rhythm" (1931) Emily Owen

"Foggy Day in London Town" (1937) Metje Butler, Mary Mullen, and  
Paula Pachciarz, accompanied by Carl Wacker

"Love Walked In" (1937) the Prairie Choir, conducted by Barbara Park and  
accompanied by Doleta Chapru  
(Singers include Kay Frazier, Paula Pachciarz, Rachel Siegfried, Mary Mullen,  
Aileen Nettleton, Metje Butler, Rosemarie Lester, Mike Sheehy,  
Bob Park, Warren Hagstrom, Mike Briggs, and Rick Owens)

"Let's Call the Whole Thing Off" (1937) Norma and Mike Briggs

"Our Love Is Here To Stay" (1937) Doleta Chapru

"S'Wonderful" (1927) Rosemarie Lester and Lee Burkholder

**From Porgy and Bess (1935):**

"It Ain't Necessarily So" Mike Sheehy, accompanied by Lee Burkholder

"Summertime" Barbara Park, accompanied by Aileen Nettleton

"I Got Plenty O' Nuttin'" Warren Hagstrom, accompanied by Doleta Chapru

"My Man's Gone Now" Kay Frazier, accompanied by Doleta Chapru

Reprise: "Strike Up the Band!" the Congregation

## Strike Up the Band!

We fought in nineteen seventeen  
Rum-ta-ta-tum-tum-tum!  
And drove the tyrant from the scene,  
Rum-ta-ta-tum-tum-tum!  
We're in a bigger, better war,  
For your patriotic pastime.  
We don't know what we're fighting for,  
But we didn't know the last time!  
So load the cannon! Draw the blade!  
Rum-ta-ta-tum-tum-tum!  
Rum-ta-ta-tum-tum-tum!

Chorus:

Let the drums roll out!  
Let the trumpet call  
While the people shout!  
Strike up the band!  
Hear the cymbals ring!  
Calling one and all  
To the martial swing  
Strike up the band!

1. There is work to be done, to be done!  
There's a war to be won, to be won,  
Come you son of a son of a gun,  
Take your stand!

2. Yankee Doo, Doodleoo, Doodleoo,  
We'll come through, Doodleoo, Doodleoo,  
For the red, white and blue, Doodleoo,  
Lend a hand!

## The Jolly Tar and the Milkmaid

There was a Jolly British Tar  
Who met a milk maid bonny  
He said, "How beautiful you are!"  
With a hey and a nonny,  
With a hey and a nonny,

"Such golden hair I ne'er did see,  
With lips to shame the cherry,  
Oh buxom milk maid marry me!"  
With a down and a derry,  
With a down and a derry!

"Our hearts could rhyme," said she.  
"Tis flattered I'm," said she,  
"But oh, ah me, You see, you see,  
You see, you see, I happen to be  
The mother of three;  
A wife already, and mother of three,  
Of three, of three, of three, of three,  
The mother of three!"

The Jolly Tar, he laughed a laugh,  
"Tis for the best, my bonny,  
That you won't be my better half."  
With a hey and a nonny,  
With a hey and a nonny!

"I near forgot on seeing you  
That I've a wife in Kerry,  
In Spain and also Timbuctoo!  
With a down and a derry,  
With a down and a derry!"

"You've got me thinking twice,  
Good-bye to shoes and rice,  
For oh, ah me, Just now, you see,  
Just now, you see, I happen to be  
The husband of three, of three  
A-spliced already and husband of three,  
Of three, of three, of three,  
The husband of three!"