

### Today's Music

<b>Prelude:</b>	The Supremes: <i>Where Did Our Love Go?</i> , <i>Baby Love</i> , <i>I Hear a Symphony</i> , <i>You Can't Hurry Love</i> , <i>You keep Me Hangin' On</i> , <i>Stop! In the Name of Love</i> Brian Holland, Lamont Dozier and Eddie Holland
<b>Choir Anthem:</b>	<i>Breaths #1001</i> Music by Ysaye M. Barnwell, words adapted from Birago Diop
<b>Musical Meditation:</b>	<i>Swing Low, Sweet Chariot</i> African American Spiritual arr. Joe Utterback
<b>Offertory:</b>	<i>What it Means (2016)</i> Drive-By Truckers-an Alternative Country/Southern Rock band based in Athens, GA, performed by Steven Curtin
<b>Recessional:</b>	<i>Black &amp; White (1956)</i> Music by Earl Robinson

### First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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

**Today's Ushers:** Jerry Williams     Danny Rebb  
**Today's Greeters:** Aletha Oberdier     Joan Smykowski

**Hearing Assistance** devices are available from any of our **Greeters**.

**Large Print Hymnals** are available from the **Greeters**.

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.

## First Unitarian-Universalist Church

March 19, 2017

*"Chaos or Community?"*

*The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray*



*Liberate Truth ~ Radiate  
Kindness ~ Love  
Courageously*

**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\*

#205 *Amazing Grace*  
#1018 *Come and Go With Me*

#### WELCOME

Sherry A. Wells, Worship Leader

#### CENTERING

Prelude  
Calling to Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\*  
Choir Anthem

#276 *O Young and Fearless Prophet*  
Todd Ballou, 1<sup>st</sup> UU Choir Director

#### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading  
Response  
Message

#123 *Spirit of Life* (please sing along)

#### RETURNING

Offering  
Closing Hymn\*  
Recessional

#125 *From the Crush of Wealth and Power*

*Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation  
(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)*

## Announcements and Events – March 19, 2017

### FLOWER DONATIONS

Today's flowers are given by Margaret Beck, in memory of her friend John O'Connor, whose birthday was March 8<sup>th</sup>.

### PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING – MARCH 19

Please join us for the Planning Committee's meeting today, at 12:30 PM in the Chancel. The Planning Committee has three major goals in 2017: to establishing and support a Social Justice Group(1), an *ad-hoc* Leadership Committee(2) and an *ad-hoc* Special Events committee(3). All three committees need members and support. Anyone interested in being involved in the three new committees are encouraged to attend today. – *Susan Morgan*

### BOOK DISCUSSION – MARCH 19

Please join us today at 12:30 PM, in the Parlor, for a discussion of "March: Book One," the first book in a graphic novel trilogy authored by Congressman John Lewis, in collaboration with co-writer Andrew Aydin and New York Times best-selling artist Nate Powell (winner of the Eisner Award and LA Times Book Prize finalist for Swallow Me Whole). The book is available in bookstores, including our neighborhood bookstore, Source Booksellers, or online.

MARCH 22 VESPERS will welcome back a favorite... **Ruby Jones** will bring words and instruments and share Goddess Chants and Circle songs. She calls it "Vernal Equinox Sing-a-long". March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM in the church parlor aka Memorial Hall. Please come and enjoy a respite in your busy week. – *Al Acker*

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

The Ministerial Search Committee is pleased to announce that a candidate for our Settled Minister has been selected for your consideration. A special congregational meeting has been called for **Sunday, March 26, 2017, 12:30 PM**, in the Social Hall for a vote by the congregation. YOUR VOTE COUNTS. It is imperative that you attend to help determine the future of our church.

## Announcements and Events – March 19, 2017

### CANVASS CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF – APRIL 9

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, will be Stewardship Sunday for our congregation. Once a year, we ask all members and friends to make a financial commitment to the church. The theme for the campaign will be, "Going Forward." We will have one meeting, during the end of Social Hour on April 9, to discuss our 2017 Canvass Campaign. If you are unable to attend, please see **Joan Smykowski** to pick up your pledge form. We appreciate your support and commitment to our church.

### ESCALATING INEQUALITY TASK FORCE

The escalating inequality task force is sponsoring "Part I: The Fall and Rise of Income Inequality" and "Part 2: Jobs in a Second Machine Age" on Thursday, April 20, 2017. The location is the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave, in Bloomfield Hills. It will be from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM. The speaker will be Charles Ballard, Professor of Economics at MSU and Lou Glazer, President of Michigan Future, Inc. Tickets are \$7 per event. To register in advance, see **Sharon Mills** or **Mary Lou Malone** at the Social Justice table during social hour. You may also register online with Eventbrite: ([tinyurl.com/2017Series](http://tinyurl.com/2017Series)) or at the door.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Nominating Committee is looking people from the congregation to represent us at the UUA's General Assembly (New Orleans, June 21-25) as well as the regional MidAmerica Conference (Kansas City, April 2018). We are also looking for people who want to take on a leadership role either on our board or on the nominating committee. If you are interested please contact **Matt Friedrichs** - [friedrichs.matt@gmail.com](mailto:friedrichs.matt@gmail.com), 301-928-4227.

## Sunday Sermons and Events

### **TODAY 3/19 11:00 AM Sermon, "Chaos or Community?"**

**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

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### **3/26 11:00 AM Sermon, "On Cornel West"**

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Cornel West, Harvard professor and one of the preeminent public intellectuals of our time, will be speaking in Grosse Pointe soon. As some of the members of our church prepare to attend this public lecture, I wanted to speak about the legacy of Cornel West, especially his flagship books *Race Matters* and *Democracy Matters*.

### **4/2 11:00 AM Sermon and Peacemaker Awards**

**Speaker:** Jody Williams, Nobel Laureate

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