

## Today's Music

**Prelude:** *South African Trilogy from "Songs of Protest and Praise from South Africa"*  
arr. Stephan P. Barnicle

1. *Siyahambal/ We Are Marching in the Light of God*
2. *Vula Botha/ Open Botha, We are Knocking*
3. *Bamthathal/ Speak out Loud*

**Choir Anthem:** *Breaths*  
Ysaye Barnwell

**Musical Meditation:** *A Pleasant Thought*  
Florence B. Price 1887-1953

**Offertory:** *Go Down Moses*  
Arr. Fela Sowande 1905-1987

**Recessional:** *Good News/ Ain-a That Good News*  
African American Spirituals

## First Unitarian-Universalist Church

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Interim Minister

Todd Ballou, Music Director

Alexis Mitchell, Office Administrator

Alyssa Bond, Social Hour Coordinator

**Today's Ushers:** Emma Velasquez Regina Weiss

**Today's Greeters:** Aletha Oberdier Sherry A Wells

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

**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*

**June 19, 2016**

*"Creating Ritual and Relevancy*

*Out of the Past "*

*Diarra McKinney*



*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 #1035 *Freedom is Coming*

#169 *We Shall Overcome*

#155 *Circle Round for Freedom*

#### WELCOME

Sharon Mills, Worship Leader

#### CENTERING

Prelude

Calling To Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn\* #172 *Siph' Amandla*

Choir Anthem Todd Ballou, UU Detroit Choir Director

#### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Message

#### RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn\* #153 *Oh, I Woke Up This Morning*

Benediction

## Announcements and Events – June 19, 2016

### Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Nancy Owen Nelson in honor of a great father, Roger Zeigler.

### Juneteenth Book Discussion:

Today, after service, the Social Justice Committee will host a discussion of "Between the World and Me," a meditation on race in America by Ta-Nehisi Coates, who Toni Morrison has called the James Baldwin of his generation. The book is available from local libraries, and also at a 10% discount from Source Booksellers on Cass at Canfield. We hope you can join us!

June Vespers will be on June 22 at 6 pm in the parlor (formerly known as Memorial Hall). As suggested at the May Vespers, the spotlight will be on the Summer Solstice, interspersed with music yet to be selected. Please join us then and there. Al Acker

### General Assembly, June 22-26

UU Detroit will have great representation at our national annual conference in Columbus, Ohio, this year. Because our church census is now over 100, we're entitled to three delegates at regional and national assemblies. Our delegates for 2016 General Assembly are Robert Johnson, Danny Rebb, and Kathe Stevens. There are quite a few other UU Detroiters who are attending. If you want to do some informal planning for GA, let's meet in coffee hour — just get up, ring the bell, and make an announcement!

### Committee Fair DATE CHANGE: July 17, 2016, 12:30 pm

Due to a conflict with use of the social hall, our Committee Fair on will be held on July 17<sup>th</sup> (not the 10<sup>th</sup>), after the service. All committee chairs, are reminded to plan to have a display. Members and friends are encouraged to be part of the Fair.

### Greeters/Ushers Needed

Volunteer ushers and greeters are encouraged to sign up for July and August. Please see Glenn Maxwell if you have any questions.

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### Settled Minister Search Committee

The Board regretfully accepted the resignations of Robert Johnson and Aletha Oberdier as members of the Settled Minister Search Committee. We appreciate their commitment to our community and understand that they must honor their commitment to themselves, as well. We wish Robert and Aletha well as they continue in other leadership roles at UU Detroit. The Board will be considering replacements for Robert and Aletha; we'll announce any new search committee members in the July newsletter.

### Child Care Needs---Small Toys and Volunteers

The Child Care Committee has had some success in providing child care during the service and wants to continue to improve and expand our service. Currently we would like donations of a few small toy trucks and cars, a few simple board games and large Legos.

We also continue to need volunteers who can periodically provide child care during the Sunday morning service. We provide care on an as needed basis so each of us takes a Sunday of the month when we plan to be in church to help care for young children whose parents/caregivers are attending the service. Then we find another child care volunteer to help with the care as the law requires that there be two people caring for children at all times in these circumstances.

If you can help with either donations or become a volunteer, please contact either Richard Hillier or Sally Borden.

## Sunday Sermons and Events

- 6/26 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Breaking Good"**  
**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray  
Two years ago, one of television's most popular shows, Breaking Bad, went off the air. Its central character, Walter White, on a descent into evil, is a fascinating study of human ambition and self-delusion over the course of its five seasons. We will examine what Breaking Bad might teach us about how to live well in a world that sometimes pulls us toward the worst sides of our natures.
- 7/3 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "'Give me your tired, your poor' ... Welcoming Refugees"**  
**Speaker:** Amnesty International  
This service will recognize World Refugee Day with speakers and assistance from several local refugee resettlement groups and Amnesty International. Come and see what we can all do to make this world a little better for refugees throughout the globe.
- 7/10 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "A Grown Woman's Tales of Detroit"**  
**Speaker:** Marsha Music  
Marsha Music will share from her two acclaimed essays, The Kidnapped Children of Detroit - about the mid-last century flight from Detroit, and Just Say Hi (the Gentrification Blues) - about the flight back to the city.
- Marsha Music, writer and poet, is the daughter of legendary pre-Motown record producer Joe Von Battle, and has life-long roots in Highland Park and Detroit. She reflects upon Detroit and its musical legacy in several literary anthologies and on her blog, Marsha Music – A Grown Woman's Tales of Detroit. She is a veteran activist and former labor leader, now dedicated to affirming accurate Detroit narratives. Ms. Music is a noted speaker, storyteller and a contributor to many oral history projects and films.

A self-described "Detroitist", Marsha Music has been acclaimed for her one-woman show, "Live From Hastings Street" and her essays, including "The Kidnapped Children of Detroit" and her epic poem, "Just Say Hi (The Gentrification Blues)." She is a 2012 Kresge Literary Arts Fellow, a 2015 Knight Arts Challenge awardee, and 2016 Ideas City Detroit Fellow. In 2015, her poetry was commissioned for the celebrated Symphony in D, which she read in performances with the DSO. Ms. Music is a dynamic presence in the arts community and widely regarded as a Detroit ambassador. She lives in historic Lafayette Park, works in the courts, and is married to artist David Philpot.