

Today's Music

Prelude: *You Are the Light*
Leo Arnaud

Musical Meditation: *Arietta*
Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

Offertory: *Triumphal March of Heritage (1996)*
Uzee Brown, Jr. (see below)

Commissioned for the inauguration of Dr. Walter Massey,
8th president of Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA

Recessional: *Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Round*
From Forty Negro Spirituals, Clarence Cameron White, 1927
Earliest recording by the Dixie Jubilee Singers, 1924

Uzee Brown, Jr., a native of Cowpens, South Carolina, and now a resident of Atlanta Georgia, worked closely as a student and colleague for almost twenty years with the late Wendell P. Whalum (Director of the Morehouse Glee Club). In addition to teaching at Morehouse College, Brown is a noted opera singer, composer, arranger, and orchestrator. He holds a doctoral degree from the University of Michigan.

Nancy Shattuck, *Office Administrator*
Omar Davis, *Social Hour Coordinator*
Julia Cuneo, *Child Care Provider*

Today's Greeters: Sherry A. Wells Jody Wise
Hearing Assistance devices and **Large Print Hymnals** are available from any of our **Greeters**.

Please visit us at www.1stuu.org; email the church secretary, Nancy, at officeadmin@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

February 11, 2018

"The Legacy of Howard Thurman"

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murrav

First Unitarian-Universalist Church is an urban center for spiritual renewal and social justice in Detroit

*Liberate Truth ~
Radiate Kindness ~
Love Courageously*

ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles

Singing Together*

#167 Nothing But Peace is Enough

#1074 Turn the World Around

WELCOME Worship Leader, Dave Valliencourt

CENTERING

Prelude

Calling to Worship

Kindling the Flame

Opening Hymn* *#67 We Sing Now Together*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Response

#123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)

Message

RETURNING

Offering

Closing Hymn*

#170 We Are a Gentle Angry People

Recessional

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for the monthly potluck and conversation

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

Announcements and Events — February 11, 2017

FLOWER DONATIONS: Lencha Acker donated today's flowers in celebration of Al Acker's Birthday on February 18.

POTLUCK AND NETWORKING SUNDAY: Please join us today for the monthly Sunday Potluck and conversation in the Social Hall. Also, member business cards will be on display (leave a card or take a card). Because EMEAC is hosting a Commons event today beginning at 3:00 PM, please be prepared to end coffee hour socializing by 2:30PM today so that we may respectfully share our common space.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: There will be a "Visitors' Table" and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. The "Visitors' Table" welcomes anyone who would like to know more about our church and our congregation. Please stop by. **We'd like to get to know you better!**

DETROIT REP OUTING: I have 19 tickets to the Detroit Rep play, *Dolphin Island*, a comedy about two displaced souls intertwined. The tickets will be for the 3:00PM matinee, Saturday, March 3. You're also invited to join us for dinner afterward at Shangri La, across from UU church. Tickets are \$15, with the church receiving \$5 for every ticket sold. I will have tickets at coffee hour or call me, Margaret Beck at 313 882 7775 or email me at margretbeck@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATE! Former UU Detroit Julie Brock will be ordained in our sanctuary on Sunday, April 22 @3:30 PM, followed by a catered reception.

VESPERS LOCATION CHANGE: On Wednesday, February 28th, at 6:00PM, vespers will be held at Henry Ford Village in Dearborn <http://www.henryfordvillage.com/>. Anita Ruby Jones will read from Dr. Gloria House's fourth poetry collection, *Medicine: New and Selected Poems*, accompanied by musical selections. Dr. House, also known by her African pen name Aneb Kgositsile, is a Detroit poet, human-rights activist, and educator. Please contact Dan Secrest at danielsecrest@gmail.com, or 313-580-7082, with any questions.

INTERACTIVE MEETING: TODAY, you are invited to an interactive meeting with members of the UU Detroit Board of Trustees and Rev. Murray, to take place during the potluck in the Social Hall after the service. Bring your ideas, questions and concerns. We look forward to seeing you there!

UU DETROIT SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION: We need your help to free the Rranxburgaj (rons-bur-guy) family, now in sanctuary at Central United Methodist. This Sunday, February 11, and next Sunday, February 18, Michigan United, through Glenn Maxwell, is asking UU Detroit members to write a letter to the Director of ICE Removal Operations asking for a stay of the deportation of Ded Rranxburgaj. Glenn will be providing information about the Rranxburgaj family at coffee hour, along with writing materials and suggestions for the letter.

Sunday Sermons and Events

TODAY, 2/11 11:00AM – The Legacy of Howard Thurman

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
During our recognition of Black History month, an important legacy to consider is that of Howard Thurman, former Dean of the Chapel at both Boston University and Howard University, and founding co-pastor of the Church for the Fellowship of All Peoples in San Francisco, the first intentionally inter-racial church in the United States.

2/18 11:00AM – Mass Incarceration for Profit

Abayomi Azikiwe
There has always been a monetary basis underlying the character of correctional institutions in the United States. From slavery, reconstruction, post-reconstruction to the privatization of prisons, the criminalization of African Americans and other oppressed peoples is clearly linked to the maintenance of the social status quo. Movements for social justice in 21st century America must embrace the struggle to reform law-enforcement, the courts, and prisons by uprooting the racial and class character of the criminal justice hierarchy. Abayomi Azikiwe is the editor of the Pan-African News Wire and a co-founder of several Detroit-area organizations: The Detroit Coalition Against Police Brutality, the Michigan Emergency Committee Against War & Injustice, the Moratorium NOW! Coalition to Stop Foreclosures, Evictions, and Utility Shut-offs.

2/25 11:00AM – The Womanist Movement

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
On this weekend that marks a transition from Black History Month to Women's History Month, I think it is important to mark the rise of the womanist movement, which differentiates the priorities of black women from those of the feminist movement, which tends to focus on the issues of white women.