

Today's Music

Prelude:	<i>Revolution (1968)</i> Paul McCartney and John Lennon
Musical Meditation:	<i>Two Wildly Different Perspectives</i> Father John Misty
Choir Anthem:	<i>California Dreamin' (1965)</i> John Phillips and Michelle Phillips
Offertory:	<i>We Are America</i> <i>God Bless America (Irving Berlin)</i> <i>This Land is Your Land (Woodie Guthrie)</i> <i>Lift Every Voice (J. Rosamund Johnson)</i> <i>Alhamdulillah (William Allaudin Mathieu)</i> <i>America (Samuel A. Ward)</i> <i>We Are a Gently Angry People (Holly Near)</i> <i>I Am Woman (Ray Burton)</i> <i>God Bless America (Irving Berlin)</i>
Recessional:	<i>This Land is Your Land</i> Woodie Guthrie

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: Regina Weiss Irene Brisson
Today's Greeters: Dave Vaillencourt Carmen Mendoza King

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; email the church secretary, Alexis, at info@1stuu.org; or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

February 12, 2017

"A New America?"

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray



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ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles
Singing Together* #95 *There is More Love*
#1021 *Lean On Me*

WELCOME

Dan Secrest, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #291 *Die Gedanken Sind Frei*
Choir Anthem *Todd Ballou, 1st UU choir director*

DEEPENING

Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Response #123 *Spirit of Life*
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn* #1028 *Fire of Commitment*
Benediction

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

Announcements and Events – February 12, 2017

FLOWER DONATIONS

Today's flowers are given by Dan and Lily Secrest in celebration of UU Detroit.

SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 12: POTLUCK

Time to break out your best recipe and bring it to church to share with our UU Detroit community! As we add new members, it's a good time to share fellowship and nourishment with the people who nourish us, in return. Remember that everything must come and go the day of the event – we have no refrigerator space to keep things beyond the immediate need. If you have dietary concerns (peanut allergies, and such), please do let us know, so that food can be labeled.

SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 12: NETWORKING

All congregants are invited to bring and share your personal business cards for distribution on the second Sunday of the month. Many of us would certainly like to be able to support businesses of fellow church members and if you feel the same, here is an opportunity to do just that.

FEBRUARY VESPERS

Given the current political climate and the proximity to Valentine's Day Vespers will feature poetry about all kinds of love except the Hallmark variety and some "lovely" music. It's all happening Wednesday February 22 from 6 to 7 pm in the parlor. Hope to see you there. *Al Acker*

BOOK DISCUSSION – MARCH 12

Please join us on Sunday, March 12, 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.

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ESCALATING INEQUALITY TASK FORCE

The escalating inequality task force is sponsoring "A conversation about school funding in Michigan: Past, Present, and Future" on Thursday, February 16, 2017. The location is the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave, in Bloomfield Hills. It will be from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. The speaker will be Gilda Jacobs, President and CEO of the Michigan League for Public Policy. This will be the first of three events in this series. Tickets are \$7 for each event or \$15 for all three. To sign up or get additional information about this series, please see **Sharon Mills** or **Mary Lou Malone** during coffee hour.

Sunday Sermons and Events

2/12 11:00 AM Sermon, "A New America?"

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

In the aftermath of the 2016 election, we have heard about a troubling rise in disturbing behaviors which many would describe as racist and anti-immigrant, including the national story that originated out of Royal Oak here in Michigan. Is this a new American reality, or is this indicative of who we were already?

2/19 11:00 AM Sermon, "On James Baldwin"

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

During this Black History Month, a request that came from a member of our congregation is that I speak about novelist, playwright, and social critic James Baldwin and his legacy.

2/26 11:00 AM Sermon, "Conscience and Democracy"

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Continuing our monthly series on the seven Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association, I will focus on the Fifth Principle: "The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large."