

Today's Music

Prelude: *Triumphal March of Heritage (1996)*
Uzee Brown, Jr. (SEE BELOW)
Commissioned for the inauguration of Dr. Walter Massey, 8th president of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia

Musical Meditation: *God Bless the Child*
Arthur Herzog, Jr.

Offertory: *The Four Tops Medley*
Brian Holland, Lamont Dozier and Eddie Holland

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

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.

First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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

Today's Ushers: Danny Rebb Irene Brisson
Today's Greeters: Sherry A Wells Dave Vaillencourt
Hearing Assistance devices are available from any of our ushers.

Large Print Hymnals are available from the **Greeters** in the back of the church.

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First Unitarian-Universalist Church

February 14, 2016

*"White Privilege/Black Pride and Never
the Twain Shall Meet"*

Satori Shakoor

**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 #321 *Enter, Rejoice and Come In*
#172 *Siph' Amandla*
#95 *There is More Love Somewhere*

WELCOME

Marilyn Mitchell, Worship Leader

CENTERING

Prelude
Calling To Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #125 *From the Crush of Wealth and Power*

DEEPENING

Invocation
Silent Meditation
Musical Meditation
Responsive Reading
Message

RETURNING

Offering
Closing Hymn* #1074 *Turn the World Around*
Benediction

Announcements and Events – February 14, 2016

Membership Book Signing: TODAY after the service. Finding your church home is a personal decision that may take years. If you feel you have found your spiritual home, please let Regina Weiss know. Your new church family looks forward to celebrating your decision at the Membership Book signing. You may find all membership forms at our website: www.firstuu.org.

Escalating Inequality: Let's Talk, 2016 Winter Speaker Series

Thursday, February 18, 2016, Hon. Marilyn Kelly

Thursday, March 17, 2016, Peter J. Hammer

At Birmingham Unitarian Church sponsored by 1st UU and four other southeast Michigan UU churches. The fee is \$7 for each talk. For more information or to make reservations, see Mary Lou Malone or Sharon Mills at the Social Justice table during Coffee Hour.

The February Vespers will be at 6pm February 24th in the Parlor and feature a newish church member ...here's what she says about her performance: "My Voice is My Instrument" - Anita Jones will share original songs and poems along with the story of her alter ego, Ruby Woods. She will sing acapella and bring along her bag of percussion instruments. Come and enjoy and relax.

Al Acker

Chancel Flower Donations

Today's flowers are given by Lencha Acker in celebration of Al Acker's 75th Birthday.

Membership Goal

The new membership goal for 2016, the year of our centennial in this building, is 125 members. We've already surpassed our goal of 100 members. We encourage all members to reach out, and invite friends to our services, programs and events.

Siph' Amandla #172

Music & words from South Africa

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(Zulu) 1. Siph' a-man-dla N'ko-si. Wo-kung-every-sa-bi.
Siph' a-man-dla N'ko-si. Si-ya-wa-ding-a.

1 O God, give us power to rip down prisons. O God, give us power to lift the people.

2 O God, give us courage to withstand hatred. O God, give us courage not to be bitter.

3 O God, give us power and make us fearless. O God, give us power because we need it.

Sunday Sermons

2/21 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Sisters in the Wilderness"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Womanist theology is the constructive theology of black women who offered strong critiques both to the often male-centric black liberation theology and the often white-centric feminist theology. The title of this sermon comes from the powerful book *Sisters in the Wilderness* by Delores S. Williams

2/28 11:00 a.m. Sermon, "Water: A Tale of Two Cities"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

The Michigan cities of Detroit and Flint have made international headlines over water issues, and both situations beg questions regarding political economy and race in America.