Today’s Music
1st UU Church welcomes back Hannah Waterstone as our musician today!

Prelude:  I’ll Remember April
          Don Raye, Gene DePaul and Pat Johnson

Musical Meditation:  Raindrops in the Spring
                      H. Waterstone

Offertory:  Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head
            Burt Bacharach

Recessional:  Spring Is Here
               Richard Rodgers

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  Danny Rebb
Today’s Greeters:  Paul Chislett  Dave Vailliencourt
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.

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March 26, 2017
“On Cornel West”
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
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ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING
Lighting of Candles
Singing Together*  #73  Chant for the Seasons (spring verse)
#348  Guide My Feet

WELCOME  Marilyn Mitchell, Worship Leader

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling to Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn*  #139  Wonders Still the World Shall Witness

DEDICATION of Bernice Mae Weidner, witnesses: Beth Bailey and Brandon Beauvais

DEEPENING
Silent Meditation
Invocation
Musical Meditation
Reading
Response  #123  Spirit of Life (please sing along)
Message

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn*  #1018  Come and Go With Me
Recessional

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation
(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)
FLOWER DONATIONS
Today’s flowers are given by Kathe Stevens, celebrating our vote to call a settled minister - and the future!

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 today at 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.

PEACEMAKER AWARD LUNCHEON
Next Sunday, April 2, please bring POTLUCK DESSERTS for an Awards Luncheon sponsored by the Wayne State University Center for Peace and Conflict Studies. Nobel Laureate Jody Williams and local activists Dr. John H. Hartig, Pastor Barry Randolph, Dr. Stan Levy, and Dr. Bernice “Bunny” Kaplan will be presented with the Max Mark-Cranbrook Global Peacemaker Award in our Social Hall.

CANVASS CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF – APRIL 9
Sunday, April 9th, 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 is “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.

There will not be a Potluck on Sunday, April 9 – the Canvass Committee will provide lunch so we may concentrate on the future! (Please see previous announcement about our April 2 POTLUCK DESSERT.)

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) or at the door.

Sunday Sermons and Events

4/2 11:00 AM Sermon and Peacemaker Awards
Speaker: Jody Williams
"Women Nobel Laureates Working for Peace," is the topic of the 2017 Max Mark-Cranbrook Peace Lecture and Sunday Sermon. The women's initiative has been led by Jody Williams, partnering with other women Nobel Laureates to build on their activism and achievements to further peace prospects in our troubled world. We will learn about the project's latest gains and accomplishments, as well as hear about Ms. Williams’ continued work in the field of eradicating landmines worldwide, including the global convention still to be signed by several major powers. This is a rare opportunity to welcome and engage with one of world’s the most renowned figures in peace activism.

4/9 11:00 AM “Going Forward”
Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray
As we consider the next steps forward for our church, this sermon will focus on the importance of continuing to build community, expand our programs, and commit our faith and conscience toward justice work together. We will talk about our hopes and fears, and how we can contribute to the common cause of the First Unitarian Universalist Church in Detroit.