Today’s Music

Prelude: Making Our Dreams Come True from the TV show Laverne & Shirley
Charles Fox

Musical Interlude: Money, Money, Money
music by John Bacchus Dykes, new words by Bill Donovan, 1992
General Assembly APF Song Book

Musical Meditation: Home on the Range
Daniel E. Kelley (1808-1905)

Offertory: Waka Waka, Anthem from the 2010 FIFA World Cup
Shakira, Zolani Mohala, John Hill, Dooh Belly
Eugene Victor, Ze Bell Jean Paul, and Emile Kojidie

The words “waka waka” are from a traditional African soldier song named Zangalewa and translates to “Do the job” or “Get the task done.”

Recessional: I Want to Hold Your Hand
John Lennon and Paul McCartney

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The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
Todd Ballou, Music Director
Nancy Shattuck, Office Administrator
Omar Davis, Social Hour Coordinator
Julia Cuneo, Child Care Provider

Today’s Greeters: Joan Smykowski Kathe Stevens

Hearing Assistance devices and Large Print Hymnals are available from any of our Greeters.

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April 15, 2018
“Pay It Forward”
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

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ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTERING
Lighting of Candles
Singing Together* #168 One More Step
#1018 Come and Go With Me

WELCOME Worship Leader, Marilyn Mitchell

CENTERING
Prelude
Calling to Worship
Kindling the Flame
Opening Hymn* #1064 Blue Boat Home
Musical Interlude Gwen Foss

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

RETURNING
Offering
Closing Hymn* When we Meet in Fellowship (see insert)
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 donated by Jodi Wise to celebrate the day.

COFFEE HOUR: We’ll be meeting in the Social Hall immediately after the service for coffee, cookies, and conversation. Everyone is invited!

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!

WWWP – WOMEN WALKING WOODWARD FOR PEACE 2018:
On Mother’s Day, May 13, at 8:00AM, the WWWP will gather at UU Detroit Church/Cass Corridor to walk south to Grand Circus Park and return to UU Detroit by 11:00AM (3-mile loop). Signs and Banners will be provided. Immediately following the walk, you are invited to attend a special service and potluck at UU Detroit Church. PLEASE BRING FINGER FOODS, ONLY - we will be celebrating in our small Parlor instead of in our Social Hall.

1ST UU DETROIT BOARD MEETING: The 1st UU Detroit Board of Trustees will meet today after the service, from 12:30PM to 2:30PM, in the Parlor.

SHARE THE PLATE SUNDAY: Our Share the Plate guest recipient this Sunday is the Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth (UUME). It envisions a world in which reverence, gratitude, and care for the living Earth are central to the lives of all people. Its purpose is to inspire, facilitate, and support personal, congregational, and denominational practices that honor and sustain the Earth and all beings. It affirms and promotes the seven principles of the UUA, including: “Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.” Although the UU Ministry for Earth has close ties to the UUA, it is a separate not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization with an independent Board of Directors. It seems appropriate that UUME be the recipient in the same month as Earth Day.

The rules for the Share the Plate Sunday are as follows: Any funds received during the offertory that have no designation will be split 50/50 between our guest recipient and the church. Please mark in the memo area of your check or on the envelope as to how you want your donation to be allocated. Share the Plate donations do not count toward your pledge.

Sunday Sermons and Events

TODAY, 4/15 11:00AM – Pay It Forward
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
As we enter the season of our church’s annual Canvas efforts, the minister will preach on the value of giving and stewardship.

4/22 11:00AM – On James Luther Adams
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister
James Luther Adams (1901-1994), longtime professor at Harvard Divinity School, Andover Newton Theological School, and Meadville Lombard Theological School, was perhaps the most important UU theologian of the 20th century. In this sermon, I will explore his biography and legacy to the Unitarian Universalist Association.

4/29 11:00AM – Universalism: Past, Present and Powerful
Reverend Kalen Fristad
The teaching of eternal damnation is not merely a harmless untruth that we might appropriately ignore and allow to stand; it has serious consequences. It leads to the possibility, perhaps even the inevitability, of wars, bigotry, oppression, and abuse. On the other hand, the teaching of universalism leads to equality, respect, love, and dignity for all. Reverend Fristad is a United Methodist minister, a member of the Unitarian Universalist Christian Fellowship, and author of the book, Destined for Salvation: God’s Promise to Save Everyone. After serving churches in Iowa for 27 years, in retirement, he travels the country speaking on Universalism.