

## Today's Music

**Prelude:** *South African Trilogy from "Songs of Protest and Praise from South Africa"*  
arr. Stephan P. Barnicle  
1. *Siyahamba/ We Are Marching in the Light of God*  
2. *Vula Botha/ Open Botha, We are Knocking*  
3. *Bamthatha/ Speak out Loud*

**Musical Meditation:** *Breaths #1001*  
Ysaye M. Barnwell

**Offertory:** *Waka Waka (This Time for Africa)*  
Shakira, Zolani Mahola, 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 Can See Clearly Now*  
Johnny Nash

### 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:** Mark Schwing      Sharlene Gage  
**Today's Greeters:** Maysel Brooks      Sherry Wells

**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](http://www.1stuu.org); email the church secretary, Alexis, at [info@1stuu.org](mailto:info@1stuu.org); or give us a call at (313) 833-9107.

## *First Unitarian-Universalist Church*

**January 1, 2017**

*"Poetry as Visionary Resistance"*

*Tawana Petty*



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

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### ENTERING

Lighting of Candles  
Singing Together\*

#1020 *Woyaya*  
*Praise, Love & Gratitude* (see insert)  
#162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*

#### WELCOME

Dan Secrest, Worship Leader

#### CENTERING

Prelude  
Calling To Worship  
Kindling the Flame  
Opening Hymn\*

#147 *When All the People*

#### DEEPENING

Silent Meditation  
Invocation  
Musical Meditation  
Reading  
Message

#### RETURNING

Offering  
Opening Hymn\*      #126 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
Benediction

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

**Umoja:**

*Unity* stresses the importance of togetherness for the family and the community, which is reflected in the African saying, "I am We," or "I am because We are."

**Kujichagulia:**

*Self-Determination* requires that we define our common interests and make decisions that are in the best interest of our family and community.

**Ujima:**

*Collective Work and Responsibility* reminds us of our obligation to the past, present and future, and that we have a role to play in the community, society, and the world.

**Ujamaa:**

*Cooperative economics* emphasizes our collective economic strength and encourages us to meet common needs through mutual support.

**Nia:**

*Purpose* encourages us to look within ourselves and to set personal goals that are beneficial to the community.

**Kuumba:**

*Creativity* makes use of our creative energies to build and maintain a strong and vibrant community.

**Imani:**

*Faith* focuses on honoring the best of our traditions, draws upon the best in ourselves, and helps us strive for a higher level of life for humankind, by affirming our self-worth and confidence in our ability to succeed and triumph in righteous struggle.

### Announcements and Events – January 1, 2017

#### CHANCEL FLOWER DONATIONS

Today's flowers are given by Anita Jones in celebration of Imani/Faith the last day of Kwanzaa.

#### CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC DISCUSSION

You are invited to participate in a Congregational Discussion about the UU Detroit Church music program after the service on Jan 15, 12:30 - 2:00 pm in the Parlor. This is an open discussion, but we will specifically discuss the sing along, a song leader or cantor, difficult hymns, and new singing repertoire. Feedback or comments are always welcomed, and can be emailed to [musicdirector@1stuu.org](mailto:musicdirector@1stuu.org).

#### Sunday Sermons and Events

##### 1/8 11:00 AM Sermon, "Truth and Meaning"

**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

Continuing our monthly series on the Seven Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association, Rev. Murray will focus on the Fourth Principle, "A free and responsible search for truth and meaning."

##### 1/15 11:00 AM Sermon, "MLK and Civil Disobedience"

**Speaker:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray

As we approach the inauguration of our 45th President, many communities are considering how they will engage and disengage with this new administration. It is helpful to look to the example of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for how moral force can encounter political power for positive effect.

##### 1/22 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?

*Sing Along-Praise, Love & Gratitude*

*Anita Jones*

I praise the earth and I love the earth and I'm grateful for my  
life (2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the earth and I love the earth  
And I'm grateful for my life.

I praise the wind and I love the wind and I'm grateful for my  
life (2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the wind and I love the wind  
And I'm grateful for my life

I praise the fire and I love the fire and I'm grateful for my life  
(2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the fire and I love the fire  
And I'm grateful for my life

I praise the water and I love the water and I'm grateful for my  
life (2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the water and I love the water  
And I'm grateful for my life.

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I praise the wind and I love the wind and I'm grateful for my  
life (2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the wind and I love the wind  
And I'm grateful for my life

I praise the fire and I love the fire and I'm grateful for my life  
(2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the fire and I love the fire  
And I'm grateful for my life

I praise the water and I love the water and I'm grateful for my  
life (2X).

Praise, love and gratitude,  
That's my new attitude.

I praise the water and I love the water  
And I'm grateful for my life.

