## **Today's Music**

Welcome back to our guest musician, Hannah Waterstone!

**Prelude**: Against the Wind (1980)

**Bob Seeger** 

**Musical Meditation**: Bridge Over Troubled Water (1970)

Paul Simon

**Offertory**: Gonna Fly Now, Theme from Rocky (1976)

Bill Conti

**Recessional**: Follow the Drinking Gourd African American spiritual

## First Unitarian-Universalist Church

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 Marsha Bruhn

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

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May 27, 2018
"Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win"
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#### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### **ENTERING**

Lighting of Candles

Singing Together\* #1020 Woyaya

#151 I Wish I Knew How

WELCOME Worship Leader, Lindi Johnston

#### **CENTERING**

Prelude

Calling to Worship

Kindling the Flame #85 Although This Life is But a Wraith

#### **DEEPENING**

Silent Meditation

Invocation

Musical Meditation

Reading

Response #123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)

Message

#### **RETURNING**

Offering

Closing Hymn\* #351 A Long, Long Way the Sea-Winds Blow

Recessional

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall for coffee, cookies, and conversation

(\* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

### Announcements and Events — May 27, 2018

**FLOWER DONATIONS:** Today's flowers are donated by Elayne Sikelianos to wish a happy birthday to Eleni Sikelianos!

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

<u>MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:</u> There will be a "Visitors' Table" and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. Today, Bill McKnight at the "Visitors' Table" and 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!** 

**NEEDED: A FEW GOOD VOLUNTEERS.** We need one or two people stepping up to help with child care during the service. We have recently lost some of our volunteers due to a variety of reasons, so we need to replace them. Please contact Richard Hillier or Sally Borden if you can help. Thanks!

RIDE SHARES TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY: If you or someone you know could use a ride to church on Sunday, please contact the office with your location. Your availability will be published among our community to find a driver open to sharing a ride. Please contact the church office @ 313-833-9107 or email at office@1stuu.org.

<u>INTRODUCTION TO UU WORKSHOP:</u> Sally Borden will be facilitating the Introduction to UU workshop on June 10, 2018 at 12:30PM in the parlor.

## **Sunday Sermons and Events**

## TODAY, 5/27 11:00AM - Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win

Yusef Bunchy Shakur, Guest Speaker

He speaks of his journey of redemption, hope, triumph, and transformation from Zone-8-gang-life to father, freedom fighter, community activist and grass-roots advocate. Yusef Bunchy Shakur is well versed in the language and syntax of Detroit; an author and educator, he interprets the language of the city's majority Black population--from its pain and anger to its hope through his experience of transformation. He offers sage advice to help re-spirit and re-build a broken community plagued from social decay through his efforts as a local and national organizer. He currently serves as Co-Director of Programs with the Michigan Roundtable.

# 6/3 11:00AM – The Harmony of the Spheres: Music and Spirituality

Dr. Michael Nealon

According to most scientists, our universe had its origin in a musical moment -- a big bang. In what ways have we used music to understand the world around us? the cosmos? our personal and social relationships with God and with one another? How might we think about our spiritual journeys as music moments or compositions?

## 6/10 11:00AM – Reconciling Poverty, Economic Development and Gentrification in Detroit"

Kevin Ketels, Guest Speaker

How can we balance the competing interests of a city in which many residents have little practical access to opportunity within the context of substantial, yet uneven economic investment? Detroit is a city whose history is rich with contrast in both invention and oppression. While the national narrative speaks kindly to our recent efforts, the benefits are as elusive as ever for those outside downtown and midtown. The obstacles are significant, but the goal is achievable.