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 Interlude: This is America Childish Gambino

Musical Meditation: *This is Not America* David Bowie, Pat Metheny, and Lyle Mays

Offertory: Get Up, Stand Up Bob Marley and Peter Tosh

Recessional: Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Round African American Spiritual

Sunday Sermons

7/8 TODAY, 11:00AM - "This is America"

Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister

The recent, haunting music video by Childish Gambino/Donald Glover, "This is America," is a visual, multifaceted sculpture of reflections on American identity(ies) today. As we live in a time when the doctrines of American exceptionalism, especially moral exceptionalism, seem most thin, who are we and what do we do as Americans living in this incarnation of the United States today?

7/15 11:00AM - "Student Activism from Greensboro to Parkland" Fran Shor, Guest Speaker

On February 1, 1960, four college students sat in at a segregated restaurant in Greensboro, NC. This action quickly spread to other places throughout the South and unleashed a decade of student activism. Almost six decades later, high school students in Parkland, Florida, reeling from the murder and maiming of their classmates, galvanized a national movement, led by young students to demand an end to gun violence. This talk will highlight some of the key moments of student activism in the 1960's and compare and contrast it with the student activists organizing around the "March for Our Lives."

July 8, 2018 *"This is America"* Rev. Dr. Stephen Butler Murray, Minister

Order of Service

ENTERING

Lighting of Candles Singing Together*	#1012 When I Am Frightened #348 Guide My Feet
WELCOME	Lyndi Johnston, Worship Leader
CENTERING Prelude Calling To Worship Kindling the Flame Opening Hymn* Musical Interlude	#1074 Turn the World Around
DEEPENING Silent Meditation Invocation Musical Meditation Reading	

Response

#123 Spirit of Life (please sing along)

Message

RETURNING

Offering Closing Hymn* Recessional

#304 A Fierce Unrest

Congregation may exit to the Social Hall. for potluck and conversation.

(* indicates times to stand in body or spirit)

<u>FLOWER DONATIONS</u>: Today's flowers are donated by Ruth Seifert in celebration of women everywhere.

TODAY'S GREETERS: Marilyn Mitchell and Toni Tront will be greeting today.

POTLUCK SUNDAY: Today we'll be meeting in the Social Hall directly after service for Potluck Sunday. Remember to label dishes for possible allergens. Also, bring your business cards for networking; we'll display them. **Everyone is invited!**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: There will be a "Visitors' Table" and a "Sermon Discussion Table" every Sunday during Coffee Hour and Potlucks. Today, Deanna McGraw is 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!**

ORDER OF SERVICE CHANGES: We introduced something new two weeks ago. Your Order of Service now has a cover sheet with information about our church that doesn't change; it will be reused each week. The weekly content that does change – sermon topics, music, etc. - will be an insert, which will be recycled. PLEASE PUT YOUR OOS COVER IN THE BOX ON THE RADIATOR AS YOU EXIT THE SANCTUARY!

<u>2018-2019</u> CANVASS CAMPAIGN: Have you completed your 2018-19 pledge form? Pledges are the lifeblood of this church. If you haven't filled out and turned in a pledge form, please see **Sharon Mills** at potluck. Sharon will have pledge forms available and be able to answer your questions or refer you to someone who can.

Alternatively, you may download a pledge form from our website at <u>http://www.1stuu.org/Finance/pledge.php</u>. At this page you will also be able to view the <u>canvass brochure</u> for this year and the UUA's <u>fair giving guide</u>.

If you have turned in our 2018-19 pledge form, we thank you enthusiastically!

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: Today is the last meeting of the Worship Committee before the retreat in August. Meet in the Parlor at 12:40PM directly after the service.

VESPERS MEETING: The July Vespers will take place on Wednesday, July 25, from 6:00-7:00PM at Henry Ford Village. Elayne Sikelianos will be presenting a surprise potpourri – including something of her daughter Eleni's.

MORE ON SIWATU SALAAMA RA: The Social Justice Committee wants to show further support. Sherry Wells is crafting a letter of support which will be available for your message and signature in the coming weeks.

Siwatu Salama-Ra, a mother, community leader, and a board member of EMEAC in Detroit, tried to defend her family when she was violently confronted by a person who rammed her vehicle into Siwatu's parked car while Siwatu's two-year old was playing inside, and then tried to use the vehicle to run Siwatu's mother over. Fearing for their lives, Siwatu, who is a licensed concealed gun owner, held her weapon in plain sight, hoping it would stop the person from running them over. The gun was unloaded, and no one was hurt. Still, she was sentenced to a mandatory two years in prison for "Felony Firearm" and because that gives the judge no discretion in sentencing, she is now behind bars and had to give birth there to her baby. Siwatu's legal team is pursuing various tactics, including requesting she be released on bond pending appeal, reversal of the conviction, and a commutation and/or pardon.

<u>RIDE SHARES TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY</u> - 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 office@1stuu.org.