

## WEEKS AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, August 13**

Meditation, Parlor, 10:15 AM

Social Justice Committee Movie Screening, Aud., 12:30 PM

*\*Denotes a non-church event, open to the public.*

*Be sure to check out the newly updated bulletin board in the upper Narthex for information about The Social Justice Community's work and how you can get involved.*

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**Sunday, August 13 2017**

Our summer services are in our air-conditioned Hale Chapel. Come and hear exciting speakers and musicians. Take a break from the heat and get cool during summer at First Church!



  
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### Upcoming Summer Speakers!

**August 13:** Rev. Sheldon Bennett, "Democracy as Spiritual Practice"  
(retired from Quincy, and FCB member)

**August 20:** Beth Curran, "As Above, So Below", FCB Member

**August 27:** Rev. Stephen Kendrick, "View to the Summit"

**September 3:** Aisha Ansano, FCB Ministerial Intern

**The Order of Service**

**We Gather Together**

**Gathering Music** Prelude II George Gershwin (1898 - 1937)

**Welcome**

**Chalice Lighting & Invocation**

Love is the spirit of this church, And service its law. This is our great covenant:  
To dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.

**The Work of Community**

**\*Hymn #126** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

**Brief Announcements**

**\*Affirmation** Spirit of Life

**Finding Ourselves in the World's Story**

**Reading** from Democracy Matters, Cornell West

**Responsive Reading # 579** "The Limits of Tyrants", Frederic Douglas

**Greeting One Another**

**Musical Meditation** Simple Gifts (Shaker Tune); At the River (Hymn Tune)  
from *Old American Songs* Aaron Copland (1900 - 1990)

*Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find our selves in the place just right, Twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gain'd To bow and to bend we shan't be asham'd, To turn, turn will be our delight 'Till by turning, turning we come round right.*

*Shall we gather by the river, Where bright angels' feet have trod, With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God. Yes, we'll gather by the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease, Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace.*

**Going Deeper**

**Unison Reading # 498** "In the quietness of this place", Howard Thurman

**Prayer** Rev. Sheldon Bennett

**\*Hymn # 108** "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" SINGING

**Sermon** "Democracy as Spiritual Practice" Rev. Bennett

**Offertory** Zion's Walls (Revivalist Song) from *Old American Songs* Copland  
*Come fathers and mothers come, sisters and brothers come, join us in singing the praises of Zion. O fathers don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of zion, We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.*

**\*Doxology**



**Engaging the World in Service and Thanks**

**Charge** Rev. Bennett

**\*Hymn # 298** Wake, Now, My Senses SLANE

**\*Benediction # 699** Rev. Bennett

**Postlude** Prelude I Gershwin

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Guest Musicians - Robert Winkley, piano; Christine Teeters, soprano.**

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