

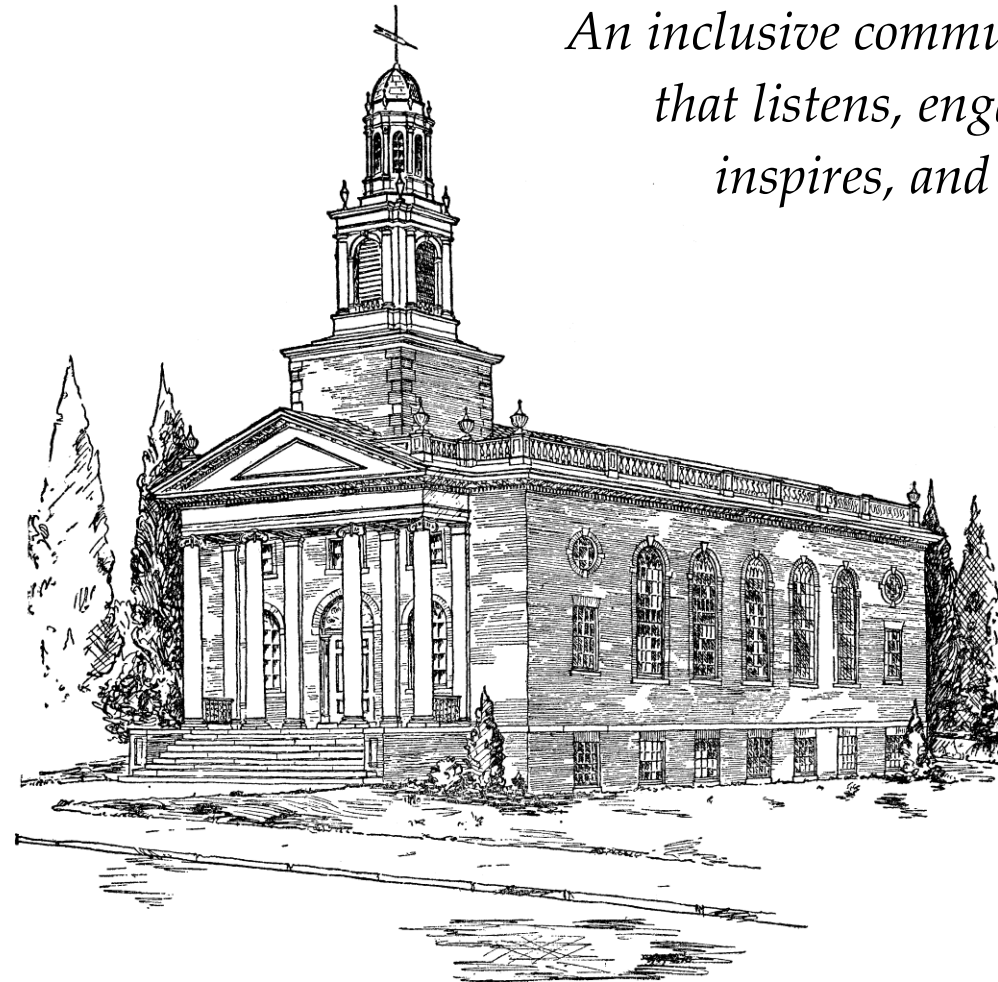
# First Unitarian Church of Omaha

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 7, 2017

10:30 A.M.

*An inclusive community  
that listens, engages,  
inspires, and acts.*



**Share the Plate.** Each month one-half of the loose currency in the offering plate is donated to a cause with a local presence which advances important principles of Unitarianism. This month's recipient is **Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)**, the United States' largest organization for parents, families, friends, and allies united with people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ)

**Change for Change.** Each week generous people put change in the collection plate. This change goes to our Sunday School youth who decide where the money can be best utilized. In the past they have contributed to Community Meals and International Bridges for Justice. This year youth have identified the recipient as Neighborhood Ministry Team, which purchases bus tickets, and food cards and provides blessings bags to people who come to our church requesting help. Your change makes a difference! Thank you for your generosity!

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## Order of Worship

May 7, 2017

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### GATHERING

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#### BELLSOUND

**PRELUDE** "Prelude on an English Folk Tune" — arr. Wood

#### WELCOME

**DEDICATING NEW LIVES** Quinn & Addison Dewell

**STORY FOR ALL AGES** Kate Wiig

#### \* LIGHTING THE CHALICE

At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us. — Albert Schweitzer

#### \* SINGING THE CHILDREN TO THEIR CLASSES

Go now in peace. Go now in peace.  
May the Spirit of Love surround you,  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

#### THANKING "GATHER OUR SPIRIT, DREAM OUR FUTURE" PARTICIPANTS

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Denise Allain

**OFFERTORY** "The Cuckoo" — Young

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of May is*

**Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)**

*The Change for Change beneficiary is the Neighborhood Ministry Team.*

### REFLECTING

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**A MOMENT OF SILENCE** concluded with a bellsound

**CHORAL INTROIT** "Filled With Loving Kindness" — Hayes

**LESSON** — from Lao Tsu

**CHORAL ANTHEM** "Listen to the Music" — arr. Shaw

**SERMON** "Our Deep Gladness and the World's Deep Hunger" Rev. Frank Rivas

### AFFIRMING

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\* **HYMN (#128)** "For All That Is Our Life"

\* **BENEDICTION** — Isaiah

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Shalom, Chaverim!" — Israeli round

**POSTLUDE** "A Renaissance Trumpeting" — Gay

**Organist: Patricia Will**  
**Choir Director: William Miller**  
**Choir Accompanist: Elizabeth Kelly**  
**Guitarist: Collin Hatcher**  
**Percussionist: Stan Harper**

(\*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)