

Share the Plate. Each month one-half of the loose currency collected in the offering plate is donated to a local cause that advances important principles of Unitarianism. Our Share the Plate recipient for 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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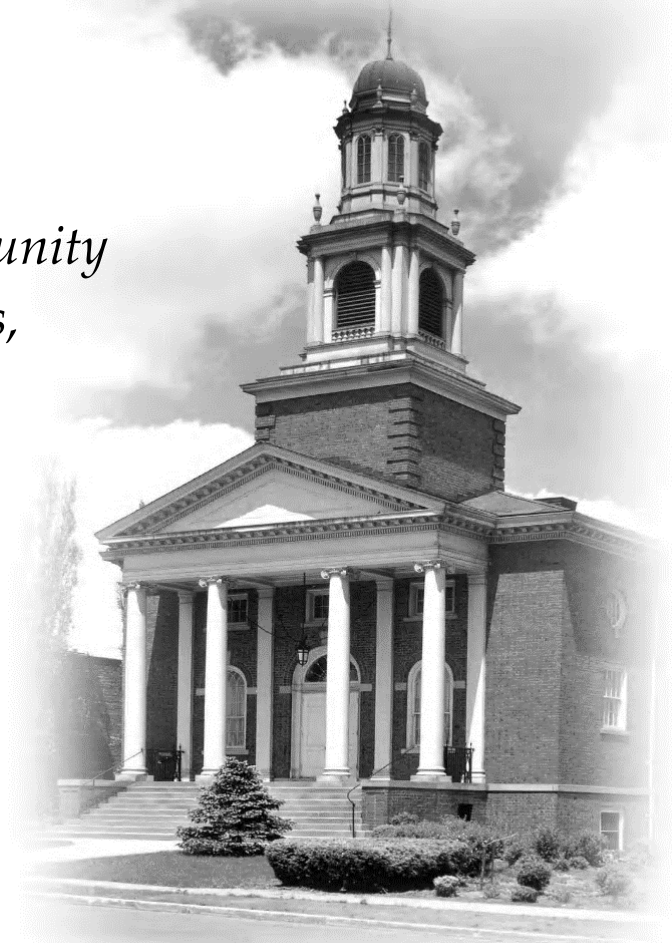
First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF SERVICE

MAY 5, 2019

10:30 A.M.

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



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May 5, 2019

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BELLSOUND

INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Denise Allain

WELCOME

Rev. Michelle LaGrave

PRELUDE

“The Gift to be Simple”

—arr. Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

* CHALICE LIGHTING

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

* OPENING HYMN (#354 gray hymnal) “We Laugh, We Cry”

CHILD DEDICATION

Margaret Jean Seguin

Address to the Parents

Prayer

— Lindsey Bates (adapted)

Dedication

***Congregational Affirmation:** As we contemplate the miracle of birth, as we renew in our hearts a sense of wonder and joy, may we be stirred to a fresh awareness of the sacredness of life and of the divine promise of childhood. May we so live that our children may acquire our best virtues and leave behind our worst failings. May we pass on the light of courage and compassion and the questioning spirit, and may that light burn more brightly in this child than it has in us.

Reading

“A Wish for Our Children”

— Robert F. Kaufmann

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.

HERITAGE MINUTE

Dave Richardson

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Sunday”
from “Sunday in the Park with George”

— Sondheim/arr. Huff

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING

“Meditation”

— Peeters

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of May is

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The Change for Change beneficiary is the Neighborhood Ministry Team.

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

Walt Jesteadt

READING

“On Children”

— Khalil Gibran

* HYMN (#20 gray hymnal)

“Be Thou My Vision”

SERMON

“Mothering God”

Rev. Michelle LaGrave

* CLOSING HYMN (#2 gray hymnal) “Down the Ages We Have Trod”

* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Faith of the Free”

— Balcombe

Organist: Patricia Will

Sanctuary Singers

Director: William Miller

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(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)