

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 6, 2016



vote

A stylized graphic of the word "vote" in a dark blue serif font. The letter "o" is replaced by a red, calligraphic "g" that loops around the top and bottom of the "o".

GATHERING

BELLSOUND

PRELUDE

“Brother James’ Air”

— Wood

WELCOME

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Denise Allain

OFFERTORY

“Meditation”

— Benoit

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of November is

Omaha Together One Community (OTOC)

*Change for Change beneficiary is **Neighborhood Ministry.***

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

REFLECTING

CHORAL INTROIT

“Here We Have Gathered”

— Alicia S.-Carpenter;

A MOMENT OF SILENCE concluded with a bellsound

JUSTICE PULPIT

Rev. Sheila Mee

Minister: It is the church that assures us that we are not struggling for justice on our own but, as members of a larger community.

Congregation: The religious community is essential, for alone our vision is too narrow to see all that must be seen, and our strength too limited to do all that must be done.

Minister: Together, our vision widens and our strength is renewed.

LESSON

—David Brooks

CHOIR

“My Life Flows On In Endless Song”

— Shafferman

SERMON

“Confronting the Psalms”

Rev. Frank Rivas

AFFIRMING

* **HYMN (#34)** "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire"

* **BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Carillon Toccata"

— Wagner

Organist: Patricia Will
Choir Director: William Miller
Choir Accompanist: Elizabeth Kelly

WAYS TO HELP

Blessing Bags

The third annual Blessing Bag Day is Saturday, November 5 at the Inclusive Life Center (1941 South 42nd St. Suite 124, Omaha). Drop off time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Build the bags time: 12:00-2:00 p.m. The blessing bags are given out at the church door. We need YOUR help! For details on what donations we need or how to volunteer, please visit www.inclusivelife.org/blessingbags or visit our Facebook event for details: <https://www.facebook.com/events/321423061535132/>. You may email Royal at info@inclusivelife.org for more information. Thank you!

Community Meals

Saturday, November 12 at First Baptist Church. We will be serving chicken Alfredo, salad, and bread. We will need dessert makers for the cookies and bars and volunteers to help with prep, serving and clean up. Want to help? Contact Diane at dianewithem@gmail.com or call [402-679-8916](tel:402-679-8916).

YES Meal Prep

Tuesday, November 15 at 10:00 a.m. in the kitchen. We will be serving pizza and salad. Dinner needs to be delivered at 2pm. Kim needs at least two volunteers. Please email Kim at kjcallaghan@hotmail.com to volunteer. Thank you!

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Tuesday, November 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Room. Help us feed people in our community. Volunteers and donations are needed for this special event. Go to <http://www.inclusivelife.org/thanksgiving/> for all the information.

Hope in Action

Hope in Action, a sub-team of the Caring Team, offers support to any church member, friend, regular attendee or family member in need of assistance. Hope in Action is there when people are dealing with a medical problem, need transportation or help around the house, can use assistance with referrals to social service agencies or just need someone to talk to about the ups and downs of life. You may send an email to hopeinaction@firstuomaha.org, use the Hope in Action link on the church website, call the church office and press ext. 105 to leave a telephone message for Hope in Action, or complete a Caring Card located in the church pews and place it in the designated box in the common room.