

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

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 our partner church in Firtosmartonos Transylvania Romania. You can find more information on our partner church in the February issue of *The Flame*, our newsletter.

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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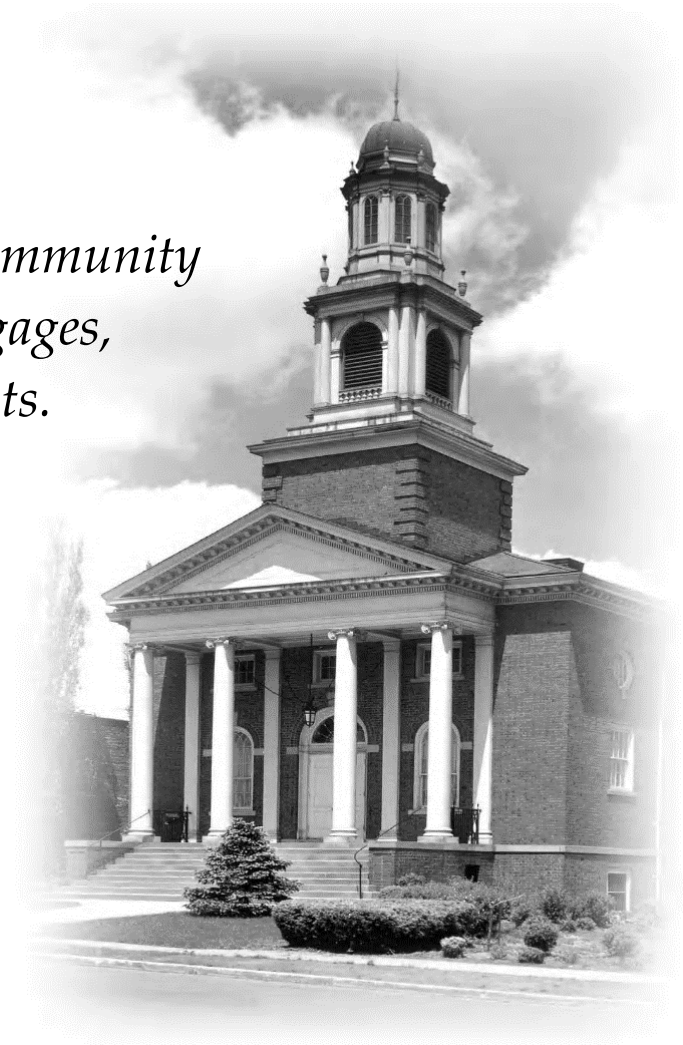
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

10:30 A.M.

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



Order of Worship

February 25, 2018

10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC "Energy" — Robert Schneider

WELCOME

* **OPENING HYMN (#346)** "Come, Sing a Song with Me"

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Taylor & Jessica Eman

Congregation and New Members: We pledge to walk together in the ways of
truth and affection, as best we know them now, or may learn them in days to
come; that we and our children may be fulfilled and we may speak to the world
in words and actions of peace and goodwill.

Congregation: We welcome you into the covenant of our congregation

OFFERTORY "All The Things You Are" — Jerome Kern

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of February is
our partner church in Romania.

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

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

REFLECTING

THE PRACTICE OF MINDFULNESS

READING "After Running Through the Thistles, The Hard Part Begins."
(from Rev. Mark Morison-Redd's Barry Street Lecture)

MUSIC "What About Us" — J. McDaid/A. Moore

SERMON "Teach Them How To Say Goodbye" Lauren Way

SERMON MUSIC "One Last Time" — Lin-Manuel Miranda

AFFIRMING

* **CLOSING HYMN (#131)** "Love Will Guide Us"

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Oleo" — Sonny Rollins

Early Morning Risers
Pianist & EMR Director: Stan Harper