

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF WORSHIP

APRIL 15, 2018

10:30 A.M.

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 **Community Meals**. The main task of this organization is to provide a weekly meal on Saturdays at First Baptist Church. Three to four times a year our church cooks and serves the meal for about 250 people living in our neighborhood.

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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William Miller, Choir Director

J. Gawf, Choir Accompanist

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Jenny Hastings, Nursery Coordinator

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Bill Hoover

Order of Worship

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GATHERING

BELLSOUND

PRELUDE "There Is a Happy Land" — Wood

ANTIPHONAL READING (#437) — Kenneth L. Patton

CHORAL INTROIT "Come Into This House" — Kenneth L. Morrison

STORY FOR ALL AGES Kate Wiig

* 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

* 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 Molly Dewell

OFFERTORY "Preludio" — Dello Joio

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of April is **Community Meals**.
The Change for Change beneficiary is the **Neighborhood Ministry Team**.*

REFLECTING

THE PRACTICE OF MINDFULNESS

DOXOLOGY (#123) "Spirit of Life"

LESSON — Susan Griffin

CHORAL ANTHEM "Over the Rainbow" — Arlen/Harburg, Arr. Hayes

SERMON "Let Us Now Praise Famous Women" Rev. Frank Rivas

AFFIRMING

* **HYMN (#358)** "Rank by Rank Again We Stand"

* **BENEDICTION** — from Barbara Pescan

CHORAL BENEDICTION "May We Shine a Light of Love" — Joyce Poley

POSTLUDE "Fanfare for a Festive Occasion" — Smith

Organist: Patricia Will
Choir Director: William Miller
Choir Accompanist: J. Gawf

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)