

# First Unitarian Church of Omaha

## ORDER OF SERVICE

DECEMBER 2, 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 **Youth Emergency Services (YES)**. YES serves homeless and at-risk youth by providing critically needed resources that empower them to become self sufficient.

**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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engages, inspires, and acts.*



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### BELLSOUND

### INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Denise Allain

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

“’Twas the Moon of Wintertime” — Powell

### OPENING WORDS

#### \* 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”(#128 gray hymnal) “For All That Is Our Life”

### STORY FOR ALL AGES

Kate Wiig

### 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

“Believe” — From Polar Express (Arr. Chinn)

### MEDITATION

### OFFERTORY & OFFERING

“Lo’ How a Rose e’re Blooming” — Davidson

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

**YES (Youth Emergency Services).**

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

### READING

“Forged in the Fire of Our Coming Together” — Gretchen Haley

#### \* HYMN (#352 gray hymnal)

“Find a Stillness”

### SERMON

“Resting in Mystery” Rev. Dr. Jean Heriot

#### \* CLOSING HYMN (#347 gray hymnal) “Gather the Spirit”

#### \* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

#### \* BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

“Shepherd’s Pipe” — Young

**Organist: Patricia Will**  
**First Unitarian Church Choir**  
**Choir Director: William Miller**  
**Choir Accompanist: J. Gawf**

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