**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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**GATHERING**

 **BELLSOUND**

 **PRELUDE** “Intermezzo Op. 119 No. 3” — J. Brahms

 **WELCOME** — William F. Schulz

 **CHORAL INTROIT** “This Little Light of Mine”— arr. Hayes

 **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.

 **DEDICATION OF A NEW LIFE** Raven Cook

 **SONG FOR A NEW LIFE** “True Colors” — Billy Steinberg & Tim Kelly

 **ANNOUNCEMENTS** Denise Allain

 **STEWARDSHIP MOMENT** Stephen Switzer

 **OFFERTORY** “L’Heure exquise”” — R. Hahn

*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**

 **LESSON** — Anne Sexton

 **CHORAL ANTHEM** “Come Away” — Mark Hayes

 **SERMON** “Kairos” Rev. Frank Rivas

**AFFIRMING**

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

**\* BENEDICTION** —Paul Robeson

 **CHORAL BENEDICTION** “Old Irish Blessing” — Agay

 **POSTLUDE** Excerpt from “Inneggiamo al Signor” — P. Mascagni

**Choir Director: William Miller**

**Pianist : J. Gawf**

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