

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF SERVICE

JANUARY 26, 2020

10:30 A.M.

Covenant of Right Relations

We, the congregation of First Unitarian Church of Omaha, covenant together:

To create a religious community where we can freely explore our values and foster diversity as a source of communal strength.

To build healthy relationships, seeking to understand each other and respect our differences.

To listen deeply and endeavor to communicate directly, honestly, and compassionately, particularly when we are in conflict.

To do our best to make amends when we have hurt each other, even unintentionally, to learn from our mistakes, to forgive, and to reconnect in a spirit of understanding and commitment.

Approved by the congregation May 2019

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 **Mind & Soul Radio, 101.3 FM** which is a community radio station broadcasting from the Malcolm X Foundation. It's been described as North Omaha's voice over the airwaves and "a place where ideas are discussed, and unapologetic solutions for social justice are found and disseminated."

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!

Rev. Michelle LaGrave, Interim Minister (minister@firstuomaha.org)

Rev. Dr. Sarah Voss, Affiliated Community Minister

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January 26, 2020

10:30 A.M.

BELLSOUND

PRELUDE

“Get Together”

— Chet Powers

INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Thomas

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

“Call to Worship and Action”

— Sharon Wylie

* **OPENING HYMN (#1000 teal hymnal)** “Morning Has Come”

* CHALICE LIGHTING

— Melanie Davis

Using the spark of hope,
Kindle the flame of love,
Ignite the light of peace,
And feed the flame of justice

STORY FOR ALL AGES

Kate Wiig

SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT

Go now in peace. Go now in peace.
May the spirit of love surround you,
everywhere, everywhere you may go

RIGHT RELATIONS MINUTE

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING

“Waiting for the World to Change”

— John Mayer

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of January is

Mind & Soul Radio, 101.3 FM.

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

MEDITATION

“The Holy Work of Showing Up”
by Ashley Horan

Kabin Thomas

MUSIC

“This is My Movement”

— Bloom/Dolgen/Schlesinger

READING

“Standing With Love”

— Ashley Horan

READING

“There’s Too Much Work to Do “
by Dorothy Day

Sharon Conlon

* **HYMN (#1060 teal hymnal)** “As We Sing of Hope and Joy”

SERMON

Sarah Keeney

Executive Director

Omaha Together One Community (OTOC)

* **CLOSING HYMN (#0128 teal hymnal)** “The Fire of Commitment”

* **EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

* **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Today’s flowers are in loving memory of Barbara Major Abraham, the
daughter of Harriet Major and the sister of Jamie Major.

Early Morning Risers

EMR Director: Stan Harper

With deepest gratitude for all those who made today's service, religious
education programming, and social hour possible.

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

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