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 **OTOC (Omaha Together One Community)**, a local interfaith organization of which First Unitarian is a member. We encourage you to learn more about OTOC by visiting their website <u>www.otoc.org</u>

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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ORDER OF WORSHIP JULY 16, 2017 10:30 A.M.

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Order of Worship

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BELLSOUND			
PRELUDE			
OPENING WORDS	"The Stream of Life"	-Rabindranath Tagore	
* OPENING HYMN (#40)	"The Morning Hangs a Signal"		
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.			
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Maria Wallace	

OFFERTORY

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of July is OTOC (Omaha Together One Community). The Change for Change beneficiary is Neighborhood Ministry.

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

READING	"The Man Eating Tiger" A Parable by Ron Knapp	Read by Tim Duggan
READING	"The Map Maker" A Poem by Ron Knapp	Read by Barb Ross
MUSICAL INTERLUDE		
THE SERMON	"The Primacy of Perception"	Rev. Ron Knapp Minister Emeritus
* CLOSING HYMN (#145)	"As Tranquil Streams"	
* A CLOSING THOUGHT	"Out of the Stars"	- Robert Weston
POSTLUDE		

Pianist: Stan Harper