

First Unitarian Church of Omaha
October 6, 2024
“Ask the Minister” with Rev. Shari Woodbury
Reader: Valarie Palacios



Welcome & Land Acknowledgment - Rev. Shari Woodbury

Prelude “Verdi prati” by G.F. Handel (J. Gawf, piano)

Chalice Lighting -

*Spark of the spirit cupped in earth’s embrace,
Light of love alive in all creation,
as we kindle this flame, we rekindle our connection
to the sacred web of life.*

Call to Worship - by Lisa Friedman

Opening Hymn - #346 - Come, Sing A Song with Me

Community Offering - for Clair Cares Food Pantry

Offertory - “Ombra mai fu” by G.F. Handel (J. Gawf)

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<https://www.firstuuomaha.org/donations>, then scroll
down to the selection for this month’s Share the Plate
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*To share a Joy or Concern, write it in the binder at the
back of the sanctuary, or in the chat.*

Anthem - “Non, Nobis Domine” by Victor C. Johnson

The Sanctuary Singers directed by William Miller (J. Gawf, piano)

Care & Centering

Joys & Concerns

Centering Song - #391 - Voice Still and Small

Contemplation

Sermon - “Ask the Minister” by Rev. Shari Woodbury

Closing Song - #1024 - When the Spirit Says Do

Closing Words - by Rainer Maria Rilke (Stephen Mitchell, transl.)

Postlude

Coffee & Conversation - Common Room (basement)

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COTTAGE MEETINGS

RSVP NOW!

Oct 14, 1-3 pm
ZOOM

Oct 29, 630-830 pm
Common Room

Nov 1, 6-8 pm
Common Room, Childcare Available

tinyurl.com/cottagemeetings2024

Who Are We? Facilitated by Rev. Shari & friends, each session will give participants a chance to connect more deeply with others from church, while sharing from our own experiences with and hopes for First Unitarian.

The sessions are part of a larger process this fall of telling the story of our congregation – starting with hearing some of *your* stories. More dates available (Oct. 18 at Lee-Regier’s). Please join the conversation! Fill out the form to RSVP.

For families: Childcare is available for infants through preschoolers (nursery in basement). Kids may go directly to their elementary and middle/high Sunday School classrooms. Children of all ages are always welcome to attend the full service with their families in our sanctuary. The service is also streamed in the Common Room downstairs.



Hearing Assist Devices are available in the foyer – along the east wall, or ask an usher / greeter to give you one.

Please make your body comfortable. Feel free to knit or handle fidget toys during the service. Throughout the service, you may sit or stand as works best for your body, too (no compulsory standing for hymns). Restrooms are behind the side door of the sanctuary as you go out, and just down the stairs from the foyer.



Coming up... to learn about [upcoming events](#), classes, and other happenings in the church and beyond, scan the QR code at left. Fill out a yellow [Communication Card](#) (or for those online, [Visitor Form](#)) if you would like to be added to the church’s email list.

Accessing Care: Are you dealing with grief, illness, a financial rough patch, or want pastoral care from the minister? We don’t want members of our community to suffer in silence – please reach out! Go to our caring page (QR code) for details on how our Caring Team and minister can help, and how to connect. We are here for you.

