

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF SERVICE

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

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 our partner church in Firtosmartonos Transylvania Romania. You can find more information at: www.firstuuumaha.org/partner-church-

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@firstuuumaha.org)

Rev. Dr. Sarah Voss, Affiliated Community Minister

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*An inclusive community
that listens, engages,
inspires, and acts.*



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BELLSOUND

PRELUDE "Gratitude" — The Beastie Boys

INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS Mary Thomas

WELCOME Rev. Michelle LaGrave

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (# 515 grey hymnal)

* **OPENING HYMN (#21 gray hymnal)** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

* **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

STORY FOR ALL AGES

SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT

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

MUSIC "Wonderland" — Coco Love Alcm

PRAYER — Max Coots

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING "Do You Realize" — The Flaming Lips

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of November is

our partner church in Romania.

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

READINGS Excerpt from "Mourt's Relation, 1622"
Excerpt from "Great Man Going" — Stephen Hyde

* **HYMN (#349 grey hymnal)** "We Gather Together"

SERMON "In the Beginning, There Was Gratitude" Rev. Michelle LaGrave

* **CLOSING HYMN (#68 gray hymnal)** "Come, Ye Thankful People"

* **EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

* **BENEDICTION** — Gordon McKeeman

POSTLUDE "Gratitude" reprise

Thank you to Beth Conover for today's flowers

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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