

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF WORSHIP

JANUARY 28, 2018

10:30 A.M.

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



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 **Habitat for Humanity**. We encourage you to learn more by visiting: <https://habitatomaha.org>

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

January 28, 2018

10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC "1,2,3,4" — T. Higgenson/C. Tompkins

WELCOME

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Maria Wallace

OFFERTORY "My Back Pages" — Bob Dylan

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of January is. **Habitat for Humanity**
The Change for Change beneficiary is the **Neighborhood Ministry Team.***

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

REFLECTING

THE PRACTICE OF MINDFULNESS

DOXOLOGY (#123) "Spirit of Life"

ANTIPHONAL READING (#591) — James Luther Adams

LESSON — Theodore Parker

MUSIC "Waiting For My Real Life to Begin" — Colin Hay

SERMON "What Springs Spontaneous from the Holy Heart" Rev. Frank Rivas

AFFIRMING

* **CLOSING HYMN (#323)** "Break Not the Circle"

* **BENEDICTION** — Theodore Parker

POSTLUDE

Early Morning Risers
Pianist: Stan Harper