

First Unitarian Church of Omaha  
June 25, 2023  
"Ask the Minister" by Rev. Shari Woodbury  
Colette Piper, Worship Associate  
J Gawf, Piano; Katrina Schmidt, Soprano



LGBTQIA Welcoming Congregation

**Welcome & Land Acknowledgment** - Colette Piper

**Question Instructions** - Rev. Shari Woodbury

**Prelude** - "Vaga Luna" by V. Bellini

**Chalice Lighting** - Charlie McMahon

*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** - #1000 - Morning Has Come

**Time for All Ages** Kids' Questions with Amanda Burton

**Singing the Children to Classes** - #413 - Go Now In Peace

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

**Welcoming Congregation Moment** - Neva Cozine

**Community Offering** - for PFLAG

Offertory - "Quia Respexit" from Magnificat by J.S. Bach

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## Care & Centering

### *Joys & Concerns*

**Centering Song** - #123 - Spirit of Life

### *Contemplation*

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

**Closing Song** - #300 - With Heart and Mind

**Extinguishing of Chalice & Closing Words** by Rainer Maria Rilke

**Postlude:** “Nuit d'Etoilles” by Claude Debussy

### **Coffee & Conversation - Common Room (basement)**

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**For families:** *Childcare is offered during our Sunday services for infants through preschoolers (nursery in basement). Elementary and middle/high Sunday School classes begin after the Time for All Ages portion of our service. 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 (a convenient place to settle a fussy babe).*



**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.*



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