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.firstuuomaha.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@firstuuomaha.org)
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There Will Come Soft Rains

Sara Teasdale - 1884-1933

There will come soft rains and the smell of the ground, And swallows circling with their shimmering sound;

And frogs in the pools singing at night, And wild plum trees in tremulous white,

Robins will wear their feathery fire Whistling their whims on a low fence-wire;

And not one will know of the war, not one Will care at last when it is done.

Not one would mind, neither bird nor tree If mankind perished utterly;

And Spring herself, when she woke at dawn, Would scarcely know that we were gone.

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BELLSOUND

INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Thomas

WELCOME

"On the Wings of the Morning" **PRELUDE**

-Giamanco

"Suspended Between" **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Linda Barnes

* OPENING HYMN (#1000 teal hymnal)

"Morning Has Come"

* 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

Kate Wiig

SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT

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

CHORAL ANTHEM (see cover) "There Will Come Soft Rains"

- Music Ruth Morris Gray Lyrics Sara Teasdale

MEDITATION "There is Room for You Here"

- Mary Edes

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING

"Andante"

Powell

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.

READING

SERMON

"Inviting Our True Attention" By Karen G. Johnston

Kabin Thomas

"Filled with Loving Kindness" * HYMN (#1031 teal hymnal)

"Whole-hearted Attention: The Way of Zen"

Dosho Port Roshi

* CLOSING HYMN (#34 gray hymnal)

"Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire"

* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Postlude"

- Williamson

Thank you to Beth Conover for today's flowers.

Organist: Patricia Will **Sanctuary Singers Director: William Miller** Accompanist: J Gawf

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