Share the Plate. Each month one-half of the loose currency collected in the offering plate is donated to a local cause that advances important principles of Unitarianism. Our Share the Plate recipient for April is **Black and Pink**, an open family of LGBTQ prisoners and "free world" allies who support each other. Their work toward the abolition of the prison industrial complex is rooted in the experience of currently and formerly incarcerated people. This organization responds through advocacy, education, direct service, and organizing. Visit www.blackandpink.org for more information.

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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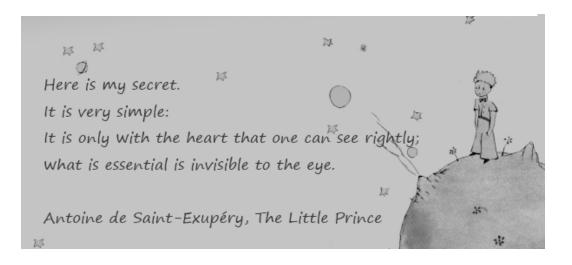
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BELLSOUND

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INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME		
PRELUDE	"When You Were Young"	— Flowers/Keuning/Stoermer/Vannucci
OPENING WORDS	 Dillman Sorrells & Antoine de Saint-Exupéry 	
* 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		
* OPENING HYMN (#95) "There Is More Love Somewhere"		
STORY FOR ALL AGES		Kate Wiig
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.		
HERITAGE MINUTE		Dave Richardson
* HYMN (#121)	"We'll Build A Lar	nd"

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING "The Middle" — Adkins/Burch/Lind/Linton

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of March is

Black and Pink

The Change for Change beneficiary is the Neighborhood Ministry Team.

READINGS —from Peter Maffay

from Jostein Gaarder

MUSIC (See insert for translation) "Nessaja" — Maffay & Zuckowski

INTRODUCTION TO HENRY LEMON SERMON

SERMON "What I Learned from Anna Sarah Copeland

and Other Fictional Characters

* CLOSING HYMN (#195) "Let Us Wander Where We Will"

* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

* BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

Peg Pidgeon

Aaron Solh

Early Morning Risers

Accompanist: Stan Harper

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Nessaja (English Lyrics)

I've never wanted to grow up, have always fought against it. Outwardly I grew as hard as a rock But nevertheless I was often hurt.

[Chorus]

Somewhere deep inside, I've remained a child. Only then, when I can't feel it anymore I will know It is too late for me.

At the bottom of the sea, where all life falls forever still, I can still spot my dreams, like air rising from the deep.

[Chorus]

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Then I'll play with the sunbeams
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