

First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF SERVICE

OCTOBER 20, 2019

10:30 A.M.

Belonging for Our Whole Selves

May the flame we now kindle
light the path back to our center,
back to that place of
belonging again
to our deepest self.
And may our chalice
remind us that we are held
and welcomed whole,
without the need to hide
a single piece or part
of who we are. – Scott Taylor

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 **Food Not Bombs: Omaha Chapter**. **Food Not Bombs** stands against hunger and poverty, waste and war. They work through a shared meal and an honest smile. For more information go to: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/OmahaFNB/about>.

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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BELLSOUND

INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nadine Keith

WELCOME

Rev. Michelle LaGrave

PRELUDE

“Du Bist die Ruh”

— Schubert/Koch

OPENING WORDS

“Longing for Something More”

— Gretchen Haley

* CHALICE LIGHTING (see cover)

* **OPENING HYMN (#188 gray hymnal)** “Come, Come, Whoever You Are”

RESPONSIVE READING (see insert)

— Nancy Shaffer, adapted

STORY FOR ALL AGES

Christina Strong

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

“I Dream a World”

— Rosephanye Powell

MEDITATION

“Know You are Not Alone and
Discover the Way Our Voices Rise”

— Gretchen Haley

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING

“Prelude on a Hymn Tune:”

— Groves

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of October is

Food Not Bombs: Omaha Chapter

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

*(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)*

READING

— Derek Walcott

* **HYMN (#6 gray hymnal)** “Just as Long as I Have Breath”

SERMON

“UU Theology !?!”

Rev. Michelle LaGrave

* **CLOSING HYMN (#298 gray hymnal)** “Wake, Now, My Senses”
Verses 1,3,2,4,5

* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

* **BENEDICTION** “Today We Return to the Shelter of Each Other” — Scott Tayler

POSTLUDE

“Carillon Toccata”

— Wagner

Thank you to Donna Tubach-Davis for today’s flowers.

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

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