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 **Youth Emergency Services (YES).** YES serves homeless and at-risk youth by providing critically needed resources that empower them to become self sufficient.

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

Denise Allain

WELCOME

GATHERING MUSIC "1 2 3 4 I Love You"

-The Plain White Ts

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Royal D. Carleton

* 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"(#123 gray hymnal) "Spirit of Life"

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

MEDITATION

OFFERTORY & OFFERING "When You've Got Trouble" − Liz Longley

The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of December is

YES (Youth Emergency Services).

The Change for Change beneficiary is the Neighborhood Ministry Team.

READING — Rev. Bill Schulz

"This is the mission of our faith: To teach the fragile art of hospitality; to revere both the critical mind and the generous heart; to prove that diversity need not mean divisiveness; and to witness to all that we must hold the whole world in our hands."

MUSIC "I'm Gonna Be (500 miles)" — Charlie & Craig Reid

FEEDING ONE ANOTHER

Rev. Royal D. Carleton

- * CLOSING HYMN (#168 gray hymnal) "One More Step"
- * EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE POSTLUDE

Early Morning Risers
Pianist & EMR Director: Stan Harper

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(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)