

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 **Habitat for Humanity**. We encourage you to learn more by visiting: <https://habitatomaha.org>.

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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First Unitarian Church of Omaha

ORDER OF WORSHIP

JANUARY 8, 2017

10:30 A.M.



Bill Lee (1923-2016)

Order of Worship

January 8, 2017

10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

STORY FOR ALL AGES

Kate Wiig

* LIGHTING THE CHALICE

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

* 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Megan Gustafson

OFFERTORY

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of January is **Habitat for Humanity.**
The Change for Change beneficiary is the **Neighborhood Ministry Team.***

(*Indicates congregation stands as they are able.)

REFLECTING

A MOMENT OF SILENCE concluded with a bellsound

HYMN (#123) (remain seated) “Spirit of Life”

SPIRITUAL ODYSSEY

Denise Allain

Minister: To speak one’s truth is a sacred act.

Congregation: To hear another’s truth transforms us; it too is a sacred act.

Minister: In the speaking and the listening we become beloved community.

LESSON

— from Briana Lee

MUSIC

SERMON

“Weorthscape”

Rev. Frank Rivas

AFFIRMING

HYMN (#108)

“My Life Flows in Endless Song”

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Early Morning Risers
Pianist: Stan Harper