

**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 This month's recipient 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](http://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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# First Unitarian Church of Omaha

## ORDER OF SERVICE

JULY 14, 2019

10:30 A.M.

*An inclusive community  
that listens, engages,  
inspires, and acts.*



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July 14, 2019

10:30 A.M.

**BELLSOUND**

**INTRODUCTION & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mary Kay Peters

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

“Upside Down”

— Jack Johnson

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

“Ecclesiastes 3:1-13”

\* **CHALICE LIGHTING**

“ Life’s Sacred Dance”

— Joanne Giannino

We light this chalice in honor of Life’s sacred dance of living and dying.  
May its flame remind us of those who have passed to us fragments of holiness.  
May it remind us that we too are participants in the dance.

\* **OPENING HYMN (#86 gray hymnal)**

“Blessed Spirit of My Life”

**STORY FOR ALL AGES**

**SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT**

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

**HERITAGE MINUTE**

Dave Richardson

**OFFERTORY AND OFFERING**

“Body and Soul”

— Johnny Green

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of July is*

**Black and Pink**

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

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

**MEDITATION HYMN (#1009 teal hymnal)**

“Meditation on Breathing”

**READING**

“The Problem of Pain”

Rev. Brian Carpenter  
— C.S. Lewis

**MUSIC**

“For Good”

— Stephen Schwartz

**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**

**SERMON**

“Three Needs, 4 Questions”

Rev. Brian Carpenter

\* **CLOSING HYMN (#1031 teal hymnal)**

“Filled with Loving Kindness”

\* **EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

\* **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“Somewhere Over the Rainbow”

— Harold Arlen

**Music: Stan Harper**

**Flowers are in loving memory of Jonny Vap Major, great grandson of Harriet Major and grandnephew of Jamie Major.**

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