

**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 **NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)**. NAMI is a grassroots organization dedicated to education, support and advocacy with anyone whose life has been touched by mental illness.

**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

**JUNE 30, 2019**

**10:30 A.M.**

“Our Common Life is Enriched” from Religious Institute

We are grateful for the gift of our lives and the gift of other people in our lives.

*Each of us is created with dignity and worth.*

We are called to love one another and to do nothing to others that we would find hateful to ourselves.

*We honor the many ways that people live and love.*

Our common life is enriched when queer, transgender, bisexual, lesbian, and gay people can come out—sharing the gifts of their sexual orientation and gender identity.

*True justice flourishes when all people can live and flourish.*

We suffer when LGBTQ people are oppressed, excluded, or shamed by religious people who overlook the fundamental call to love one another.

*Love does not exclude. We are all worthy.*

May we work to build a world where all people are celebrated and loved.

*We celebrate sexual and gender diversity as a blessing that enriches us all.*

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June 30, 2019

10:30 A.M.

<b>BELLSOUND</b>			<b>MUSIC</b>	“Why is Your Heaven So Small?”	— Susan Werner
<b>INTRODUCTION &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Klyde Warren	<b>READING</b>	“How to Discuss the Truth”	— Mark L. Belletini
<b>WELCOME</b>		Carol Ramsey	<b>* HYMN (#1017 teal hymnal)</b>	“Building a New Way”	
<b>PRELUDE</b>	“Beautiful”	— Linda Perry	<b>SPEAKER</b>		Micah LaGrave
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>	“Wholeness”	Micah LaGrave — Sharon Wylie	<b>RESPONSIVE READING (see front cover)</b>		Nadine Keith
<b>* CHALICE LIGHTING</b>			<b>SPEAKER</b>		Carol Ramsey
	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	<b>SPEAKER</b>		Klyde Warren
<b>* OPENING HYMN (#1053 teal hymnal)</b>	“How Could Anyone”		<b>* CLOSING HYMN (#170 gray hymnal)</b>	“We Are a Gentle Angry People”	
<b>STORY FOR ALL AGES</b>	“Red: A Crayon’s Story”	Christina Strong — Michael Hall (adapted)	<b>* EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE</b>		
<b>SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT</b>			<b>* BENEDICTION</b>		
	Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.		<b>POSTLUDE</b>	“Chelsea Bridge”	— Billy Strayhorn
<b>HERITAGE MINUTE</b>		Dave Richardson			<b>Vocalist: Mary Thomas</b> <b>Tubist: Kabin Thomas</b> <b>Music: Stan Harper</b>
<b>OFFERTORY AND OFFERING</b>	“True Colors”	— Kelly/Steinberg			<b>Flowers: Donna Neff</b>
	<i>The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of June is</i> <b>NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness).</b> <i>The Change for Change beneficiary is the</i> <b>Neighborhood Ministry Team.</b>				

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

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