

FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF DES MOINES
Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Sounding the Rin Gong
Prelude

Welcome

Spotlight: Barbara Martin and Louise Alcorn

Greetings from the Stewardship Campaign
Testimonial: *Mary Hays*

Chalice Lighting

*Gathering Song #1018 (*teal hymnal*)
Come and Go With Me

Story for All Ages
The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes
Mark Pett and Gary Rubenstein

Offering Words and Offertory

Meditation and sung response
Comfort me (3x) ... O my soul
Sing with me (3x) ... O my soul

First Reading Bruce Kramer
from *We Know How This Ends*

Music *Look to this Day* by Cliff Hardin

Second Reading Lewis Hyde
"This Error is the Sign of Love"

*Song #1011 (*teal hymnal*)
Return Again

Sermon Recalculating

*Song #1015 (*teal hymnal*)
I Know I Can

*Benediction

*Postlude Hymn of Valor

*Extinguishing the Chalice

Hymn of Valor

*Soul of Truth, Eternal Goodness,
Sojourn with us as we part;
Fill our minds with high endeavor,
Keep us just and pure in heart.*

*Strengthen us for daily duty,
Guide us by the inner light;
Hallowed be each coming morning,
Calm and peaceful be each night.
Amen.*

**Please rise in body or spirit*

Gratitude for Today's Participants

Celebrant:	Bill Brauch
Pianist:	Bruce Martin
Director of Choirs:	Karen Kraemer
Music:	U.U. Singers
Song Leader:	Andrew Curl
A/V volunteer:	Bill Allen
Pastoral Care:	Ann Mowery
Hospitality Coord.:	Terry Meek

WELCOME!

We are glad you're here.

To learn more about our congregation,
please speak with any of today's service
participants, our Greeters, or our Minister,
or find us online at www.ucdsm.org

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Our Mission

*Grow ethically and spiritually. Serve justly.
Love radically.*

Accessibility at First Unitarian

- **Assistive Listening Devices, full-page magnifiers, large-print hymnals and hymnals in Braille:** These are available just inside the Auditorium doors, on the shelves in your left. An usher will be glad to help you.
- **Disability placards/license plates:** Parking is available outside the west doors just past the drop-off lane in the right lane, or in the lot just south of the church on Casady Drive.
- **Push Button Electric Entrance/Exit Door:** Main floor, south side of the building
- **Lift to all building levels:** Main floor on the east side of the coatroom.

Faith Formation for children and Youth: Winter 2023

Ours is an intergenerational community! Did you:

- *Come with kids 0-4?* We have childcare downstairs all morning, or bring your kids with you to the service (check out our Wee Worship Space in the back of the auditorium!)
- *Come with kids 5-11?* Check out our *One Room SchUUlhouse* in Room 111 after the service – a space to learn, grow, and play
- *Come with teenagers?* Check out our youth group, YRUU, in Room 107 after the service

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TODAY'S FORUM 11:00 am - 12:00 pm in Griffin Hall!
Forest Bathing with Brandy Case Haub

TODAY'S OFFERING

Every week, half of our offering goes to support our Faith in Action partners in the wider community. This year's partners are **Hawthorn Hill, helping unhoused families obtain permanent homes, and Let's Talk, collaborating with the Des Moines public schools to help young people resolve conflict peacefully.**



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Open your phone's camera app and scan the QR code below to request an invitation!

