

## Inviting the Bell

## Passing the Peace

*Shalom Aleichem*

*Aleichem Shalom*

## Hymn #357

*Bright Morning Stars*

## Welcome

## Chalice Lighting

*We light our chalice flame of memory — for those whose names we know, and those who are lost to history. For the courage it takes to stand in harm's way, and the courage it takes to stand for peace. May this flame remind us of the light we inherit and the light we are called to kindle: a light of justice, of truth, and of tender remembrance.*

## Covenant Our Congregation's Bond of Union

## Responsive Invocation #519

## Story

Becoming Beatiful  
Tarang Rawat and Elena Napoli

## Children's Benediction

## UU History<sub>video</sub> *Ch. 17: Biandrata and David Meet*

## Music

*Prelude III*  
G. Gershwin; arr. by James Cohn

## Joys and Sorrows

## Moment of Silence

## Sung Response #1002 *Comfort Me*

## Training in Compassion *Grow Five Virtues: Repetition*

## Offertory

*Prelude II*  
G. Gershwin

## Sermon I

## Interlude

## Sermon II

## Hymn #95 *There Is More Love Somewhere*

## \*Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish this flame, and carry its light within us, lighting our way to justice, to gratitude, to peace, and to remembrance of the worth of every life, and the power of hope made real in our hands.*

## \*Spoken Benediction

## \*Sung Benediction *Hymn of Valor*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit.*

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Celebrant:	Diane Ford
Storyteller	Faithyna Leonard
Song Leader:	Ren Culliney
Musicians:	Bruce Martin
	Julie Murphy
Pastoral Care Associate	Laura Berardi
Hospitality Team Lead	Sue Huber
AV Tech	Kent Newman

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## Today's Forum

## One More Forum Before the Vote on the Capital Campaign Improvement Projects

Last week's Forum left some with questions on what the congregation would be approving with the Annual Meeting vote (Jun 1). Today's Forum will answer your questions, and share the amended resolution. If you can't attend but still want a chance to voice your concerns, call Ann Mowery or Karen Kraemer.

**ONLINE GIVING.** Support various programs with online donations! Scan the QR code and select a fund:

- **Your Pledge**
- **Basket Donation**
- **Faith in Action Partners** (donations split evenly among partners)
- **And more!**



**FAITH IN ACTION.** Our 2024-25 Faith in Action Partners are **Al Exito!** and the **Young Women's Resource Center**. You can now give to these groups through our online giving or by using the envelopes located in the auditorium. All donations will be split evenly between the two organizations.

**CONNECTION CIRCLES.** Connection Circles are a way of connecting with one another in deep and meaningful ways. Groups of 8-10 people gather once a month to engage with a different spiritual theme through reflection, practice, deep listening, and open-hearted sharing. Scan to sign up.



**ACCESSIBILITY:**

- **Assistive Listening Devices, full-page magnifiers, large-print hymnals and hymnals in Braille:** These are available just inside the Auditorium doors, on the shelves to your left.
- **Disability parking and accessible entrances:** 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.

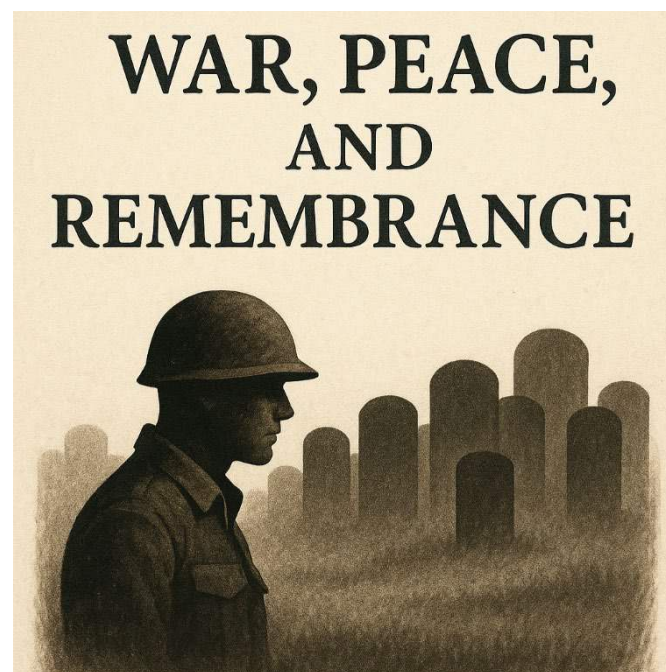
**Lift to all building levels:** Main floor on the east side of the coat room.

*Welcome*

to the

# First Unitarian Church of Des Moines

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



2025 May 25 ~ 9:30-10:45

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Spring

Rev. Meredith Garmon



*Waning Crescent*