

Participation is the Key to Harmony

Participation is the Key to Harmony: When we participate fully from a place of love, we work together to most effectively bring UU values to life. Sarah will talk about the connection between the spiritual concept of participation as a way of living the values in Article II.

Officiating: Sarah Sifers Worship Associate: Diane Langland

Pianist: Nancy Cramblit Storyteller: Director of Children's Faith Development Macey Forsyth

Opening Slideshow: *Music* "On Eagles Wings by Winds of Harmony"

Welcome and Announcements Diane

Good morning, everyone, and welcome to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Mankato, where our worship is entirely real and vital, life-giving and life-sustaining in all times, including in these times.

Everyone here today, in-person and through Zoom, you are all welcome in this time we make sacred together. All are loved, worthy, and needed. Here you can bring your whole self

Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge that our fellowship meets on the traditional homelands of the Dakota peoples. In continuing to understand our shared history, accepting responsibility for reparations and building relationships in the here and now, we want to go beyond land acknowledgment as we seek to be good relatives.

Singing Bowl

Chalice Lighting

if you are joining through Zoom, please type into the chat that Chalice is lit on your street and join and saying these words.

We are a welcoming people of diverse beliefs who commit to nourish the spirit, broaden the mind, nurture the earth, and build community. May this flame we kindle remind us to strive, today and every day, to love beyond belief.

Call to Worship Sarah Sifers

Reading #457 “I am only one but still, I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.” Edward Everett Hale

Opening Hymn #1017 Building a New Way

Story Macy: Book Title Harlem Grown by Tony Hillary

Singing the Children Out

Joys and Sorrows

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer #494 “The Prayer of our souls is a petition for persistence; not for the one good deed, or single thought, but, deed on deed, and thought on thought, until day calling into day shall make a life worth living.”

Offertory Music

Reading: Diane #560 “People say, what is the sense of our small effort. They cannot see that we must lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time. A pebble cast into a pond causes ripples that spread in all directions. Each one of our thoughts, words and deeds is like that. no one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There’s too much work to do.” morning, how are you doing so far

Hymn #1014 Answering the Call of Love

Sermon Sarah Participation is the key to harmony

Hymn#1024 When the Spirit Says Do

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again. (Elizabeth Selle Jones)

Benediction Sarah

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Singing Benediction and Exit Music : [NANCY](#)

*May the longtime sun shine upon you
All love surround you
And the pure pure light that's within you
Guide your way home.*

Zoom participants: Please feel free to stay online for a time of gathering to meet, talk, and connect.

In-person participants: Please stay for refreshments and conversation in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level following the worship service.