

**Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Mankato  
Order of Service: March 22, 2026**

**Vernal Equinox – Change and Chaos**

**Speaker:** Jeremiah Myer

**Worship Associate:** Susan Stevens Chambers

**Storyteller:** Lifespan Faith Formation, Macey Forsyth

**Sound Booth:** Dan Possin

**Pianist:** Jo Breckenridge

**Children’s Chapel:** Barb Franchino

**Childcare Attendant:** Linden Anthony

**Hospitality:** Lee Ganske

**Prelude/Opening Slideshow**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Land Acknowledgement**

**Singing Bowl**

**Chalice Lighting**

If you are viewing through Zoom, please type into the Chat that a chalice is lit on [your street], and join in 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:** Reading by Amber Doty

**Reading:** Spring Equinox by Agnes Krampe

**Opening Hymn:** # 347 (Gray Hymnal) “Gather the Spirit”

Words and music: Jim Scott

**Story:** Did You Hear Wind Sing Your Name? An Oneida Song of Spring

*Written by, Sandra De Coteau Orié and Illustrations by Christopher Canyon*

**Singing the Children Out**

**Joys and Sorrows**

**Singing Prayer:** Comfort Me, Share my Joys (To the tune of #1002)

Words and music by Mimi Bornstein-Doble, adapted

## **Pastoral Prayer and Meditation**

### **Offertory**

**Sermon:** The Vernal Equinox – Change and Chaos

Guest Speaker: Jeremiah Myer

**Closing Hymn:** # 131 (Gray Hymnal) “Love Will Guide Us”

Words, Sally Rogers and music by Betty A. Wylder

### **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.*

### **Benediction**

**Singing Benediction:** “May the Longtime Sun” (*sing through twice*)

*May the Longtime Sun Shine Upon You  
All love surround you  
And the pure, pure light that’s within you  
Guide your way home*

### **Postlude**