

**Order of Service**  
**March 26, 2023**  
**“Spring Equinox”**  
**Led by Caro Barschow, Intern Minister**

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**GATHERING THE COMMUNITY**

Prelude Jed Holland, Music Director  
Ringing the Bell, Land Acknowledgement & Welcome Caro Barschow, Intern Minister

**CENTERING**

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Sonrisa O’Toole & Dick Widhu  
Words by Langston Hughes (adapted)  
Opening Hymn: “*When Our Heart is in a Holy Place*” Hymn #1008  
(words & music: Joyce Poley; keyboard arr: Lorne Kellett)

**SHARING IN COMMUNITY**

Anthem: “*To Spring*” UU Nashua Choir  
(words: Philip Gordon; music: J.S. Bach; arranged: Philip Gordon)  
Wonder Box Caro Barschow, Dick Widhu,  
Story: The Keeper of the Rain, by Kristin Maier Sonrisa O’Toole & Charlotte Cardone  
Activity: We Are the Rain Caro Barschow, Intern Minister  
Anthem: “The Wheel of Water” Anne Smith, Jed Holland,  
(words & music: John Forster & Tom Chapin) Kathy Grossman, Lindsey Hedrick,  
Kathleen Griffis  
Caring Candles Caro Barschow & Moe Daniels  
Text: 910-807-3851  
Silent Reflection  
Response: “*Spirit of Life*”

	Hymn #123
Outreach Offering: Donna Purkhiser/Gregory McDevitt Scholarship Fund for CWG-WWS	Robin Trudel
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Offertory: Instrumental	Jed Holland
Response: “ <i>From You I Receive</i> ”	Hymn #402
<b>GOING DEEPER</b>	
A reading about water:	Dick Widhu
“In Time of Silver Rain” by Langston Hughes (adapted)	
Activity: Seed Ritual	Caro Barschow, Sonrisa O’Toole
Closing Charge	Caro Barschow, Intern Minister
<b>RETURN TO SERVICE IN LIFE</b>	
Closing Hymn: “ <i>Blue Boat Home</i> ”	Hymn #1064
(words: Peter Mayer; music: Roland Hugh Prichard; adapted: Peter Mayer; keyboard arr: Jason Shelton)	
Benediction & Chalice Extinguishing	Charlotte Cardone
Words by Eric Williams	
Song for Parting: “Peace & Joy”	
(words & music: Kathy Grossman)	
Postlude	Jed Holland