

Calendar

Sunday, October 26th

11:45 am – Prairie Potluck Lunch.
7 pm – Meditation.

Tuesday, October 28th

1 pm – Prairie Elders will meet at Prairie.
7:00 pm – Final Choices workshop series 2nd meeting. (3rd meeting will be held November 11th.)

Thursday, October 30th

6 pm – Prairie Spanish Potluck.

Saturday, November 1st

9 am – New Member Orientation.
5 pm – Fall Frolic begins.

Sunday, November 2nd

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am - service - "Day of the Dead," presented by Dorothy Krause.
12 noon - Humanist Union meets. Potluck lunch at noon followed by a presentation by Annie Laurie Gaylor at 12:30.

Tuesday, November 4th

Election Day

Wednesday, November 5th

7:00 pm - Board Meeting

Saturday, November 8th

9:00 am - Prairie WOW meets, location to be determined.

Sunday, November 9th

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am service - "Mending Fences Building Bridges," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.
12 noon - Prairie UU Society Fall Parish Meeting. Potluck lunch.
7:00 pm - Meditation.

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PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

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Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

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Prelude

"Common Ground," written and accompanied by Dean Schroeder,
sung by Paula Pachciarz

Welcome and Opening Words - Rachel Long

We gather together in this sacred space,
Blessed by generations of love and concern,
Where all can hear the promise of life,
And share one another's joy and pain,
Where hope prevails in the face of despair,
and the flame of love urges us on.

Chalice Lighting - Pat Watkins

May the light we now kindle
Inspire us to use our powers
to heal and not harm,
to help and not hinder,
to bless and not to curse,
and to serve the spirit of freedom and human rights.

Silent Meditation

Hymn #188 SLT - "Come, Come, Whoever You Are"
led by Doleta Chapru, accompanied by Rosemarie Lester

Presentation

"The United Nations Charter of Human Rights,"
presented by Pat Watkins

Discussion

Hymn #318 SLT - "We Would Be One"
Accompanied by Rosemarie Lester
(youth return downstairs.)

Offertory

music from the CD "A Child's Celebration of the World"

Joys and Concerns

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Hymn #325 SLT - "Love Makes a Bridge"
Accompanied by Rosemarie Lester

Closing Words - Pat Watkins

Here we are--all of us -- upon this planet, bound together by a common destiny... each lighted by the same precarious, flickering flame of life. How does it happen that we are not kindred in all other respects? How strange, how foolish these walls of separation that divide us! Although we extinguish the flame of this chalice, may it burn constantly in our hearts. Let us go forth filled with peace and charity.

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Welcome

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service. Our thanks to everyone who participated in making this program.

Announcements

The Cradle Club collections begin

The UU-UNO has again teamed up with the Southwest Indian Relief Council to assemble baskets of baby supplies to native American mothers who have regularly attended prenatal care visits. A box will be available for your donations of NEW infant supplies (or money to help with shipping costs) beginning today . For more information see your Prairie Fire, or contact Vera Cunningham at 230-3367.

Prairie Spanish Potluck

Thursday Oct 30th at 6 pm there will be a special Spanish Potluck, featuring Pat Wright and Dave Ranney, who recently returned from a fact-finding trip to Bolivia. They will report on their observations, show some slides, and then lead a discussion of U. S. foreign policy in Latin America.

New Member Orientation

We are holding our fall orientation on Saturday, November first and we invite anyone who is interested in getting to know us better, or in becoming Members. The orientation begins at 9 and will end at 12 noon. We provide a substantial brunch, and child care if needed. Please contact Paula Pachciarz for more information.

Fall Parish Meeting

The Fall Parish meeting is Sunday, November 9th, after the service. Bring a dish to pass for the potluck lunch before the meeting begins.

Prairie's Pretty Good Pancake Breakfast

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 15, 8:30 - 10:30. This event is a fund raiser for Prairie and the finance committee is hoping for a lot of support. How can you do that? Come to the breakfast! Volunteer to help out on that morning! Be a musician for 20 minutes! Make a fruit salad or pumpkin bread! Tell friends and family about this fund raiser! The breakfast is going to be superb - good food, good company, good fun!

Book Club

The Prairie Book Club will read Defying Hitler: A Memoir by Sebastian Haffner for discussion on Sunday, November 16th. The book selection for December is The Girl in the Tangerine Scarf by Mojha Kahf and will be discussed on December 14th.

Common Ground

Music and Lyrics by Dean Schroeder

Today we have safely gathered here,
But we know, on this our common ground,
That some must live in the bonds of fear,
Alone, but hoping to be found.

(Call and Response)

Who are we? How can we--Be for them?
Can we find--In our hearts--And our minds--
Love and care? We are one--With them now.
Let us pray that the light--Of the dawn
Will bring unto them the Shelter of Grace once again.

Tho' love will warm our hearts today
Still we know, on this our common ground,
Are some who cold and in dark must live,
Alone, but hoping to be found.

(Call and Response)

Let those without defense or voice
Come and now in spirit with us be.
And let our hearts be as one with theirs
And as one, live warm and safe and free.

(Call and Response)