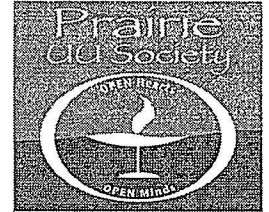


# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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## "Church Life Cycles and Promoting Growth," presented by Gary Peterson.

July 17, 2011



### Today's Order of Service

**Prelude** – Performed by Jason Yarusso

**Welcome and Announcements** – Mary Mullen

**Opening Words:** The greatest religious problem today is how to be both a mystic and a militant; in other words how to combine the search for an expansion of inner awareness with effective **social action**, and how to feel one's true identity in both.

-Ursula K. LeGuin

\***Hymn #360 (SLT):** "Here We Have Gathered," Doleta Chapru, accompanist.

**Lighting of the Chalice:** I think that one of our most important tasks is to convince others that there's nothing to fear in difference; that difference, in fact, is one of the healthiest and most invigorating of human characteristics without which life would become meaningless. Here lies the power of the liberal way: not in making the whole world Unitarian Universalist, but in helping ourselves and others to see some of the possibilities inherent in viewpoints other than one's own; in encouraging the free interchange of ideas; in welcoming fresh approaches to the problems of life; in urging the fullest, most vigorous use of critical self-examination.

- Adlai Stevenson

**Silent Meditation**

**Story for All Ages**

**Singing the Children out** – Farewell Good Friends

\*\***Joys and Concerns**

\*\***Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**Presentation:** "Church Life Cycles and Promoting Growth," presented by Gary Peterson.

**Discussion**

\***Hymn #300 (SLT):** "With Heart and Mind," Doleta Chapru, accompanist.

**Offering & Offertory** – Performed by Jason Yarusso

**Closing Words:** Churches must learn humility as well as teach it.

-George Bernard Shaw

**Greet Your Neighbor**

\*please stand as you are able.

\*\*please wait for the microphone before speaking; this allows those using the assistive listening devices to hear.

### Announcements

**Green Note** Did you know you can recycle compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs)? CFLs save energy and resources, but they can contain 1-5mg of mercury per bulb. Find a CFL recycling site near you by visiting <http://www.countyofdane.com>.

### **Special Parish Meeting today**

1. Election of Treasurer: Amy Armstrong has resigned as Treasurer and Kate Liu has agreed to serve the remainder of her term.

2. Approve Green Sanctuary submission: For a congregation to become an accredited Green Sanctuary of the UU Ministry for the Earth, a two step process must be completed: Step 1 - complete 12 projects, Step 2 - submit a report documenting completion of these projects. Prairie has completed Step 1. Prairie's Green Sanctuary Committee now seeks the congregation's approval to send a report of this work.

**The Free Congregation of Sauk County** has invited Prairie to the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Congregations of the Better Part of Wisconsin **next Sunday, July 24**. First Unitarian Society and James Reeb Society have also been invited to attend. The topic of discussion will be "Humanism." A potluck picnic will follow the discussion, so please bring a dish to pass, a plate and utensils. The Free Congregation will provide coffee and lemonade.

### **Prairie UU Society Bond of Union**

*We, the members of Prairie, wish to associate ourselves together in a religious community which affirms that we share a common humanity, that we need one another, and that our futures are inescapably bound together. Together we would expand our intellectual horizons, enrich our sensory experiences, and deepen our emotional sensitivities. We would sharpen our ethical awareness and broaden our sense of social responsibility. We would stand tall in our quest for integrity of life, yet not at others' expense. As the prairie stretches out until it becomes one with the sky, let us reach out to touch and be one with the natural world, and with one another.*

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### Prairie Calendar

#### **Sunday, July 17, 2011**

10:00 Service - "Life Cycle of Churches," presented by Gary Peterson  
11:15 Soup Sunday: Firecracker Chili  
11:45 Special Parish Meeting: Treasurer Election and Green Sanctuary vote  
11:45 Prairie book club meets to discuss The Help by Kathryn Stockett .

#### **Monday, July 18, 2011**

6:30 Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Prudence Barber. Call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information.

#### **Sunday, July 24, 2011**

10:00 Service - 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Congregations of the Better Part of Wisconsin in hosted in Sauk City

#### **Tuesday, July 26, 2011**

1:30 Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood; topic is "What do you wish you had been taught in high school?"

#### **Sunday, July 31, 2011**

10:00 Service

#### **Saturday, August 6, 2011**

4:00 Max Gaebler's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration at The Oaks;

#### **Sunday, August 7, 2011**

10:00 Stealth God Politics: What does it mean for Unitarian Universalism

#### **Sunday, August 14, 2011**

10:00 Service

#### **Sunday, August 21, 2011**

10:00 Service

#### **Sunday, August 28, 2011**

10:00 Service  
11:15 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Splash Pool Party

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### **Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations**

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

#### **Next week's service:**

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Congregations of the Better Part of Wisconsin in Sauk City.

