Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"Diwali: A Celebration of Light," presented by Rebecca Malke and Robin Proud.

November 18, 2012



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Katherine Liu

Greeting and Announcements – Reverend Sandy Ingham

Opening Words #519 (SLT): Responsive Reading

Let me not pray to be sheltered from dangers,

But to be fearless in facing them.

Let me not beg for the stilling of my pain,

But for the heart to conquer it.

Let me not look for allies in life's battle-field,

But to my own strength.

Let me not crave in anxious fear to be saved,

But to hope for the patience to win my freedom.

Grant me that I may not be a coward, feeling your mercy in my success alone;

But let me find the frasp of your hand in my failure.

- Rabindranath Tagore

*Hymn: "Across the Universe," by The Beatles. Accompanied by Anne Urbanski, Dan Proud, Dean Schroeder, and Carl Wacker.

Chalice Lighting

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages: "The Story of Rama and Sita"

Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine," accompanied by Dan

Proud.

**Joys and Concerns

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Presentation: "Diwali: A Celebration of Light," presented by Rebecca Malke and Robin Proud.

Congregational Sharing

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Katherine Liu.

*Hymn #178 (SLT): "Raghupati," accompanied by Carl Wacker.

Closing Words #523 (SLT): Prayer from India

Thou art the path and the goal that paths never reach. Thou feedest and sustainest all that one sees, or seems. Thou art the trembling grass and the tiger that creeps under it. Thou art the light in the sun and moon, the sounds fading into silence,

and the sanctity of sacred books.

Though are the good that destroys evil.

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 House cleaning is something that has always been done over the years at the time of Diwali. This can be extended to include other green tips such as composting, avoiding plastics and other environment friendly activities, which will be our legacy to future generations of our family.

Parish Meeting and Soup Sunday today! Please stay after the service for a soup lunch and the Fall Parish Meeting! Agenda items include a policies report, fiscal and budget report, committee reports, and a president's report.

Supporting Our Aging Parents Group Join us for our second session of "Supporting Our Aging Parents" group, facilitated by Katherine Peterson and Aileen Nettleton of the Caring Committee. We will meet from 11:45 to 1:30 on Sunday, December 9, in the large classroom downstairs. Share your concerns, stories, and resources with one another. New participants are welcome. We will begin promptly at 11:45 with finger food. Please contact Katherine or Aileen to be sure we make space for you!

The Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, November 27, from 1:30 to 3:20, Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. If convenient, bring your own beverage cup and a few snacks. Newcomers welcome! This month's topic will be "The Elections: Postmortem Comments."

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, November 26, at 6:30pm. This month's potluck will be at the home of Amy Schulz, 2304 S. Seyene Rd, Madison. Please call Amy if you need directions at 273-2639, or call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 if you need more information or would like to arrange a ride.

An Interfaith discussion honoring Wisconsin's Sikh community will be held on Wednesday, December 5, in the Capitol Rotunda. The discussion will continue at Prairie's Meeting House from 6pm to 7pm. Barbara Park will be facilitating the discussion at Prairie. We will also be participating in the Interfaith Week, December 3 through 8. Please stop by and see our booth!

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, November 18, 2012 Saturday.

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service

11:15 Soup Sunday

11:30 Fall Parish Meeting

Sunday, November 25, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service

Monday, November 26, 2012

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

1:30 Prairie Elders meet

Friday, November 30, 2012

6:00 Brews and Stews

Saturday, December 1, 2012

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie

Sunday, December 2, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service

Saturday, December 8, 2012

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast volunteer opportunity

Sunday, December 9, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service

11:45 "Supporting Our Aging Parents" group meets

Monday, December 10, 2012

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, December 16, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – Symbol Tree

11:30 Potluck

Sunday, December 23, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – Music Service

Sunday, December 30, 2012

10:00 Service by Reverend Sandra Ingham

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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:

"Respecting Wisconsin's Environmental Heritage," presented by Don Ferber.

