

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Somebody Bless Us...Please!” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

December 30, 2012



Today's Order of Service

*I live my life in widening circles
That reach out across the world
I may never complete the last one,
But I give myself to it.
– Rainer Maria Rilke*

Prelude: Performed by Mary Frantz

Greeting and Announcements – Rev. Sandra Ingham

Opening Words: “Solstice,” by Diane Lee Moomey.

***Hymn #350 (SLT):** “The Ceaseless Flow of Endless Time,” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Chalice Lighting: “Blessed is the Match,” by Hannah Senesh.

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages: “The Farmer's Luck,” from “Zen Shorts,” by Jon J. Muth

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Hymn #55 (SLT):** “Dark of Winter,” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Reading: “How to Give a Blessing,” by Kathleen McTigue.

Reflections: “Somebody Bless Us...Please!” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

Responsive Reading #544 (SLT): New Year's Day,” by Kathleen McTigue.

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Mary Frantz.

***Hymn #203 (STJ):** “All Creatures of Earth and Sky,” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Closing Words: A Blessing

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 Make every Thursday a Thankful Thursday. We spend so much time thinking about our “opportunities for improvement” that we forget to be thankful for what we have and the successes we have had in being Green. (Idea from thedailygreen.com.)

Lost and Found! A pair of Simmons binoculars and a wooden recorder. Both are safe and sound in the office. If either are yours, please contact Dan Klock (271-8218 or admin@uuprairie.org).

The Winter WomanSpirit 2013 conference, There Is Something About the Women: Art and Activism, will be held from February 1-3 in Brookfield, WI. This year's presenter is Holly Near. For more information and to register online, visit www.womenandreligion.org.

The next Soup Sunday will be on January 13. Join your family and family of friends for good food and excellent conversation. A donation of \$5 is suggested, but as always, guests and visitors are on us!

Prairie's Board will meet on Monday, January 14.

RE will be holding a Children's Chapel on January 6. The first day of classes will be February 13.



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, December 30, 2012

10:00 Service by Reverend Sandra Ingham

Sunday, January 6, 2013

10:00 Service
10:00 RE Children's Chapel
12:00 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, January 13, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Madeline Para on Climate Change
10:00 RE Classes resume
11:30 Soup Sunday

Monday, January 14, 2013

7:00 Prairie Board meeting

Sunday, January 20, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

Sunday, January 27, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service by Reverend Sandy Ingham

Sunday, February 3, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

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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:

Service

