

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“How Clean Energy Can Create a Brighter Future for Wisconsin,” presented by Shahla M. Werner, PhD, Director, Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter.

August 4, 2013

Today's Order of Service

Prelude: “Sheep May Safely Graze,” by J.S. Bach.
Performed by Heidi Hughes, flute, Ruth Calden, recorder,
and Mary Frantz, piano.

Greeting and Announcements – Christina Klock

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Opening Words: Responsive Reading #547 (SLT):

Summer Meditation by Robert T. Weston.

***Hymn #207 (SLT):** “Earth Was Given as a Garden,”
accompanied by Mary Frantz.

Chalice Lighting:

The care of the Earth is our most ancient and most
worthy, and after all our most pleasing responsibility.
To cherish what remains of it and to foster its renewal
is our only hope.

– Wendell Berry

Story for All Ages: “Learning to Fly,” by Sebastian
Meschenmoser. Read by Melinda Gustafson Gervasi.

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

Presentation: “How Clean Energy Can Create a Brighter
Future for Wisconsin,” presented by Shahla M. Werner, PhD,
Director, Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter.

Discussion

Offering & Offertory: “Once in Our Lives,” by Purcell.
Performed by Heidi Hughes, Ruth Calden, and Mary Frantz.

***Hymn #149 (SLT):** “Lift Every Voice and Sing,”
accompanied by Mary Frantz.

Closing Words:

To Make a Prairie

To make a prairie it takes a clover and one bee -
One clover, and a bee,
And revery.
The revery alone will do
If bees are few.
– Emily Dickinson

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 Green up your cook-outs! Use reusable or biodegradable disposable plates and flatware, provide pitchers of water, lemonade, or iced tea instead of buying single-serving beverages (with a marker at the beverage table so guests can mark their cups), and encourage recycling by having a couple of well marked and accessible recycling bins. You can also let guests know where your compost bin is located! If you'll be picnicking at a Wisconsin state park, remember that many picnic areas no longer have trash bins. Carry out what you carry in!

Children's RE classes resume on Sunday, September 8.

Prairie RE's annual Summer Splash will be held on Sunday, August 25 at 2:00 pm at Goodman Aquatic Center. Everyone is welcome to attend! For more information, please see the flier on the bulletin board or contact Rebecca Malke.

The Prairie Book Club will meet on Sunday, August 25, after the service. This month's book is *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, by Michelle Alexander. This is the UUA's Common Read for 2012-2013. You may have heard how the percentage of black and brown prisoners is way above their proportion in the population. Does this mean people of color are more prone to crime? You'll learn why the percentages are so high and you will be angry. Besides being recommended by UUA, the WISDOM/MOSES group that is working to promote alternatives to prison suggests this book. . 336 pages. Suggested by Molly Plunkett and Mary Mullen.

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, August 4, 2013

10:00 Service – Solar Homes by the Sierra Club.
5:30 Prairie Men's Group meets

Sunday, August 11, 2013

10:00 Service – “Foreign Aid Best Practices,” by
Gary Peterson

Sunday, August 18, 2013

10:00 Service by Reverend Sandra Ingham.

Sunday, August 25, 2013

10:00 Service – A presentation by SERRV.
11:30 Prairie Book Club meets to discuss *The
New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the
Age of Colorblindness*
2:00 Summer Splash at Goodman Aquatic Center

Sunday, September 1, 2013

10:00 Service – Labor Day program
5:30 Prairie's Men's Group meets.

Saturday, September 7, 2013

9:00 PrairieWOW meets

Sunday, September 8, 2013

10:00 Service – Water Ceremony
10:00 Children's RE begins

Sunday, September 15, 2013

10:00 Service by Rev. Sandy Ingham

Sunday, September 22, 2013

10:00 Service – “What Will You Do with Your One
Wild and Precious Life?”

Sunday, September 29, 2013

10:00 Service

Sunday, October 6, 2013

10:00 Service – Association Sunday led by Rev.
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:

“Foreign Aid Best Practices,” presented
by Gary Peterson.

