

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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**“Photographs of People, Places, or Things That Inspire Awe,” arranged by Kathy Converse.**

**February 16, 2014**



## Today's Order of Service

**Prelude:** “Rainbow Race,” by Pete Seeger. Performed by Ruth Calden, Rosemarie Lester, Mary Mullen, Dan Proud, and Carl Wacker.

**Welcome and Announcements** – Christina Klock

**Interfaith Power & Light** "National Preach-In on Climate Change," announced by Peter Anderson.

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

### **Opening Words:**

“The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and all science. He to whom this emotion is a stranger, who can no longer pause to wonder and stand rapt in awe, is as good as dead: his eyes are closed.” – Albert Einstein

**\*Hymn (Insert):** “If I Had a Hammer,” by Pete Seeger. Led by Ron Frye.

### **Chalice Lighting:**

"The beauty of the trees, the softness of the air, the fragrance of the grass, speaks to me. The summit of the mountain, the thunder of the sky, speaks to me. The faintness of the stars, the trail of the sun, the strength of fire, and the life that never goes away, they speak to me. And my heart soars." – Chief Dan George

**Story for All Ages:** “Ferdinand the Bull,” read by Randy Converse.

**Singing the Children Out:** Farewell Good Friends

**\*\*Joys and Concerns**

### **Silent Meditation**

**\*Hymn:** “Turn, Turn, Turn,” by Pete Seeger.

**Presentation:** “Photographs of People, Places, and Things That Inspire Awe,” arranged by Kathy Converse.

**Offering & Offertory:** “Snow,” by Pete Seeger. Performed by Ruth Calden, Rosemarie Lester, Mary Mullen, and Dan Proud.

**\*Hymn (Insert):** “This Sweet Brown Earth,” by Pete Seeger.

### **Closing Words:**

“The feeling of awed wonder that science can give us is one of the highest experiences of which the human psyche is capable. It is a deep aesthetic passion to rank with the finest that music and poetry can deliver. It is truly one of the things that make life worth living and it does so, if anything, more effectively if it convinces us that the time we have for living is quite finite.” – Richard Dawkins

### **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:** Landscape with native plants. Native plants typically cost less, use less water, and are easier to care for. Plus, your yard will look right at home.

**The Annual Service Auction** is scheduled for March 9, 2014 12:00 immediately following the Sunday program. We will follow our fun-filled tradition of having Orange Schroeder as our auctioneer. We will also have a silent auction table again this year. Got an idea? Send Kathy Converse an email or give her a call at [conversekrm@gmail.com](mailto:conversekrm@gmail.com), 608-238-1856, 608-239-9385 (cell).

**The next Spanish Speakers Potluck** will be held on February 17 at 6:30 pm at the home of Amy Schulz, 2304 S. Seyene Rd. All levels of Spanish speakers are welcome, including beginners. Bring a dish to pass if you can -- all are welcome! Please contact Rosemary Dorney for more information or to arrange a ride.

**The Prairie Elders** will meet on Tuesday, February 25, at 1:30pm in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. Bring snacks to pass and your own drinking cup, if convenient. Newcomers welcome!

**The Caring Committee** invites you to a “Supporting Our Aging Parents” group at 11:45-1:30 on Sundays, March 2 and March 30. The purpose of these sessions is for us to share our concerns about caring for or supporting our parents as they age. Aileen Nettleton will facilitate the group on behalf of the Caring Committee. Please let Aileen know if you plan to attend.

**The Prairie Book Club** will meet on Sunday, March 16, after the service to discuss *Final Salute: The Story of Unfinished Lives* by Jim Sheeler. *Final Salute* was recommended by Pat Watkins.

### **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

### Monday, February 17, 2014

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck at the home of Amy Schulz.  
7:00 Program Committee meets

### Sunday, February 23, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal  
10:00 Service – “What Really Happens at GA,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham, Kate Liu, and other GA attendees.  
11:30 Mystery Friends party

### Sunday, February 24, 2014

**7:00 Prairie's Board meets**

### Tuesday, February 25, 2014

1:30 Prairie Elders meets

### Saturday, March 1, 2014

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie

### Sunday, March 2, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal  
10:00 Service – “Race to Equity -- A Baseline Report on the State of Racial Disparities in Dane County,” by Erica Nelson and Torry Winn.  
12:00 Humanist Union meets  
11:45 Supporting our Aging Parents group meets  
5:30 Prairie Men's Group meets at Prairie

### Sunday, March 9, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal  
10:00 Service – “Summer in Antarctica,” by John Richards.  
11:30 Soup Sunday  
12:00 Service Auction

### Saturday, March 15, 2014

12:00 Marlborough Park Community Garden sign-up  
5:00 Dunn's Marsh Community Chili Fest

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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:

“What Really Happens at GA,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham, Kate Liu, and other GA attendees.

