

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Pope Francis After One Year in Office,” by Johanna Hatch

March 23, 2014



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: “Tender Flower,” by Burgmuller. Performed by Aileen Nettleton.

Welcome and Announcements – Christina Klock

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Opening Words:

"I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security. . . . More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: 'Give them something to eat' (Mk 6:37)."

– Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*

***Hymn #1 (SLT):** “May Nothing Evil Cross This Door,” accompanied by Marcia Johnson.

Chalice Lighting:

Vain discussions in the present day about the Virgin Birth and other old dogmas need the light of the Chalice to expose them as belonging in the past. Let the light of this Chalice reveal the need for a religion which builds up character, teaches brotherly love, and opens up to the seeker such a world of usefulness and the beauty of holiness.

– Adapted from a quote by Universalist minister Olympia Brown

Story for All Ages: “Big Momma Makes the World”

Singing the Children Out: Farewell Good Friends

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

Presentation: “Pope Francis after One Year in Office,” by Johanna Hatch.

Discussion

Offering & Offertory: “Meditation,” by Schumann.

***Hymn #34 (SLT):** “Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire”

Closing Words:

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

The Caring Committee invites you to a “Supporting Our Aging Parents” group at 11:45-1:30 on Sunday, 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.

Prairie's Spring Fling will be held on Saturday, April 5, at Prairie. Doors open at 5:00pm, with dinner at 5:30, and T-shirt making and games after dinner. Kids 10 and over can stay over night!

Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is March 30 to April 5 One of Prairie's social action commitments is being a buddy church for Midvale Lutheran as they house homeless families as part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which is part of The Road Home. Please consider volunteering to serve dinner or various other jobs to help Prairie honor its commitment to this wonderful organization. You can call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN and the various volunteer jobs (238-6285). You can sign up online by going to this address: <http://nordengs.com/ihn/group.asp?eg=29&u=true>

The RE Committee would like to designate April as Youth Art Month! We invite youth of all ages to bring some artwork that you would like to share with Prairie and we will put it up front for everyone to see. If you are a poet and would like to bring a poem, that is also welcomed especially since April is National Poetry Month. Please bring in your picture, poem or other form of art by Sunday, March 30th. Make sure your name is attached somewhere to your piece so that we know whose is whose.

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, March 23, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – “Pope Francis After One Year in Office,” by Johanna Hatch.
5:30 Pete Seeger Sing-along

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

1:30 Prairie Elders meet

Sunday, March 30, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service
11:45 Supporting our Aging Parents group meets

Saturday, April 5, 2014

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie
5:00 Spring Fling

Sunday, April 6, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service
12:00 Humanist Union meets
5:30 Prairie Men's Group meets

Friday, April 11, 2014

5:00 District Assembly in Wausau begins

Saturday, April 12, 2014

7:00 District Assembly in Wausau continues

Sunday, April 13, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service
11:30 Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Final Salute: The Story of Unfinished Lives

Monday, April 14, 2014

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, April 20, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:15 Easter Egg Hunt at Prairie

Monday, April 21, 2014

7:00 Program Committee meets

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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:

“Madison Urban Ministries on the Move,”
by Linda Ketchum.

