Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"Summer Reads" with Rose and Nevenah Smith

June 12, 2016



Today's Order of Service

Welcome and Announcements: Kathy Converse **Opening Words:**

I could never have dreamt that there were such goings-on in the world between the covers of books, such sandstorms and ice blasts of words, such staggering peace, such enormous laughter, such and so many blinding bright lights, splashing all over the pages in a million bits and pieces all of which were words, words, words, and each of which were alive forever in its own delight and glory and oddity and light – Dylan Thomas

*Hymn #361 (SLT): "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

Chalice Lighting:

"Reading is the sole means by which we slip, involuntarily, often helplessly, into another's skin, another's voice, another's soul." – Joyce Carol Oates

Silent Meditation

**Joys and Concerns

*Hymn #207 (SLT): "Earth Was Given as a Garden"

Presentation: "Summer Reads" with Nevenah and Rose Smith

Discussion and Book Sharing

Offering shared with Madison-area Urban Ministries.

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors

*Hymn #346 (SLT): "Come, Read a Book with Me" Lyrics on insert. Sung to the tune of "Come, Sing a Song with Me"

Closing Words:

"It is only a novel... or, in short, only some work in which the greatest powers of the mind are displayed, in which the most thorough knowledge of human nature, the happiest delineation of its varieties, the liveliest effusions of wit and humour, are conveyed to the world in the best-chosen language"

— Jane Austen

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 Tip: Water thoroughly but infrequently. Many grasses and prairie plants prefer a good soaking, but like to have their roots dry out between waterings. Too frequent watering can cause the plants to develop a shallow root system, making them susceptible to disease and drought.

The children will be going to the park today and returning to Prairie around 11:00.

Offertory collection this Sunday and for the month of June will be shared with Madison Urban Ministry (MUM). MUM is a private nonprofit organization that provides services and support to individuals and families that have been effected by the criminal justice system.

The Prairie Book Club will meet on Sunday, June 19, to discuss The Glass Castle, a memoir by Jeanette Walls. The book recounts the unconventional, poverty-stricken upbringing Walls and her siblings had at the hands of their deeply dysfunctional parents. Description from Wikipedia. As of 2007, this book had sold 2.7 million copies and had been translated into 22 languages. 289 pages. Suggested by Chris Porter.

Mark your calendars! The annual joint service with the Free Congregation of Sauk County will be held on July 24. The service will be held at the Free Congregation's Park Hall in Sauk City.

The Humanist Union will meet on Sunday, July 10, the second Sunday of July. The meeting will start at Noon with a potluck lunch, followed by photos by Ingrid Laas of the Reason Rally in Washington, D.C. and a discussion on expanding Humanist Union programming.

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, June 13, 2016

7:00 Program Committee meets

Sunday, June 19, 2016

10:00 Service: "The Journey – Jubilant and Joyful,

Jolting and Jaded" – Rev. Ingham

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:30 Book Club

Sunday, June 26, 2016

10:00 Service: "Inherent Worth and Dignity of Every

Person" – Anne Urbanski

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Friday, July 1, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, July 2, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

Sunday, July 3, 2016

10:00 Service: "What is 'Conscience'?" – Ken

Haydock

Sunday, July 10, 2016

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Monday, July 11, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets

7:00 Program Committee meets

Sunday, July 17, 2016

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:30 Book Club

Sunday, July 24, 2016

10:00 Service: Joint service with the Free

Congregation of Sauk County in Sauk City

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Sunday, July 31, 2016

10:00 Service

Friday, August 5, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

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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:

"The Journey – Jubilant and Joyful, Jolting and Jaded," by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

