

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Circle of Support”

John Givens, Madison-Area Urban Ministries

August 21, 2016

Today's Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Dan Haug.

Welcome and Announcements: Barbara Park

Opening Words:

“Each person holds so much power within themselves that needs to be let out. Sometimes they just need a little nudge, a little direction, a little support, a little coaching, and the greatest things can happen.”

– Pete Carroll, Seattle Seahawks' head coach

***Hymn #307 (SLT):** “The Human Touch Can Light the Flame,” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

August Global Chalice Lighting:

Lengthening summer light does not lift the shadows that have fallen on humanity the world over.
We re-light our chalice flame to re-ignite a spirit of radical optimism,
Knowing it takes us all living what matters, to dispel those who would divide us.
All manner of things will be well, if we make them well.
May our chalice communities embody the right relationships our world so desperately needs.
– Steve Dick, ICUU

Story for All Ages: “Book, Ink and Feather,” told by Rosemarie Lester.

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

Presentation: “Circle of Support,” by John Givens, Madison-Area Urban Ministries

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Dan Haug.

Today's offering will be shared with the Literacy Network.

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Hymn #124:** “Be That Guide”

Closing Words #501: “Spirit of Community...”

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.

This week's tech assistant is Al Nettleton.

Announcements

Offertory to be shared with Literacy Network this month. And many thanks for the \$60 raised to help shelter a transgender homeless man.

Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, August 23, at 1:30pm in Prairie's Annex. Come ready to discuss your top 5 favorite movies! Bring a snack to pass if possible. Coffee and tea provided. For more information about the Elders, contact Al Nettleton (238-6053) or Penny Eiler (395-2423).

Today is Gay Pride parade - please join us in marching with other UU's gathering at 12 and marching at 1 pm from the 500-600 block of state street.

On Friday 8/26 Prairie will be preparing and serving a meal for the Allied Neighborhood Association with two other churches. It is a Hispanic themed meal (think tacos) as the neighborhood is increasingly Hispanic. We hope to have some music and will describe Allied Partners, our individual churches and announce recipients of two \$500 scholarships from Allied Partners. It would be REALLY GREAT if you could join us to help and stay for dinner.

Please sign up after the service if interested in being part of a Circle of Support.

Have you enjoyed your Circle Dinner experiences in the past and would like to be instrumental in helping others have that good experience? Have we got the job for you! The Membership Committee is looking for someone who would like to be the organizer. Rick Ruecking was the organizer last year, so he would be the best person to talk to if you are interested, but you can also talk to anyone else on the committee (Erin Bosch, Heidi Hughes, Dan Proud).

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

Tuesday, August 23, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Sunday, August 28, 2016

10:00 Service: "UU Sci-Fi," by Robin Proud.

Friday, September 2, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, September 3, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 Prairie WOW

Sunday, September 4, 2016

10:00 Service: In-Gathering Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, September 11, 2016

10:00 Service

11:45 Board meets

Monday, September 12, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets

7:00 Program Committee meets

Sunday, September 18, 2016

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:30 RE Committee meets

11:45 Book Club

Sunday, September 25, 2016

10:00 Service

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Saturday, October 1, 2016

9:00 Prairie WOW

Sunday, October 2, 2016

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Friday, October 7, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, October 8, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

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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:

"Out of this World: UUs and Science Fiction," by Robin Proud.

