

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“It Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time”

Rev. Sandra Ingham

October 16, 2016



Today's Order of Service

“It is in this country [Transylvania] that the Unitarian religion has, in the face of cruel and almost perpetual oppressions and persecutions, maintained an unbroken and heroic existence during well-nigh four centuries.”

– Rev. Dr. Earl Morse Wilbur

Prelude: “Hobed o Hilion,” Welsh folk tune. Performed by Molly Plunkett (harp), Peter Anderson (recorder), and Dan Proud (harp).

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Sandra Ingham

Prairie Testimonial: Penny Eiler

Opening Words #540: “The Peace of Autumn”

***Opening Hymn #300 (SLT):** “With Heart and Mind,” accompanied by Mike Briggs.

Chalice Lighting

Story for All Ages: Frederick, by Leo Lionni.

Children's Recessional: By Joyce Poley

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

***Hymn #286:** “A Core of Silence”

Reading: “My Testimony,” by Rev. David Blanchard.

Reflections: “It Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

Responsive Reading #566: “God Is One,” by Francis David, adapted by Richard Fewkes.

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory: “There Is Time,” by Terry Spear. Performed by Dan Proud (guitar).

Today's offering will be shared with Project Respect.

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Closing Hymn #287:** “Faith of the Larger Liberty”

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

We will donate half of our offering to Project Respect for all of October. Project Respect provides social services, advocacy, and peer support for adult and child victims of prostitution and sex trafficking in Dane County.

Twice a year, Prairie offers an informational meeting for new members and recent visitors. The fall session will be on Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to noon. This meeting is open to all Prairie members. We will share personal religious backgrounds and journeys. Co-leaders Rev. Sandy and Rick Ruecking will present some Unitarian Universalist and Prairie history and give information about how Prairie is organized and how it operates. Continental breakfast provided. *Child care available upon request.* Please contact Erin Bosch to RSVP (hillfarms2002@yahoo.com).

You are invited to the Memorial Service for Orie Loucks at the Atrium, First Unitarian Society, 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 29. Join family and friends to honor and celebrate the life of one of Prairie’s “heroes.” Prairie’s emphasis on the Seventh UU Principle, before it was a UU principle, is in major part due to Orie’s commitment and leadership.

Do you have anything related to Prairie history? Then the History Committee would like to hear from you! Contact Mary Mullen, the Committee's chair, at mmullen4337@charter.net or 298-0843.

Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Kate Tucker, 4504 Camden Road in Madison. Bring a dish to pass if you can – if not, come anyway! Contact Kate at 221-2168 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information or to arrange a ride.

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, October 17, 2016

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck meets

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

1:30 History Committee meets

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

7:00 Board meets in the Annex

Sunday, October 23, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Saturday, October 29, 2016

10:30 Memorial Service for Orié Loucks at FUS

Sunday, October 30, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

Saturday, November 5, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 PrairieWOW

Sunday, November 6, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in Annex

11:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Thursday, November 10, 2016

6:30 Humanist Union Movie Night in the Annex

Saturday, November 12, 2016

9:00 Introduction to Prairie in the Annex

Sunday, November 13, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 Book Club meets

11:45 Board meets

Monday, November 14, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets

Sunday, November 20, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in Annex

11:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:45 Parish Meeting

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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:

“World Community,” by a panel of Prairie members.

