

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"A Cold, Hard Look at Reality"

by Rev. Sandra Ingham

November 12, 2017

Announcements

Order of Service

"Not everything that is faced can be changed. But nothing can be changed until it is faced." – James Baldwin

Prelude: Performed by Mary Frantz.

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Sandra Ingham

Opening Words

***Opening Hymn #119 (SLT):** "Once to Every Soul and Nation" Aileen Nettleton, accompanist.

Chalice Lighting

Story for All Ages: Whoever You Are, by Mem Fox.

Children's Recessional: by Joyce Poley.

*As you go on your way, may you be filled with gladness.
Go in joy, go in joy!
May fortune bless your day with peace and loving kindness.
Go in love, go in love.*

Joys and Concerns

Silent Meditation

***Hymn #112 (SLT):** Do You Hear?"

Reading: "Expectations", by Rev. John Buehrens.

Reflections: "A Cold, Hard Look at Reality," by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

Responsive Reading #594 (SLT): "Principles and Purposes for All of Us"

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Mary Frantz.

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

***Closing Hymn #32 (Prairie Song Book or handout):**
"I'm On My Way"

Closing Words

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.
Al Nettleton is today's tech assistant.

We will share our offering for the rest of the year with Beacon House, the homeless day shelter which opened Oct. 16. The shelter offers laundry facilities, counseling, and help finding employment, as well as a place to stay warm and fed during the day. Prairie is trying to do its part!

Annual Fall Parish meeting next Sunday, November 19! We'll be discussing and voting on the 2018 budget, a change to the Board of Trustees, and bieng a Buddy Congregation to a Sanctuary Congregation. Please attend!

Tonight at 6:30 p.m. the Social Action Committee will hold at Prairie a viewing of the documentary "13th" by director Ava Duvernay. The movie has received many awards since its 2016 release. It traces the history of the 13th constitutional amendment which freed slaves, but then shows how enslavement of blacks has in fact continued: through our criminal justice system, the war on drugs, mass incarcerations of blacks and their disenfranchisement. The run time for the movie is 100 minutes. It is gripping. We expect some folks will want to discuss afterward. We will have popcorn (thanks Gary), cookies and maybe some cider and snacks. BYO(other forms of)B.

Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, November 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the Annex. All Prairie members and friends of retirement age are welcome! Bring a snack to pass if convenient. Coffee and tea provided.

The Book Club meets today after the service in the Meeting Hall to discuss The Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan. The December 10 book selection is Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis by J.D. Vance

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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Calendar

Sunday, November 12, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service: "A Cold, hard Look at Reality"
10:00 5th - 6th grade OWL in Annex
11:30 Board meets in Annex
6:30 Movie: "13th"

Friday, November 17, 2017

6:00 RE Moms Movie Night in the Meeting Hall

Sunday, November 19, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service: "Giant Leaps and Baby Steps"
10:00 5th - 6th grade OWL in Annex
11:30 Soup Sunday
12:00 Parish Meeting

Sunday, November 26, 2017

10:00 Service: "You've Got to Be Carefully Taught"

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

1:30 Prairie Elders in Annex

Friday, December 1, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, December 2, 2017

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast
9:00 PrairieWOW in Annex

Sunday, December 3, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:45 Humanist Union in Meeting House

Monday, December 4, 2017

6:30 Program Committee in Annex

Sunday, December 10, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
10:00 5th - 6th grade OWL in Annex
11:30 Board meets in Annex
11:45 Book Club in Meeting Hall

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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:
"Giant Leaps and Baby Steps," by Peter Anderson.

