



"The Gospel According to...Me," by Erin Bosch

Order of Service

January 5, 2020

Prelude: Performed by Amber Bruns

Welcome and Announcements: Robin Proud

Opening Words: from Ecclesiastes 3:1. Read by Margit Moses.

***Opening Hymn #18 (Handout):** "Turn, Turn, Turn" Amber Bruns, accompanist.

Chalice Lighting: by Christian Schmidt and Alexis Capen. Read by Morris Sadicario.

We light this chalice for our children and youth, and for us: celebrating the flame of faith lit in each of us, honoring the light each of us bring into the world, rejoicing in the community we create together.

Story for all Ages: The Good Samaritan

Joys and Concerns

Moment of Silence

Presentation: "The Gospel According to...Me," by Erin Bosch.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Welcome Ceremony: Audrey and Coraline

Closing Words: read in unison.

We want to be part of your world, responsible for guarding your life, your freedom, and your opportunities.

Today we also think of the other children of your generation, whose welfare is inseparable from your own.

May we make the world more just and peaceful for you and for all those whose lives are to be linked with yours.

On this day of great joy and promise, we dedicate ourselves to you precious one, and to all children everywhere.

***Closing Hymn #118 (SLT):** "This Little Light of Mine"

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

We share our offering each week with a local non-profit which supports our community. In the past we have donated to Catalyst, Tenant Resource Center, Allied Wellness Center, The Beacon day shelter, the Street Pulse Newspaper, and other non-profits.

Parish Meeting January 26! We will continue our discussion about the role of a minister at Prairie. The Program Committee is planning a shortened service to leave more time for discussion during the meeting. Please have your voice heard and attend!

The Humanist Union has suspended their meetings until the Meeting House has reopened.

NEW Group!!! Prairie Unitarian Universalist Parents (PUUPs) Come and join fellow Prairie parents/caregivers (non-members are welcome as well!) to snack (please bring a snack to share) and talk with fellow parents/caregivers. We will have free on-site childcare upstairs. Located at The Annex, 2006 Whonona Drive the 3rd Saturday of every month 9-11am.

MidAmerica Regional Assembly will be held on April 18 in Rockford, IL, just an hour away! The keynote speaker will be Taquiena Boston, Special Advisor to the UUA President for Institutional Inclusion, Equity, and Change. See www.uua.org/midamerica/ra/2020 for more information.

Please take a moment to help us clean up by:

- returning your hymnal to the cart
- returning your Order of Service to the cart
- and tidying up around your seat.

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.

Calendar

Sunday services meet at Oak Park Place. All other events and meetings will be in the Annex unless otherwise noted.

Sunday, January 12, 2020

- 8:45 Choir rehearsal
 10:00 Service: "Who Saved the Electric Car," by John Wunderlin.
 11:45 Board

Saturday, January 18, 2020

- 9:00 PUUP (Prairie UU Parents)

Sunday, January 19, 2020

- 8:45 Choir rehearsal
 10:00 OWL Grades 4-6
 10:00 Service: "Troublemaker for Justice – The Story of Bayard Rustin," by Jacqueline Houtman.

Sunday, January 26, 2020

- 8:45 Choir rehearsal
 10:00 OWL Grades 4-6
 10:00 Short Service
 10:45 **Parish Meeting**

Saturday, February 1, 2020

- 5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast at Grace Episcopal
 9:00 Prairie WOW

Sunday, February 2, 2020

- 8:45 Choir rehearsal
 10:00 OWL Grades 4-6
 10:00 Service: Imbolc

Sunday, February 9, 2020

- 8:45 Choir rehearsal
 10:00 OWL Grades 4-6
 10:00 Service
 11:45 Board meeting

Saturday, February 15, 2020

- 9:00 PUUP (Prairie UU Parents)

Prairie Staff and Board Members

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Upcoming Services

Sunday, January 12, 2020

"Who Saved the Electric Car," by John Wunderlin.

Sunday, January 19, 2020

"Bayard Rustin: Troublemaker for Justice," by Jacqueline Houtman

Bayard Rustin was a gay African American activist. From his Quaker upbringing to his role as a mentor to Dr. King and organizer of the 1963 March on Washington, he was an influential but largely unrecognized figure in the Civil Rights movement. For adults and children 13 and up.

Sunday, January 26, 2020

Parish Meeting

We will have a brief service, then move right into the meeting. We'll be continuing the discussion on ministry at Prairie. Please have your voice heard and attend!

Sunday, February 2, 2020

Imbolc



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.