

Calendar

Sunday, October 22

11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting on a minister and on the resolution against the death penalty

12:15 p.m. Book Group discussion of "Speak, Memory"

5:00 p.m. Humanist Union potluck and meeting with guest speaker Prof. Dennis Collins

Tuesday, October 24

2:00 p.m. Prairie Elders at Oakwood West

Wednesday, October 25

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

7:30 p.m. Deaton-Park Covenant Group Meeting

Thursday, Oct 26

7:30 p.m. Social Action Meeting

Sunday, October 29

10:00 a.m. Day of the Dead Celebration led by Dorothy Krause and Ruth Calden

Wednesday, November 1

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

Sunday, November 5

10:00 a.m. "Composing for UU's" presented by Jim Reilly

Wednesday, November 8

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

7:30 p.m. Program Committee Meeting

Sunday, November 12

11:30 Book Group discusses "Please Don't Come Back from the Moon".

Monday, November 13

7:00 p.m. EnAct Class

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

Sunday, October 22, 2006

Prelude: Mike Briggs

Welcome: Ken Skog, Chair of Long Range Planning

Opening Words - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

As we gather together this morning,

May we learn to recognize and affirm

The pieces of possibility --

The bits of good -- we bring.

May we encourage rather than control;

Love rather than possess;

Enable rather than disappoint.

Allowing our individual gifts to weave a patchwork of shared ministry,

Each of us is indispensable

If we are to minister to a broken and wounded world.

Together, in our gathered diversity, let us embrace this Beloved Community.

May it be so. -- (Bets Wienecke)

***Hymn:** #347 "Gather the Spirit", *Singing the Living Tradition*

Chalice Lighting: Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

The Light of Truth, *Richard M. Fewkes*

As we light our chalice may we appreciate these words:

May the Light of Truth illumine our minds,

May the Spark of Love set our hearts on fire,

May the Flame of Freedom burn brightly within us,

Now and as we go forward. .

Silent Meditation (one minute)

Story for All Ages "Stone Soup" as told from the oral tradition:

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Song as children go downstairs

[melody of # 400, "Shalom Havayreem"]

(Sing each phrase twice.)

Farewell, good friends... Farewell...

Till we meet again... Farewell...

Evolution ^{early} Dittis? ^{Madison} ^{Madison} ^{Madison}
March on - Kathy
Feb - Andy
3 Today

Joys and Concerns

Presentation -

"Ministrone for Healthier Congregations" Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Discussion

Possibility ^{Do}
Nifty Gifty on Dec 10

Offertory: Mike Briggs

Prairie Announcements.

(Additional announcements are in your order of service.)

*Hymn: #318 "We Would Be One" Singing the Living Tradition

Closing Words: Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

There is, finally, only one thing required of us: that is, to take life whole, the sunlight and shadows together; to live the life that is given us with courage and humor and truth.

We have such a little moment out of the vastness of time for all our wondering and loving. Therefore let there be no half-heartedness; rather, let the soul be ardent in its pain, in its yearning, in its praise.

Then shall peace enfold our days, and glory shall not fade from our lives.
- From Rev. Kendyl Gibbons

Postlude: Mike Briggs

Rock, Aileen
Memorial Notebook

*Stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! Please stay for coffee and fellowship following the program. We wish to thank these people for making today's program possible: Reverend Ralph Tyksinski for presenting. Ken Skog, presider, Mike Briggs, accompanist and Susan Herr-Hoyman, coordinator from the program committee.

Announcements

Special Parish Meeting will be held at 11:30 today, to vote on the candidacy of Rev. Ralph Tyksinski and on the adoption of the resolution below

Resolved: That Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society of Madison is opposed to returning the death penalty to Wisconsin. The willful taking of a human life by the state violates our belief in the intrinsic worth of every human being. We believe the state should continue to impose nonviolent penalties for violent crimes to set a positive example aimed at reducing the violence in our society. We believe capital punishment degrades and brutalizes any society which practices it. We find the death penalty particularly abhorrent because it is based on an unjustified assumption of infallibility in the process of determining guilt, with the greatest risk of error being borne by those who are economically disadvantaged. We find the death penalty wholly unacceptable, whether imposed to prevent repetition of a crime by an individual, as a deterrent to others, or as social retribution.

Prof. Denis Collins will be speaking to a potluck supper gathering at Prairie this evening on his new book, "Behaving Badly: Ethical Lessons from Enron." Prof. Collins is an award winning author and teacher. He is Professor of Business at Edgewood College, where he teaches Social Responsibility and Business Ethics components in the school's Business Programs. The meeting is being jointly sponsored by the Humanist Union and the Madison Ethical Discussion Group, and all Prairie members and friends are welcome to attend. The potluck starts at 5:00 pm, with Prof. Collins' presentation starting soon after that.

Parent-Teacher Coffees will be held as follows. These sessions will meet downstairs, after the service.

- Oct. 29 3-4-5
- Nov. 5 K-1-2

Book Group meets today and also on November 12 and December 10. See Prairie Fire for details on the books. Everyone is welcome.