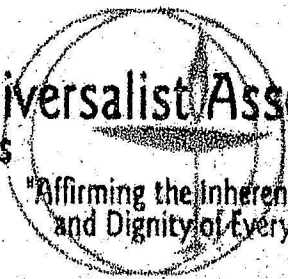


Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations



"Affirming the Inherent Worth
and Dignity of Every Person"

The Principles of the UUA:

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 peace, liberty, and justice for all;*
- *Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.*

The living tradition we share draws from many sources:

- *Direct experience that transcends mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces that create and uphold life;*
- *Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;*
- *Wisdom from the world's religions which inspire us in our ethical and spiritual life;*
- *Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;*
- *Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit*
- *Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.*

Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

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Prairie Unitarian-Universalist Society

Madison, Wisconsin

May 6, 2007

Musical Prelude: "Alexander's Ragtime Band" --- the Prairie Band, with the congregation on the chorus (see lyrics on reverse).

Welcome

Chalice lighting: "A song is only as good as the number of times it is sung...for music to live, it must be sung." --- Irving Berlin (1888-1989)

Moment of Silence

Joys and Concerns

From Israel Bailin to Irving Berlin: Russian emigre, Manhattan street busker, singing waiter, vaudeville, Broadway, Hollywood, and again to Broadway --- coordinated by Warren Hagstrom

"Won't You Play a Simple Melody" (1915) --- the Prairie choir, Barbara Park, director

"When I Lost You" (1912) --- Barb Park, Doleta Chapru on piano

"Oh! How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning" (1918) --- Men's choir, Doleta on piano

"What'll I Do?" (1924) --- Rosemarie Lester with accordion

"Steppin Out with My Baby" (Easter Parade, 1948) --- Paula Pachiarz, Carl Wacker on piano

"It's a Lovely Day Today" (Call Me Madam, 1950) --- Susan Hagstrom, Doleta on piano

"Fella with an Umbrella" (Easter Parade) --- Rosemarie Lester, Dean Schroeder, Doleta on piano

"Anything You Can Do" (Annie Get Your Gun, 1946) --- Doleta Chapru and Warren Hagstrom, Carl Wacker on piano

"There's No Business Like Show Business" (Annie, 1946) --- Anne Urbanski, Doleta on piano
Chorus: the congregation (see lyrics on reverse)

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Offertory

Prairie Announcements

Reprise: "There's No Business Like Show Business" (All)

Alexander's Ragtime Band. Chorus:

Come on and hear, Come on and hear,
Alexander's rag-time band,
Come on and hear, Come on and hear,
It's the best band in the land,
They can play a bugle call
like you never heard before,
So natural, that you want to go to war,

That's just the bestest band what am,
honey lamb, Come on along, come on along,
Let me take you by the hand, Up to the man
Up to the man, who's the leader of the band,
And if you care to hear the Swanee River
Played in ragtime, Come on and hear,
Come on and hear,
Alexander's rag-time band.

There's No Business Like Show Business. Chorus:

There's no Business Like Show Business
Like no business I know,
Everything about it is appealing, Ev'ry thing the traffic will allow,
No-where can you get that happy feeling,
When you are stealing that extra bow,
There's no people like show people,
They smile when they are low.
Even with a turkey that you know will fold,
You may be stranded out in the cold,
Still you wouldn't change it for a sack of gold,
Let's go on with the show.

Calendar

Wednesday, May 2

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal at Prairie

Sunday, May 6

12:00 noon. Humanist Union potluck and program led by Randy Converse

Monday, May 7

6:00 p.m. EnAct potluck and meeting

7:30 p.m. Hospitality and Membership Committee meets

Wednesday, May 9

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal at Prairie

Thursday, May 10

6:30 p.m. Everyday Spiritual Practice Covenant Group meets

Sunday, May 13

10:00 a.m. "Memories, Meanings and Mother's Day" presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

11:30 a.m. Book club lunch and discussion of *The Plot Against America*

Wednesday, May 16

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal at Prairie

Sunday, May 20

10:00 a.m. "Controversies about Teaching Evolution" presented by Robert Weitzel

Wednesday, May 23

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal at Prairie

6:30 p.m. Spanish Speakers potluck at the home of Prudence Barber

Thursday, May 24

7:00 p.m. Prairie Film Group meets

Announcements

Humanist Union May Program

Today after the service, Randy Converse will lead us in a discussion of ideas from a monograph by his brother, Steven Converse, entitled *Free Enough: Doing What Comes Naturally*. If you are interested in learning more about naturalism, please join us. We start with a potluck lunch at noon, followed by Randy's presentation and discussion from about 12:20 to 1:30 pm.

Spanish Speakers will meet next on Wednesday, May 23, 6:30 p.m. at the new residence of Prudence Barber, 1104 Mound St, Apt. C. For directions or rides, call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382.

Prairie Fire deadline is today. Please send items to prouds@tds.net or admin@uuprairie.org

Book Group's next selection is *The Plot Against America* by Phillip Roth, to be discussed on Sunday, May 13 after a potluck lunch.

Memorial Day Sunday, May 27, we will have an outdoor service at Prairie, followed by a picnic on the grounds. In case of rain, we will meet and picnic indoors.

Lawn mowing: We depend upon the kindness of volunteers for summer mowing. If you are willing to look after the lawn for a two-week period this year, notify Al Nettleton. Prairie has a new lawn mower and it takes about two hours to mow.

Prairie 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.

Prairie UU Society Mission Statement

(adopted November 21, 1999)

Prairie is a diverse, lay-led congregation. We aspire to be both open-hearted and open-minded. We welcome all who enter our doors with any combination of strengths and weaknesses, beliefs and doubts.

Our small size allows us to be like an extended family: we aspire to support one another and nurture the growth of each of our members. By sharing joys and sorrows, we keep each other company on the journey through life.

We seek to learn with and from each other in an atmosphere that respects diverse ideas, lifestyles, cultures, and wisdom traditions. Our shared values include respect for all forms of life and stewardship of the environment. Helping our youth to understand and appreciate these values is part of our mission.

We seek to promote dignity, worth, and justice for people worldwide by supporting individual and collective social action.

2006-2007 Officers and Committee Chairs

(Officers and committee chairs are elected to one-year terms in April.)

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Membership—Paula Pachciarz

Program—Mary Mullen & Dorothy Krause

Religious Education—Rachel Long

Social Action—Sarah Lord & Dan Proud

A Welcoming Congregation

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society welcomes people from various ethnicities, religious backgrounds, and sexual orientations.