

Calendar

Tuesday, May 22

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

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

Sunday, May 27

10:00 a.m. Memorial Day service led by Rev. Ralph, followed by a picnic at Prairie

Wednesday, May 30

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal at Prairie

Sat. 2 June - work day, Al.

Sunday, June 3

10:00 a.m. Transition Sunday

Sunday, June 10

"Summertime is Coming" presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Wednesday-Sunday, June 20-24

UUA General Assembly, Portland, Oregon

Saturday, June 23

Prairie Fund Raising Trip to Milwaukee

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Sunday, May 20, 2007

Prelude - Aileen Nettleton

Morning Has Broken

Welcome - Dirk Herr-Hoyman,

Prairie UU Treasurer

Opening Words – Kathy Converse

The womb of stars embraces us; remnants of their fiery furnaces pulse through our veins.

We are of the stars, the dust of the explosions cast across space.

We breathe and live in the breath of ancient plants and beasts.

Their cells nourish the soil; we build our communities on their harvest of gifts.

Our fingers trace the curves carved in clay and stone by forebears unknown to us.

We are part of the great circle of humanity gathered around the fire, the hearth, the altar.

We gather anew this day to celebrate our common heritage.

May we recall in gratitude all that has given us birth.

*Hymn #343 - *A Firemist and a Planet*

Accompanist: Aileen Nettleton

Chalice Lighting

You shall know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

John 8

Moment of Silent Meditation

Joys and Sorrows

Responsive Reading 650 - *Cherish your doubts*
UU Robert Weston

Presentation - "*Creationism in Public Schools:
A Very (Very) Brief History*"
Robert Weitzel

Discussion

Offertory: Aileen Nettleton
Tambourin, Rameau

Introduction of guests and visitors

Prairie Announcements

*Hymn # 345 - *With Joy We Claim the Growing Light*

Closing words – Kathy Converse

*Go your ways, knowing not the answers to all things,
yet seeking always the answer to one more thing than you know.*
UU John W. Brigham

**Stand as you are able.*

Our speaker today, Bob Weitzel, taught Earth Science in middle and high school for 12 years. His essays regularly appear in *The Capital Times*. He has also been published in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, *Skeptic Magazine*, *Freethought Today* and on the web sites, *CommonDreams.org* and *FightingBob.com*. Our musician today is Aileen Nettleton and our presider is Dirk Herr-Hoyman.

Announcements

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

Prairie Elders May topic is "Current Threats to the Separation of Church and State".

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.

Film Group will view *Brothers*, a Danish film, on May 24 at 7:00 p.m. See Prairie Fire for more details.

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.

Fundraising Trip to Milwaukee will be on Saturday, June 23. This trip will include a visit to Boerner Botanical Gardens, followed by a gourmet lunch and the Pissarro exhibit at the Milwaukee Art Museum. See Prairie Fire for details or contact Pat Watkins. Deadline for payment is May 27.

Humanist Union will meet next on June 3 at noon for potluck and a presentation by Andy Somers on religious propaganda.