

# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

**Sunday, November 18, 2007**

Prelude – Ruth Calden, playing the quena

Welcome - Rachel Long, Prairie President

Opening Words:

Seeing comes before words. The child looks and recognizes before it can speak. But there is another sense in which seeing comes before words. It is the seeing which establishes our place in the surrounding world. The relation between what we see and what we know is never settled. (John Berger)

Chalice Lighting

Hymn # 381 – *Unitarian Universalist Doxology*  
Doleta Chapru, Accompanist

From all that dwell below the skies  
Let songs of hope and faith arise,  
Let peace goodwill on earth be sung  
From every land, by every tongue.

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

Presentation – “Ways of Seeing”  
First of two programs presented by Rick Ruecking)

Offertory - Doleta Chapru

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements:

(Some announcements are in your order of service.)

\*Hymn #94<sup>174</sup> – *Faith is a Forest*

Closing Words –

*We saw it and yet we didn't see it. Or rather we were trained not to see it. It was a puzzling thing. The truth knocks on the door and you say, "Go away, I'm looking for the truth," and so it goes away. Puzzling.*

Robert Pirsig

\*Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Today's presider is longtime Prairie member, Rick Ruecking and our musicians are Doleta Chapru and Ruth Calden. Please join us for coffee and conversation.

## **Announcements**

**Blood Drive** listed for November 24 will take place at James Reeb UU Congregation, 2146 E. Johnson, rather than at Prairie. Time is 8:00 to noon, and no appointment is necessary.

**Who Are UU?** Session for those new to Unitarian Universalism will take place today after the service. Rev. Ralph Tyksinski will be on hand to give an overview of our heritage.

**Prairie Fire** deadline is today. Please send items to [admin@uuprairie.org](mailto:admin@uuprairie.org).

**Spanish Speakers** will meet for potluck and conversation, Thursday, Nov 29, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Fernanda Leporace, 1338 E. Mifflin St. For directions or information, call Fernanda at 772-0931 or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382.

**Midweek Meal** is canceled for Wednesday, November 21. Instead, please join participants from the 3 UU congregations for a special **Thanksgiving program**, here at Prairie at 7:00 pm.

**Prairie Elders** will meet on November 27 to discuss the topic "How Can Individuals Help Meet the Needs of the Iraqi People?"

## Calendar

### **Sunday, November 18**

11:30 a.m. "Who are UU?" session led by Rev. Ralph

11:45 a.m. Board meeting

### **Monday, November 19**

7:30 p.m. Caring Committee meeting

### **Wednesday, November 21**

7:00 p.m. Joint Thanksgiving service at Prairie

### **Saturday, November 24**

8:00 a.m. Blood Drive at James Reeb UU

### **Sunday, November 25**

10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Intergenerational Service led by Mary Mullen

### **Tuesday, November 27**

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

### **Thursday, November 29**

6:30 p.m. Spanish Speakers potluck

### **Sunday, December 2**

10:00 a.m. "Religion's Biology"

11:45 a.m. Parish Meeting and potluck

### **Sunday, December 9**

10:00 a.m. "Ways of Seeing – Part 2" presented by Rick Ruecking