

# **PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY**

Whenona Drive, Madison 53711  
<http://uuprairie.org>  
Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

**Sunday, March 8, 2009**

**Prelude** - "I Ain't Marchin' Anymore," by Phil Ochs  
performed by Dan Proud, Roc Ordman, and Kelly McPherson

**Welcome** - Rachel Long, Prairie President

**Hymn #25 (Prairie Song Book)** "Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream"  
accompanied by Dan Proud, Roc Ordman, and Kelly McPherson, & Mary Mullen

## **Chalice Lighting**

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change the world;  
indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

## **Silent Meditation**

## **Joys and Concerns**

## **Presentation**

"Military Recruiting Abuse: What We Can Do"  
presented by Vicki Bereson

## **Discussion**

## **Offering**

**Offertory** - "Universal Soldier," Buffy Sainte-Marie  
performed by Dan Proud, Roc Ordman, and Kelly McPherson

**Welcoming of Guests and Visitors**

## Prairie Announcements

(additional announcements are in your order of service.)

### Hymn - "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?"

Verse 1. Where have all the flowers gone? - long time passing

Where have all the flowers gone? - long time ago

Where have all the flowers gone? - girls have picked them everyone

When will they ever learn? When will they ever learn?

Verse 2. Where have all the young girls .... - they've taken husbands every one...

Verse 3. Where have all the young men .... - gone for soldiers every one...

Verse 4. Where have all the soldiers... - gone to graveyards every one...

Verse 5. Where have all the graveyards... - gone to flowers every one...

### Closing Words

Take courage friends

The way is often hard, the path is never clear,  
and the stakes are very high;

Take courage.

For deep down, there is another truth:  
you are not alone.

Wayne B. Arnason

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*Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Many thanks to all who contributed to making this service possible. Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship.*

## Announcements

### **Spanish Speakers to meet Monday, March 23, 2009**

Potluck at the home of Amy Schulz and Dave Welo, 2304 S. Syene Rd, 6:30 pm. Please call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information or to arrange a ride.

### **Tip of the Week from the Green Committee**

Green Idea # 7: If you need to use disposable dishes, try these out: Chinet Casuals are made with recycled paper, and Whole Foods 365 brand bowls and plates use biodegradable sugar cane.

### **Brief Parish Meeting TODAY, March 8, 2009 at 11:45**

A congregational vote is needed prior to submitting the application for the Green Sanctuary program to the UUA. Please attend this short, but important, meeting.

### **Prairie Pledge Luncheon, Sunday, March 15, 2009 at 11:45 am**

The finance committee warmly invites you to attend the Prairie Pledge Luncheon after the service on March 15th. A light lunch and entertainment will be provided. Entertainment will include a retrospective of past talent shows and will feature some surprise guests. Lunch and childcare will also be provided for the kids. We hope to see you there!

### **Central Midwest District Assembly is coming up!**

District Assembly will be held in Waukesha, Wisconsin, on April 24-26, 2009. Most of us cannot attend General Assembly, but this "mini" assembly provides a smaller but still delicious taste of the G.A. experience: social events, workshops, speakers, and an opportunity to meet people from the entire midwest district and learn what they are doing in the various congregations. The theme of this years assembly is "Leadership in Times of Profound Change." Please let Pat Watkins, the chair of the denominational affairs committee, know if you are interested in attending or being a delegate for Prairie. If there is enough interest, a charter bus may be organized with the three other local UU congregations, so please let Pat know as soon as you can. Fliers for CMWD are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the meeting room.

### **Prairie Fundraiser Trip to the Chicago Art Institute, Saturday, April 11, 2009**

On Saturday, April 11, Pat Watkins will lead a group for a day trip to see the Edvard Munch exhibit at the Art Institute in Chicago. A charter bus will make 2 morning pick-ups from the UW Credit Union on University Ave., and the South Towne McDonalds at approximately 8am. Return time is roughly 8pm. Cost of \$62 covers transportation and admission. Questions? Phone Pat at 233-5795.

## Prairie Calendar

### Sunday, March 8, 2009

11:45 am - Brief Parish meeting to approve the congregation's application to the Green Sanctuary program.

### Saturday, March 14, 2009

9:00 am - WOW (Prairie's Women's group) meets at the home of Kathy Converse for breakfast potluck.

### Sunday, March 15, 2009 - Prairie Fire article deadline.

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE Committee meeting.

10:00 am - service - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships," part one of three, presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Pledge Luncheon.

### Wednesday, March 18, 2009

7:00 pm - Program Committee meets at Prairie.

### Sunday, March 22, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "From Principles and Purposes to Covenantal Relationships," part two of three, presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Board Meeting. Potluck begins at 11:45, meeting begins at noon.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America by Erik Larson.

### Monday, March 23, 2009

6:30 pm - Spanish Speakers potluck at the home of Amy Schulz and Dave Welo.

### Tuesday, March 24, 2009

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

### Thursday, March 26, 2009

7:00 pm - Movie Group meets at Prairie to view "In Bruges."

### Saturday, March 28, 2009

10:00 am - Software Seminar presented by Al Nettleton. (You can still get in on this auction item! Please contact Al Nettleton for details.)