

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, March 22, 2009

Prelude - "Shepherd's Poem," by Franz Bendel
performed by Aileen Nettleton and Karleen Tyksinski

Welcome - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Opening Words - A Litany

For our community gathered here, for the spirit that calls us together and drew us to this place:

We give thanks this day. (All Together)

For moments we have shared with others; for times when we have reached out across barriers of distance and fear; for times when others have reached out to us; for moments when we have discovered another along our path:

We give thanks this day.

For this community of celebration and growth, introspection and solitude, and for those moments of "that peace which passes all understanding":

We give thanks this day.

For our gathering together out of distant places; for our weaving together out of many separate selves this hour of celebration and worship:

We give thanks this day.

Jane E. Mauldin

Hymn #295 (SLT) - "Sing Out Praises for the Journey"

Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Chalice Lighting

Our Unitarian Universalist Principles invite us to light our chalice

In the name of faith,

In the light of hope,

In actions of love.

We gather in community to celebrate a heritage of faith, hope, and love.

Let us bring these into our world and our lives today.

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

Reading

"The Fourth Principle: Acceptance of One Another and Encouragement to Spiritual Growth in Our Congregations," by Robert Hardies

Presentation

"Our Seven Principles and Spiritual Growth"
presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Discussion

Offering

Offertory- "Sonatina in G Major" by Anton Andre
performed by Aileen Nettleton and Karleen Tyksinski

Welcoming of Guests and Visitors

Welcoming of New Members - Paula Pachciarz

Prairie Announcements

(additional announcements are in your order of service.)

Hymn #300 (SLT) - "With Heart and Mind"

Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Closing Words

May the love of truth and meaning guide you on your spiritual journey, may the warmth of love hold you and the spirit of peace bless you, this day and in the days and weeks to come. Amen.

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.

Pledge forms due March 29th

The pledge form you were either given or had mailed to you this past week are due back to Barbara Park (Finance Chair) by Sunday, March 29th. Please mail your forms to her as soon as possible and save the finance committee the task of calling you on the phone. Thank you for your support!

Tip of the Week from the Green Committee

Green Idea # 9: If you need to use disposable napkins, Marcal sells paper napkins that are made from 100% post-consumer recycled paper. Visit them at marcalpaper.com for more information.

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 year's 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 Elders will meet Tuesday, March 24th at 2pm at Oakwood

Prairie Elders monthly meeting in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. Newcomers are welcome. MARCH TOPIC: An influential person in your life, other than relatives. People who influenced us in special ways may not always be the first to come to mind. Those we chose to talk about may have touched us only briefly but in a meaningful way. Interpret the topic as you wish. This can be a fascinating exercise in reviewing people in our past.

Prairie Book Club Meets Today

Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America by Erik Larson. The selection for next month is Michael Pollan's Omnivore's Dilemma which will be discussed April 19th. New books for late spring and into summer will be chosen in April.

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, March 22, 2009

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

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets.

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. The topic is an influential person in your life.

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.)

Sunday, March 29, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

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

11:45 am - Denominational Affairs Committee meets.

Wednesday, April 1, 2009 - Prairie Fire Bulletin deadline - calendar and program items only.

Sunday, April 5, 2009

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am - service - "First Amendment - Right or Slogan?" presented by Andy Somers.

12:00 noon - Ethical Humanism study group meets.

Saturday, April 11, 2009

8 am - 8 pm -- Art Institute trip.

9:00 am - Prairie WOW meets.

9:00 am to noon - Prairie Orientation.

~~12:30~~ pm - Memorial service for long time Prairie Member, Dick Bonser.

2:00

Save the Dates!

April 24-26, 2009, Central Midwest District Assembly in Waukesha; June 24-28, 2009 UUA General Assembly in Salt Lake City, October 23-25, 2009 Prairie's Annual Family Retreat at Pine Lake Camp.