

# **PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY**

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

**Sunday, January 31, 2010**

**Prelude** - "All Creatures of the Earth and Sky,"  
Madeline Arnold, French horn, and Doleta Chapru, piano

**Welcome** - Rachel Long, Prairie UU President

**Opening Words** - in unison  
As surely as we belong to the universe,  
We belong together. We join here to transcend the isolated self,  
To reconnect, to know ourselves, to be at home,  
Here on earth, under the stars, linked with each other.  
Margaret Kiep

**\*Hymn #163 (SLT)** - "For the Earth Forever Turning"  
Mary Frantz, accompanist

**Chalice Lighting**  
Responsive Reading #550, Singing the Living Tradition

**Silent Meditation**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Reading**  
"The Psalm of Civilization," by Francis Thompson

**Presentation: "On Not Worshiping the Teapot," by Revs. Kerry Mueller and Dave Hunter**  
Dramatically presented by 2 Prairie Members

**Discussion**

**Offering**  
**Offertory** - "No Toll in Caanan" by Beth De Sombre  
performed by Carl Wacker, Dan Proud, and Rachel Long

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## **Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

### **Prairie Announcements**

Additional announcements are in your order of service

**\*Hymn #303 (SLT) - "We Are the Earth Upright and Proud,"**  
Mary Frantz, accompanist

**Closing Words - Andrew Kerr**

\*Please stand as you are able.



Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Thanks to everyone who made this service possible. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

## **Announcements**

**Green Tip** Tea drinkers, take note. There are things you can do with those used tea bags instead of just throwing them in the trash. Emily Thousand's blog contains several ideas for your tea bags: you can compost the bags or add them to the bottom of plant pots to help retain moisture and prevent watering overflow. You can use the wet tea bags, warm or cold, as eye compresses. You can use the tea bags much like baking soda in your fridge to absorb odors. You can even use them to create a stained finished for your antique furniture. Give your extra tea water to your plants - and use those wrappers in your art projects.

**Coming up soon - Prairie Service Auction** The Service Auction is scheduled for February 28th with Orange Schroeder again acting as our Auctioneer. Send your items (or requests) to Barbara Park at [barpark@gmail.com](mailto:barpark@gmail.com). This is also a good time to review what you bought or promised last year so you can get those things done before the auction rolls around again. There is a spreadsheet hanging on the bulletin board across from the greeting table at Prairie; or you can contact Kate Liu, Prairie's administrator, at [admin@uuprairie.org](mailto:admin@uuprairie.org).

**Menus for the Future** Your Green Sanctuary Committee will be inaugurating a 6 week course on "Menus for the Future". For more information, contact the Johnsons ([pinefarm@uniontel.net](mailto:pinefarm@uniontel.net)) or any member of the Green Sanctuary Committee.

**Spanish Speaker's Potluck** The next Spanish Speaker's potluck will be held at the home of Dave and Marcia Johnson on Wednesday, February 10th at 6:30. Please call the Johnson's for directions at 441-0271 or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information about the group.

**Homeless Shelter Breakfast** If you are interested in serving breakfast at the Grace Episcopal Men's Homeless Shelter, your next opportunity will be Saturday, February 6th. Please contact Dave Johnson if you are interested.

**RE News Notes** RE's Wild Wintering begins February 20th at 5pm, with sledding if there is good snow and bowling if there isn't. Please visit the RE website [www.uuprairie.org/re](http://www.uuprairie.org/re) for more information and to get a permission slip.

## Prairie Calendar

**Monday, February 1, 2010** - Prairie Fire Bulletin calendar items due.

**Wednesday, February 3, 2010**

7:00 pm - Finance Committee meeting at the home of Barb Park, 5610 Hammersley.

**Saturday, February 6, 2010**

9:00 am - Prairie WOW meets for breakfast potluck and conversation.

**Sunday, February 7, 2010**

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE committee meets.

10:00 am – service- "Science Education and the Scientific Public" - presented by Prof. John Hawks.

11:45 am - Humanist Union potluck, followed by a presentation by Prof. John Hawks.

**Wednesday, February 10, 2010**

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Dave and Marcia Johnson.

**Sunday, February 14, 2010**

10:00 am – service- "Re-imagining Valentine's Day: Standing on the Side of Love," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

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

**Thursday, February 18, 2010** - Prairie Fire items and articles due. Issue will be published Feb. 23rd.

**Saturday, February 20, 2010** - 5:00 pm - Wild Wintering Youth overnight event begins.

**Sunday, February 21, 2010**

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE Committee meets.

10:00 am – service - "The Maharishi Effect: A Personal Journey Through the Movement That Transformed American Spirituality," presented by Geoff Gilpin.

11:45 am - Book Club meets to discuss Cutting For Stone by Abraham Verghese.

**Tuesday, February 23, 2010**

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is fitness.

7:00 pm - Program committee meets at Prairie.

**Sunday, February 28, 2010** - Prairie Service Auction and lunch.

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