

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

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Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, February 21, 2010

Prelude

Welcome - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Opening Words

To achieve that state of lasting happiness and absolute peace, we must first know how to calm the mind, to concentrate and go beyond the mind. By turning the mind's concentration inward, upon the self, we can deepen that experience of perfect concentration. This is the state of Meditation.

Swami Sivananda

***Hymn - Rise up Singing, pg 106 - "Yesterday," by the Beatles**

Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Chalice Lighting

Attend to your own inner health and happiness. Happiness radiates like the fragrance of a flower and draws all good things towards you. Allow your love to nourish yourself as well as others.

Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

Presentation: "The Maharishi Effect: My Personal Journey Through the Movement That Transformed American Spirituality" – Geoff Gilpin

Discussion

Offering

Offertory

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

**Hymn - Rise up Singing, pg 229- "When I'm Sixty-Four," by the Beatles
Aileen Nettleton, accompanist**

Closing Words

The important thing is this: to be able, at any moment, to sacrifice what we are for what we could become.

Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

*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

Humanist Union to Discuss Gay-Affirming Religious Groups The Humanist Union's March program will be presented by Doleta Chapru on the topic "*Gay-Affirming Religious Groups: Good News for Human Rights*". An increasing number of Christian denominations and individual churches are publicly adopting a positive, welcoming stance toward the LGBT community. Doleta will provide an overview of progress to date, briefly outline recent push back from opposing factions and discuss implications for Humanists and similar groups. We will start with our usual potluck lunch at 11:45 am, with the presentation and discussion from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. All who are interested in the topic are invited to attend.

Coming up soon - Prairie Service Auction The Service Auction is scheduled for next Sunday, February 28th with Orange Schroeder again acting as our Auctioneer. We will have a simple lunch of bread and soups. The auction is not only a lot of fun, it is one of Prairie's largest fundraisers - so please come and join us for a fun afternoon supporting Prairie!

RE News The Mystery Friends Potluck has been scheduled for Sunday March 7th, right after service, downstairs in the RE kitchen space. This is where you will have the chance to guess your Mystery Friend and have lunch with him or her. See you there!

Ministry and Ministerial Relationships - mini-workshop - 11:30 am-12:30 pm, TODAY

It's your future - please participate in Prairie's ongoing discussion about ministerial arrangements in preparation for a vote in May about whether to pursue settled ministry. For those members who were unable to attend the January 30 workshop on Ministry and Ministerial Relationships, please join Robyn Perrin and Christina Klock for a brief overview. We will discuss the information that was presented, summarize discussion points, and talk about your questions and perspectives. Total time will be 1 hour or less. Child care is available.

Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood, Tuesday, February 23, 1:30 conversation, 2:00 discussion.

PRAIRIE PEOPLE OVER 65 are invited to the PRAIRIE ELDERS meeting - newcomers welcome. Share your knowledge, opinions and experiences with UU peers. February Topic: Personal tips on keeping physically, mentally and emotionally fit. What makes you laugh? How do you keep you body stretched? What's your best diet? What exercises you brain? Who or what gives you comfort and lifts your spirits? How can you do aerobics when you have creaky knees? We meet in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. Park in front or underneath the building. Call contacts listed for directions or a ride: Donna Murdoch 238-3802, Gordon Cunningham 230-3367, Rosemary Dorney 238-4382 or Rose Smith 233-3363.

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, February 21, 2010

11:30 am - Long Range Planning Mini-workshop.

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 personal fitness.

7:00 pm - Program committee meets at Prairie.

Thursday, February 25, 2010

7:00 pm - Caring Committee meets at Prairie.

Sunday, February 28, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Community Supported Agriculture: A Green Solution," presented by CSA Farmers.

11:45 am - Prairie Service Auction! Lunch served.

Thursday, March 4, 2010 - 7:00 pm - Finance Committee meets at the home of Barb Park.

Saturday, March 6, 2010

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

Sunday, March 7, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Famous UU's You Must Know," presented by Religious Education classes.

11:30 am - Mystery Friends Potluck - downstairs.

11:45 am - Humanist Union meets for potluck lunch, presentation by Doleta Chapru.

Sunday, March 14, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service- "Father and Daughter: Bronson and Louisa May Alcott," presented by Robin Proud.

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

Sunday, March 21, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "The Rev. Alison Cornish: What Can't You Eat?" presented by Rachel Long.

11:45 am - Book Club meets to discuss Remarkable Creatures: Epic Adventures in the Search for the Origins of Species by Sean Carroll.