

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

Sunday, September 5, 2010

Prelude – “Common Thread” by Pat Humphries
Lynn Pawelski

Welcome – Rachel Long

Opening Words

Psalm 1, Responsive Reading, on separate sheet.

***Hymn # 186 (SLT) "Grieve Not Your Heart"**
Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Chalice Lighting – The Donald Family

People say, what is the sense of our small effort. They cannot see that we must lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time. A pebble cast into a pond causes ripples that spread in all directions. Each one of our thoughts, words and deeds is like that. No one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There's too much work to do

Dorothy Day

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages

A traditional Indian children's story told by John Eliganti

Singing the children off to classes

Farewell, good friends; farewell, good friends, farewell; farewell. Till we meet again,
till we meet again, farewell; farewell.

(to the tune of #400, Shalom Havayreem)

Presentation: "Labor Day: Honoring Workers, Pursuing Justice,"
presented by Rabbi Renee Bauer

Discussion

Offering *Bread & Roses*
Offertory - ~~“Same Boat Now” by Betsy Rose~~
Lynn Pawelski

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

***Hymn – #170 (SLT) “We Are a Gentle, Angry People”**
Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Closing Words

“A Prayer for All Workers,” by Edie Rasell
on separate sheet

*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 of the Week: You can make your own furniture polish with common household ingredients instead of using harsh chemicals. With the recipes available online, you can make a deep or regular cleaning polish. Visit the site http://healthychild.org/blog/comments/make_your_own_green_furniture_polish_using_olive_oil/ for some ideas.

Help for flood victims in Pakistan The UUA and the UUSC have teamed up to help victims of the catastrophic flooding in Pakistan, which is affecting over 17 million people. For more information or to make a donation, visit the UUSC website (www.uusc.org.)

****Registration now open!!* Prairie Fall Family Retreat Sept. 17 - 19, 2010** The Prairie Fall Family retreat is scheduled for September 17-19 at the Pine Lake Camp in Westfield, WI. Registration forms are in the August 22 Prairie Fire and at Prairie. Please note that the three "oak" cabins are already filled. If you know that you will not be able to attend the retreat but will be in Madison on the Sunday of the retreat weekend, please contact Kate Liu about a special volunteer opportunity.

Service Auction coming up! The Prairie service auction will be held this fall instead of the spring. The date has been set, so mark your calendars for after the service Sunday, October 24th. The auction will feature our world famous auctioneer, Orange Schroeder, and fabulous items and services donated by you! Please start thinking about what you could donate, or what you might be interested in purchasing, and contact Finance Chair Kathy Converse with your ideas (conversekrtn@msn.com.) Also- now is a good time to think about wrapping up items you purchased or offered at the last auction in the spring.

Party Time! First, Rose and Galen Smith are celebrating their 60th anniversary on Friday, September 24th from 5:30 to 9pm with potluck dinner – please rsvp to Galen at sgsmith2@wisc.edu to help them plan beverages and dessert. Then, Mary Somers is celebrating her 70th birthday on Saturday, September 25th starting at 4pm, with a special appearance by the Raging Grannies. Please bring a salad (fruit or veggie) and rsvp to Andy Somers at andrewsr@charter.net. Both events are here at Prairie.

Coats for Kids Klinke Cleaners will be accepting gently used kid's coats, hats, and mittens at any of their dry cleaning locations between September 13 and October 9. Klinke's will clean the items and take them to the Community Action Coalition. Over the years, this annual drive has collected more than a quarter million coats!

Memorial Celebration for Jack Jallings Founding Prairie member Jack Jallings passed away August 16, 2010. The family is planning an open house celebration of Jack's life from 2 to 5 on September 12. There will be tables set up for games, photos posted around the outside of the room, and bowls filled with bad jokes to share. They will serve some of his most favorite foods: coffee, all things chocolate (cookies, cake, brownies) pie (all kinds) and ice cream (all kinds). A couple of times during the afternoon, we'll pause for a few fun stories about Jack, so if you have one, we'd love to hear it! If you would like to volunteer to help with the memorial, contact Barb Park at 273-8775.

Prairie Sunday Lunches On Sunday, September 26, Prairie will offer a lunch after the service. This is not a potluck; food will be made by volunteers and brought in to Prairie to serve. You will be able to relax and enjoy continuing after-service conversations with a pleasant lunch of soup, salad, bread, and dessert for a small donation to Prairie. This first lunch is being organized by the board.

Prairie Calendar

Thursday, September 9, 2010

7:00 pm - Housing & Property Committee will meet at Prairie.

Friday, September 10, 2010 - Retreat Registration forms due!

Sunday, September 12, 2010

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am service - “Law and Morality,” presented by Nick Abts and Ken Haydock.

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm – Memorial Celebration for founding Prairie member, Jack Jallings.

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

Prairie Fire articles and other items due.

Friday, September 17 - Sunday, September 19

Prairie Family Retreat at Pine Lake Camp, Westfield, WI. Will include Humanist Union meeting (with Al Nettleton, on the religion of our grandparents,) book club (Mukiwa: A White Boy in Africa, by Peter Godwin,) WOW, and Sunday Key Log service.

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

7:00 pm – Program committee meeting.

Friday, September 24, 2010

5:30 pm - 60th Anniversary Party for Rose and Galen Smith.

Saturday, September 25, 2010

Fundraising trip with Pat Watkins to see *Henri Cartier-Bresson: The Modern Century* at the Art Institute of Chicago.

4:00 pm - 70th Birthday party for Mary Somers, including an appearance by the Raging Grannies.

Sunday, September 26, 2010

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am service

11:30 am – Sunday Fundraising Lunch!

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

1:30 pm – Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is Immigration Issues. (*Note earlier time*)

Monday, October 4, 2010

7:00 pm – RE Committee meeting at Prairie

Psalm 1 Responsive Reading for Labor Day 2010

Leader: Blessed is the person who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit at the seat of mockers. (v. 1)

All: But blessed is the one who delights in the law of the Lord, and meditates on it day and night. (v. 2)

Leader: On Labor Day weekend, we lift up employers who follow God's law to treat all employees justly and fairly.

All: We lift up workers who follow God's law to be fair and just with their employers.

Leader: The blessed one is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season (v. 3a)

All: And whose leaf does not wither. Whatever that one does prospers. (v. 3b)

Leader: The ethical employer is like a tree planted by water,

All: Whose branches will yield fruit in season.

Leader: ~~Not so the wicked!~~ (v. 4a)

All: They are like chaff that the wind blows away. (v. 4b)

Leader: This Labor Day, we know there are unjust employers who would exploit workers by not paying them for all their work and not protecting their health.

All: We pray they repent or be like chaff that the wind blows away.

Leader: Therefore, the wicked will not stand in the judgment (v. 5a)

All: Nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. (v. 5b)

Leader: God watches over all who would labor.

All: God knows those who treat their employees fairly and justly.

Leader: God also knows those who exploit and take advantage of workers.

All: And in these economic times, God knows and offers strength to those who want work but cannot find it.

Leader: For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, (v. 6a)

All: But the way of the wicked will perish. Amen. (v. 6b)



A Prayer for All Workers

Loving, Working God,

On this Labor Sunday we ask your special blessing on all people who labor, either for pay or as volunteers, in jobs or at school, in the workplace or at home, in the U.S. and around the world.

We especially pray for your blessings on workers who do not have jobs and for those whose inadequate pay does not allow them to live the full life you intend for each of us.

Creator God, help us to build a new world in the midst of the old.

A world where all workers are valued.

A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in.

A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill.

We pray for the coming of a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given us.

We ask these things knowing that you give us the courage and strength to live our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.

Amen.

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