

# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

**Sunday, October 3, 2010**

**Prelude** – “Let Your Little Light Shine” – traditional, arranged by Stephen L. Finner  
Prairie Choir and Prairie children

**Welcome** – Rachel Long

## **Opening Words**

Reading by Kenneth Patton – James Hughes

Reading by Barbara Pescan – Heidi Hughes

**\*Hymn** "Come and Go With Me to that Land"

led by Rachel Long

**Chalice Lighting** – Malke-Eliganti Family

reading by Elisabeth Strong

**Invitation to Meditation** – Jason Yarusso

reading by Wayne Arneson

## **Story for All Ages**

“Making Promises, Making Covenants,” by Janeen K. Grohsmeyer

**Singing the children off to classes**

“Farewell Good Friends”

## **Joys and Concerns**

**Responsive Reading** – Wayne Hammerstrom

From our past, we are called – *As individuals, as a congregation, as a movement.*

Into our future, we are called – *Imagining what might be from our vision of what should be.*

Right here in this moment, we are called – *This particular people in this particular place.*

Will we hear the call? Do we hear the call? *Let us hear the call.*

by Erik Walker Wilkstrom

**Presentation: "Association Sunday: Celebrating 50 Years and the Future of Our Faith,"**  
presented by Rachel Long  
Readers: Ken Haydock, Anne Urbanski, Linda Colletti, Rosemarie Lester

**Discussion**

**Offering**

words for the offering read by Phyllis Long and Wayne Hammerstrom, words by Michael Schuler  
and Edith Towne

**Offertory** - "Heaven in a Wild Flower," by Bill Douglass and William Blake  
Prairie Choir, Barb Park directing, Doleta Chapru accompanying

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**Prairie Announcements**

Additional announcements are in your order of service.

**\*Hymn – #300 (SLT) "With Heart and Mind"**  
Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

**Closing Words** – read in unison

May the spirit of wonder and adventure live on in us always, seeking in good faith and  
high courage the green fields beyond the desert, the dawn beyond the sea, the stars  
beyond the dark.

May we keep our capacity for faith and wonder, but may our judgment watch and  
question what we believe.

May we keep our love of life, our delight in friendship, our hunger for new knowledge,  
our hatred of a lie, our intolerance for what our hearts tell us is bad.

Above all, may we keep our wonder at great and noble things, like sunlight and thunder,  
the rain and the stars, the wind and the sea, the growth of trees and the return of harvests .

By Jacob Trapp

\*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

**Change in format for announcements coming soon!** Starting next Sunday, announcements will take place at the beginning of the service and will be read by the presider. If you have an announcement to make, take a form from the basket on the greeting table, fill it in, and place it on the lectern at the front of the sanctuary and it will be read during the service.

**Adult Education Update** There is still room in the upcoming class, "Designing a Rain Garden," presented by Judy Skog, on October 19 & 26, at 7pm at Prairie. Please contact Kate to register, or visit the Prairie website for a form which you can mail in:  
[http://www.uuprairie.org/re/adult\\_ed\\_brochure\\_final2010-11.pdf](http://www.uuprairie.org/re/adult_ed_brochure_final2010-11.pdf)

**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 24<sup>th</sup>. The auction will feature our world famous auctioneer, Orange Schroeder, and fabulous items and services donated by you! Please 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](mailto:conversekrtn@msn.com).)

**Circle Dinner Sign-up Coming Soon!** Circle dinners are groups of Prairie members and friends who take turns hosting potluck dinner in their homes. Circle dinners are a great way to get to know people better. Circles will be forming soon, so stay tuned!

**Fall Frolic!** (not just for kids) Fun on the Farm, Saturday, October 16th, 5:00 pm, at Schuster's Playtime Farm. Hayride at 5:30 p.m., Bonfire at dusk with hot dogs and marshmallows to roast. Playground, petting animals, and small corn maze all evening. Those 12 and up may tour the Haunted Forest! Cost \$12/person (includes activities and dinner) or whatever you can afford. WE NEED A HEAD COUNT BY OCTOBER 3rd! (you may still come if you don't respond by Oct. 3, but we will not have food for you.) Reserve your spot by contacting our DRE, Rebecca Malke at: [youthcoordinator@uuprairie.org](mailto:youthcoordinator@uuprairie.org) or 271-8218.

**Green Tip of the Week** Take a day off (or more!) from your TV. The average American watches 4 ½ hours of TV per day, which adds up to 825 pounds of carbon dioxide each year.

**Soup Sunday News!** Our first Soup Sunday last weekend was a raging success! There was great food and conversation and we raised \$177. Stay tuned for the next Soup Sunday, coming in October.

### **\*\*\*Checks for Association Sunday\*\*\***

Checks should be made out to the UUA with "Association Sunday, Prairie UU Society" in the memo line. Donations may be placed in the offering basket today, or mailed to UUA, 25 Beacon St. Boston, Mass, 02108. Donations may also be made online at [uua.kintera.org/assoc\\_sunday](http://uua.kintera.org/assoc_sunday).

## Prairie Calendar

### Sunday, October 3, 2010

11:45 am – Humanist Union - Potluck lunch 11:45 am, 12:30 pm presentation on "Justice and the Common Good" by Richard Russell.

### Monday, October 4, 2010

7:00 pm – RE Committee meeting at Prairie

### Thursday, October 7, 2010 - 7pm – Prairie Board Meeting

### Sunday, October 10, 2010

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Not Everything Under the Sun: What Does It Mean To Be UU?" presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen.

### Friday, October 15, 2010

Prairie Fire article deadline

Registration deadline for Adult Ed course, "What it Means to be a UU" with Rev. Jane Esbensen.

### Saturday, October 16, 2010

9am – 1pm: Outdoor workday and window washing at Prairie.

5:00 pm Fall Frolic at Schuster's Playtime Farm.

### Sunday, October 17, 2010

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – "Gay-Affirming Religious Groups: Good News for Human Rights," presented by Doleta Chapru.

11:45 am – Book Club meets to discuss Now and at the Hour, a novel by our own former Prairie member Marty Drapkin.

### Tuesday, October 19, 2010

7pm – Adult Ed class, "Designing a Rain Garden" with Judy Skog.

### Saturday, October 23, 2010

Rain Date for Outdoor workday and window washing at Prairie.

### Sunday, October 24, 2010

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Tai Chi as a form of Spirituality" - presented by Randy Converse.

11:45 am – Service Auction!