## Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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# "Gay-Affirming Religious Groups: Good News for Human Rights," presented by Doleta Chapru

October 17, 2010



## Today's Order of Service,

Welcome and Announcements - Mary Mullen

Prelude - "Gentle Rain," by Cindy Kleinstuber-Blevins, performed by Christina Klock and Adam Olson

Opening Words – Doleta Chapru

Lighting of the Chalice – the Nicholson Family (John, Karen, Caitlyn, and Chance) "We light the chalice today for all people seeking community and renewed spirits in a religious organization."

#### **Silent Meditation**

#### Story for all ages

<u>Daddy's Roommate</u>, by Michael Wilhoite, read by Rose Smith

Singing the children off to classes "Farewell Good Friends" (SLT #400)

Joys and Concerns and Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn #1029 (STJ) "Love Knocks and Waits for Us to Hear." Mary Frantz, accompanist

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## Discussion

Offering & Offertory – Choral Prelude by JS Bach, performed by Mary Frantz.

\*Hymn #325 (SLT) "Love Makes a Bridge," Mary Frantz, accompanist

### **Closing Words**

\*please stand as you are able.

#### Announcements

**Service Auction!** The Prairie service auction will be held this fall after the service on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. The auction will feature our world famous auctioneer, Orange Schroeder, and fabulous items and services donated by you! Lunch and childcare will be available. An auction catalog will be available soon.

Circle Dinner Sign-up! Circle dinners are a great way to get to know people better. Circles will be forming soon, so be sure to sign up on the clipboard on the greeting table!

Green Tip of the Week You can get refurbished electronics for a steal (they often sell for less than 50 percent of the retail price!), and before they're resold to the public, they go through an intense defect-testing process and the warranties usually remain intact. So you can save money and help reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills. Shop at www.dyscern.com and www.refurbdepot.com.

Finance News Thanks to a recent donation, we have now met our pledge goal for the 2010-2011 budget year. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Guest at Your Table materials now available The UUSCs Guest at Your Table event has begun. You can pick up a box to place on your table at home, putting a little money in it each day. Boxes will need to be returned on 12/19, when we will collect all the donations and send them in.

Fall Parish Meeting, November 14, 2010 The Fall Parish Meeting and Potluck will take place on Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, after the service. An agenda and materials will be available 2 weeks before the meeting.

**Prairie Directories coming soon!** New Prairie directories will be printed soon. Please take a moment to look through your current directory for any errors, and please let Kate know about them asap.

Last Chance to sign up for adult ed - "What Does it Mean to be a UU" If you are interested, please give your name to Kate Liu, Prairie's admin, or Aileen Nettleton, Adult Ed chair.

## Prairie UU Society Bond of Union

We, the members of Prairie, wish to associate ourselves together in a religious community which affirms that we share a common humanity, that we need one another, and that our futures are inescapably bound together. Together we would expand our intellectual horizons, enrich our sensory experiences, and deepen our emotional sensitivities. We would sharpen our ethical awareness and broaden our sense of social responsibility. We would stand tall in our quest for integrity of life, yet not at others' expense. As the prairie stretches out until it becomes one with the sky, let us reach out to touch and be one with the natural world, and with one another.

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Prairie Calendar		
Sun., Oct. 17	11:45	Book Club meets to discuss Now and at the Hour by former Prairie member Marty Drapkin.
	4:00	Dan Proud's CD release party
Tues. Oct 19	7:00	Adult Ed, "Designing a Rain Garden," with Judy Skog
Weds. Oct 20	6:30	Spanish Speakers Potluck at the home of Amy Schulz, 2304 S. Syene Rd. Call Amy (273-
		2639) for directions, Rosemary Dorney (238-4382) for information or to arrange a ride.
	7:00	Program Committee meets at Prairie.
Sat. Oct. 23	9 - 1	Rain Date for Outdoor work day.
Sun. Oct 24	8:45	Choir rehearsal
	10:00	Service: "Tai Chi as a Form of Spirituality," presented by Randy Converse.
·	10:00	Service Sunday for Religious Education classes.
	11:45	Service Auction! Lunch and childcare will be available.
Tue. Oct. 26	1:30	Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is "Preparing written and audio memoirs."
	7:00	Adult Ed, part 2, "Designing a Rain Garden," with Judy Skog
Sun. Oct. 31	8:45	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Service: "Day of the Dead," presented by Dorothy Krause.
Mon, Nov. 1	7:00	Finance Committee meets upstairs at Prairie; Religious Education Committee meets downstairs.
Thu. Nov. 4	7:00	Prairie Board meeting.
Sat. Nov. 6	9:00	WOW (Prairie's women's group) will meet at Prairie for breakfast potluck and conversation.
	10-12	Adult Ed, "What it Means to be a UU" with Rev. Jane Esbensen.
Sun. Nov. 7	11:45	Humanist Union - Potluck lunch 11:45 am, 12:30 pm presentation.
Tue. Nov. 9	7:00	Caring Committee meets.
Sun. Nov. 14	8:45	Choir rehearsal
	10:00	Service
	11:45	Fall Parish Meeting and Potluck

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# Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

#### Next week's service:

"Tai Chi as a Form of Spirituality," presented by Randy Converse.

