

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison, WI 53711 \* 608-271-8218 \* www.uuprairie.org


**"Words, Words, Words," presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen.**

**November 14, 2010**



## Today's Order of Service

**Prelude** - "Native American Prayer," by Nolan Schmitt, performed by the Prairie Choir, Barbara Park, director, and Doleta Chapru, accompanist

**Welcome and Announcements** -  Rev. Jane Esbensen

### Opening Words

\***Hymn #38 (SLT)** "Morning Has Broken," Doleta Chapru, accompanist

**Lighting of the Chalice** - the Peterson Family: Gary, Katherine, Katie, and Chris

### Silent Meditation

### Story for all ages

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

### Joys and Concerns

### Introduction of Guests and Visitors

### Reading

**Presentation:** "Words, Words, Words," Rev. Jane Esbensen

**Offering & Offertory** - "A Core of Silence," by Jim Riley, performed by the Prairie Choir, Barbara Park, director and Doleta Chapru, accompanist

A core of silence breathes beyond all words, or else the words have little worth; to "heart" or "soul" or "spirit" it comes forth (the words we name them matter not.)

And half the music lies within the pause between the arches of the heart; the print upon the page means less than ink unless the white and black both speak.

The "True Religion" gathers up its text: "In the beginning was the Word." But I seek quietness behind that start and name it nothing, much less "God."

Jim Riley

\***Hymn #112 (SLT)** "Do You Hear?" Doleta Chapru, accompanist

### Closing Words

\*please stand as you are able.

## Announcements

**Green Tip** Get off junk mail lists. GreenDimes can get you started. They'll even plant a tree for you!

**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 and Potluck, TODAY after the service!**

**Auction News and Correction** Many of you commented that your "receipt" from the auction indicated that you owed money for your lunch - not so! If you look closely, you will see that the amount is actually a negative number, indicating that you paid more than your bill. To avoid this confusion next year, we will make "lunch" an auction item so that you will have a zero balance at the end. Remember that there are still some open auction items open - see the bulletin board for details.

**A message from Dirk and Susan Herr-Hoyman:**  
Dear Prairie Friends: Come celebrate with us Rachel's college graduation! We are having a potluck at Prairie on Sunday December 19th at 5 pm to honor her achievements. Bring a dish to share and a good wish to send Rachel off into the world! Dairy and gluten free dishes are most welcomed!

### **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

#### **Sunday, November 14, 2010**

11:45 Fall Parish Meeting and Potluck

#### **Wednesday, November 17, 2010**

7:00 Program committee meets.

#### **Thursday, November 18, 2010**

6:30 Spanish Speaker's potluck at the home of Laura Mason, 4808 Schofield St, 221-0237.

#### **Saturday, November 20, 2010**

10-12 Adult Ed, "What it Means to be a UU" part 2, with Rev. Jane Esbensen.

7:00 Prairie Singalong with Doleta Chapru and Dan Proud.

#### **Sunday, November 21, 2010**

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – "Stone Soup," Thanksgiving Intergenerational presented by Robin Proud

11:30 Soup Sunday!

#### **Tuesday, November 23, 2010**

2:00 Prairie Elders @ Oakwood, topic mid term elections.

#### **Wednesday, November 24, 2010**

7:00 Joint UU Thanksgiving Service at First Society.

#### **Sunday, November 28, 2010**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 Service

#### **Thursday, December 2, 2010**

7:00 Prairie Board meeting

#### **Saturday, December 4, 2010**

9:00 WOW (Prairie's women's group) will meet at Prairie for breakfast potluck and conversation.

#### **Sunday, December 5, 2010**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets.

#### **Monday, December 6, 2010**

7:00 RE Committee meets.

#### **Sunday, December 12, 2010**

9:45 Nifty Gifty!

### **Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society**

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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:**

"Stone Soup," an intergenerational service and play, presented by Robin Proud.

