Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"Celtic Spirituality: The Celtic Cross, the Tree of Life, and the Eternal Circle," led by Frank Siegle.

August 14, 2011



Today's Order of Service

Prelude - Imram an Enez (Breton folk song)

Welcome and Announcements - Dan Proud

Opening Words: For the historian of religions, every manifestation of the sacred is important: every rite, every myth, every belief or divine figure reflects the experience of the sacred and hence implies the notions of being, of meaning, and of truth.

- Mircea Eliade

*Hymn: "Blue Boat Home," lyrics on insert, sung to the tune of #207 SLT. Aileen Nettleton, accompanist.

Lighting of the Chalice

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages: Read by Frank Siegle.

Singing the Children out – Farewell Good Friends

**Joys and Concerns

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Offering & Offertory – performed by Frank Siegle (autoharp) and Dan Proud (guitar).

Presentation: "Celtic Spirituality: The Celtic Cross, the Tree of Life, and the Eternal Circle," led by Frank Siegle.

Navajo Prayer

Litany: Responsive reading on insert

St. Patrick's Breastplate

*Hymn #298 (SLT): "Wake, Now, My Senses," Aileen Nettleton, accompanist. No time

**Discussion

Closing Words: Celtic Benediction The peace of the running wave to you, The peace of the flowing air to you, The peace of the quiet earth to you, The peace of the shining stars to you, And the peace of Son of Peace to you.

Greet Your Neighbor

*please stand as you are able.

Announcements

Green Note The US Postal Service is offering Green Notes on Forever stamps! From the USPS website: Go Green, a pane of 16 stamps, is the Postal Service's social awareness issue for 2011. Award-winning animator, filmmaker, and illustrator Eli Noyes worked with Art Director Derry Noyes on his first stamp project, using a colorful, playful style to convey the message that every American can take simple actions to conserve energy and improve the environment. These Forever stamps are always equal in value to the current First-Class Mail one-ounce rate.

Mini-retreat October 15 Since we are moving our annual retreat from the fall to the spring, we are planning a one-day retreat at Prairie this fall, for this transition year. It will be similar to our longer retreats but it will consist of just one very full Saturday, no overnights. The Arboretum and Marlborough Park will be used for outdoor activities like nature walks and active games. Prairie meeting rooms will be used for discussion groups and crafts. There will be child care providers on hand for the very youngest among us. If you have an idea for a group activity you would like to lead, or if you would like to help with the general planning, please contact Erin Bosch. There will be a Talent Show, so be thinking of what you might like to perform!

Ice Cream Social September 3 Prairie will have an Ice Cream Social on September 3 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm. Root beer will be on hand for those who would like a root beer float!

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.

^{**}please wait for the microphone before speaking: this allows those using the assistive listening devices to hear.

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Prairie Calendar

Sunday, August 21, 2011

10:00 Service - "Overwork, Work Addiction, and the Blessings of the Sabbath," presented by Ian Riddell

11:15 Soup Sunday "Local Produce"

11:40 The Prairie Book Club meets to discuss "The Woman Behind the New Deal - The Life of Frances Perkins, FDR's Secretary of Labor & His Moral Conscience" by Kirsten Downey.

Monday, August 22, 2011

6:30 Spanish Speaker's Potluck.

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

1:30 Prairie Elders meet at The Oaks

Sunday, August 28, 2011

10:00 Service - Water Ceremony

11:15 4th Annual Summer Splash Pool Party

Saturday, September 3, 2011

3:00 Ice Cream Social at Prairie

Sunday, September 4, 2011

10:00 Service – Labor Day service with a presentation by a representative from Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice.

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

7:00 Prairie Board meeting.

Sunday, September 11, 2011

10:00 Service – "Facing Our Fears and Biases About Islam"

Sunday, September 18, 2011

10:00 Service – GA presentation

Sunday, September 25, 2011

10:00 Service

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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 gelations;
- 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:

"Overwork, Work Addiction, and the Blessings of the Sabbath," by Ian Riddell.

