

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Dalit Rights Are Human Rights: The Struggle of a Broken People,” presented by Rebecca Malke and VeeraRaju (John) Eliganti.

March 18, 2012

Today's Order of Service

Prelude – “Filled with Loving Kindness,” traditional Buddhist meditation, adapted by Mark Hages. Music by Ian W. Riddell. Performed by the Prairie Choir.

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Words #519 (SLT) Responsive Reading

***Hymn #197 (SLT):** “There Are Numerous Strings,” by Rabindranath Tagore, Indian poet and Universalist. Accompanied by Mary Frantz.

Chalice Lighting:

To face the world's shadows,
a chalice of light.
To face the world's coldness,
a chalice of warmth.
To face the world's terrors,
a chalice of courage.
To face the world's turmoil,
a chalice of peace.
May its glow fill our spirits, our hearts,
and our lives.
– Lindsay Bates

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages: Indian moral story told by VeeraRaju Eliganti.

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Presentation: “Dalit Rights Are Human Rights: The Struggle of a Broken People,” presented by Rebecca Malke and VeeraRaju (John) Eliganti.

Discussion

Offering & Offertory – “Amani Utupe (Grant Us Peace, Grant Us Courage),” by Patsy Ford Sims. Performed by the Prairie Choir.

***Hymn #347 (SLT):** “Gather the Spirit,” accompanied by Mary Frantz.

Closing Words:

You must abolish your slavery yourselves. Do not depend for its abolition upon god or a superman. Remember that it is not enough that a people are numerically in the majority. They must be always watchful, strong and self-respecting to attain and maintain success. We must shape our course ourselves and by ourselves.
– B.R. Ambedkar, Indian political leader and a revolutionary who fought to end the caste system in India. He also helped draft the Indian Constitution.

Greet Your Neighbor

*please stand as you are able.

**please wait for the microphone before speaking; this allows those using the assistive listening devices to hear.

Announcements

Green Note: “Increase the bird population and decrease insects attacking your garden and landscape. Birds not only provide natural beauty for the eyes and ears, they also provide natural insect control. Furnishing nesting material along with providing an inviting habitat, complete with food and shelter, for birds can eliminate your need for pesticides while increasing your backyard enjoyment. Leave or create some natural spaces within your landscape. ... Create piles of twigs and straws and dry grass. Stuff fluffy materials like wool and shredded paper into suet feeders or crevices in trees. Then watch the construction begin.” – Melinda Myers (melindamyers.com)

The Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, March 27 from 1:30pm to 3:20pm in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. This month's discussion will be “Issues of Death and Dying.” Call Donna Murdoch 238-3802, Gordon Cunningham 230-3367, Rosemary Dorney 238-4382, or Rose Smith 233-3363 for directions, parking, or a ride.

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, March 19, at the home of Amy Schulz, 2304 S. Syene Rd. Please call Amy at 273-2639 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information or to arrange a ride.

Spring Cleanup Day: Prairie's H&P committee will have a Spring cleanup on Saturday, April 14, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Let Dirk Herr-Hoyman know if there is some specific activity you feel should be done.

Save the date! Prairie's Spring Retreat will be held at Bethel Horizons Nature Center April 27 – April 29.

Caring Committee Group Revisions: Please check the Caring Committee Groups (revised) posted on the bulletin board. Some changes in the Caring Committee Contact person were made with changes in committee members. Remember to let your Caring Committee contact person know when you need support from our Prairie community.

Next Sunday is a Soup Sunday!

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, March 18, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service - "Dalit Rights Are Human Rights: The Struggle of a Broken People," presented by Rebecca Malke and John Eliganti.
11:30 Mystery Friends party

Monday, March 19, 2012

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck at the home of Amy Schulz
7:00 Prairie's Board meets.

Sunday, March 25, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service - "The Global Politics of Water: Managing Our Most Precious Resource in the 21st Century," presented by Oriol Miroso.
11:15 Soup Sunday
11:30 Prairie Book Club meets to discuss *The Ghost Map - The Story of London's Most Terrifying Epidemic and How It Changed Science, Cities, and the Modern World* by Steven Johnson.

Monday, March 26, 2012

7:00 Program Committee meets

Tuesday, March 27, 2012

1:30 Prairie Elders meet

Sunday, April 1, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
11:45 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, April 8, 2012

8:45 No Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:00 Easter Egg Hunt
11:30 Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 15, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service

Monday, April 16, 2012

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, April 22, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:00 RE Service Sunday – Neighborhood Cleanup
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:45 Congregational bylaws meeting

Friday, April 27, 2012

Prairie's Spring Retreat begins

Sunday, April 29, 2012

Prairie's Spring Retreat ends. NO SERVICE OR RE at Prairie's Meeting House

Sunday, May 6, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
11:30 Congregational bylaws meeting

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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:

UUSC Justice Sunday Presentation:
"The Global Politics of Water: Managing Our Most Precious Resource in the 21st Century,"
presented by Oriol Miroso.

