

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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**“Coming Out,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.**

**August 23, 2015**



## Today's Order of Service

*You can hold yourself back from the suffering of the world; this is something you are free to do... but perhaps precisely this holding back is the only suffering you might be able to avoid.*

– Franz Kafka

**Prelude:** Performed by Amber Bruns

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rev. Sandra Ingham

### **Opening Words**

**\*Hymn #349 (SLT):** “We Gather Together,” accompanied by Mary Frantz.

### **Chalice Lighting**

**Story for All Ages:** “Holly Bloom's Garden,” by Sarah Ashman & Nancy Parent

**Singing the Children Out:** “Farewell Good Friends”

### **\*\*Joys and Concerns**

### **Silent Meditation**

**Hymn #391 (SLT):** “Voice Still and Small”

**Reading:** From the Writings of Thomas Berry and Joanna Macy

**Reflections:** “Coming Out,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

### **Congregational Response**

### **Offering and Offertory**

### **\*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**Hymn #1018 (STJ):** “Come and Go with Me”

### **Closing Words**

### **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.

Today's tech assistant is Bill Parmenter.

## Announcements

**Green Note:** The average dishwasher in U.S. homes today uses 8.7 gallons of water per load. Washing by hand for 10 minutes with water running can use 20 gallons. (worldwildlife.org)

**The Humanist Union** will meet on Sunday, September 6, at 11:45am for a potluck lunch. This month's speaker will be Rob Brink, who will provide a Q&A for an ex-pastor.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is Sunday August 23 to Sunday August 30** One of Prairie's social action commitments is being a buddy church for Midvale Lutheran as they house homeless families as part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which is part of The Road Home. Please consider volunteering to serve dinner or various other jobs to help Prairie honor its commitment to this wonderful organization. You can call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285) or you can go to this website to find info on the volunteer jobs and a link to the sign-up grid: <http://midvalelutheran.org/share/our-community/road-home>

**The Prairie Elders** will meet on Tuesday, August 25, at 1:30pm in the Annex. This month's topic of discussion will be the future of Prairie Elders. Bring a snack to pass if convenient. Coffee and tea provided.

### **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

### **Tuesday, August 25, 2015**

1:30 Prairie Elders meet in the Annex

### **Sunday, August 30, 2015**

10:00 Service – “Justified Anger,” by Kaleem Caire.

### **Friday, September 4, 2015**

6:00 Board Game Night

### **Saturday, September 5, 2015**

9:00 Prairie WOW meets at Prairie

### **Sunday, September 6, 2015**

10:00 Service  
11:45 Humanist Union  
5:30 Men's Group

### **Sunday, September 13, 2015**

10:00 Service  
11:45 Prairie's Board meets in the Annex

### **Monday, September 14, 2015**

7:00 Program Committee meets

### **Sunday, September 20, 2015**

10:00 Service  
11:30 Soup Sunday

### **Sunday, September 27, 2015**

10:00 Service

### **Friday, October 2, 2015**

6:00 Board Game Night

### **Saturday October 3, 2015**

9:00 PrairieWOW meets

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10:00 Service  
11:45 Humanist Union meets  
5:30 Men's Group meets

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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:**

“Justified Anger,” by Kaleem Caire

