

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Preamble to the Seven Principles and Prairie” by Gary Gates

February 14, 2016



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: “Our House,” by Crosby, Stills, and Nash.
Performed by Rachel Long and Barbara Park.

Welcome and Announcements: Rick Ruecking

Opening Words:

“Cowardice asks the question, is it safe? Expediency asks the question, is it politic? Vanity asks the question, is it popular? But conscience asks the question, is it right? And there comes a time when we must take a position that is neither safe nor politic nor popular but one must take it because it is right.

– Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

***Hymn #318 (SLT):** “We Would Be One” Mary Frantz,
accompanist

Chalice Lighting:

“We light this chalice, symbol of all that we are, all that we have done together, and all that we will be as our shared ministry encourages those within, and beyond, our walls.”

– Rev. Erika A Hewitt

Welcome New Members: Jennifer, Jim, Simon, and Halina Johncox and Ron Frye

Story for All Ages: “The Kind and Wise Stag”

Singing the Children Out: “Farewell Good Friends”

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

Presentation: “Preamble to the Seven Principles and Prairie” by Gary Gates

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Mary Frantz.

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Hymn #85:** “Although This Life Is But a Wraith”

Closing Words

You are not here merely to make a living. You are here to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, and with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world. You impoverish yourself if you forget this errand.

– Woodrow Wilson

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 John Richards.

Announcements

We again today share 1/2 of the offertory collection with the Odyssey Project, housed in University of Wisconsin- Madison, Extension Department, which offers a humanities class, tuition and child care assistance, free textbooks, and a weekly dinner to adult students who face economic barriers to college. Sunday 2/21 we will begin sharing the collection with Justified Anger - more detailed information about that will be provided next Sunday.

The Book Club will meet next Sunday, February 21, to discuss Cold Sassy Tree by Olive Ann Burns. This is a Soup Sunday, so the Book Club will eat first, then retire to the Annex for the meeting.

How do you talk to your kids about issues of race?

The Empowering Children and Ourselves to Talk About Race seminar at James Reeb UUC at 3:30pm on March 5 can help. Register at familiesforjustice.org.

Who are our neighbors? An intercultural competency workshop will be held on March 18-19 at James Reeb UUC. “Learn a new framework for understanding intercultural competency, and how to enhance your own skills, as well as insights into the multiple components of conflict and how culture plays a role in that. By attending with members of your congregation, you can learn how to move this work forward in your congregation.” Registration is \$30 per person, scholarships available from Prairie. See the fliers on the bulletin boards for registration information.

The Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, February 23, at 1:30pm in the Annex. This month's discussion topic will be “Primary Education – what we need to learn for the spring elections.”

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

Saturday, February 20, 2016

12:00 Lets Talk About Race: A Conversation for Teens
at FUS

Sunday, February 21, 2016

10:00 Service
10:00 Mystery Friends week 3
11:30 Soup Sunday
12:15 Book Club meets in Annex

Monday, February 22, 2016

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck meets at Prairie

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets

Saturday, February 28, 2016

10:00 Building Your Own Theology meets

Sunday, February 28, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 Mystery Friends week 4 and Party

Friday, March 4, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, March 5, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast volunteer opportunity
9:00 Prairie WOW meets in the Annex
3:30 Empowering Children and Ourselves to Talk
About Race at James Reeb UUC

Sunday, March 6, 2016

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

Saturday, March 10, 2016

3:30

Sunday, March 13, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service

Monday, March 14, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets
7:00 Program Committee meets

Friday, May 6, 2016

5:00 *Prairie Retreat begins*

Sunday, May 8, 2016

12:00 *Prairie Retreat ends*

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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:

“Justice, Equality, and Compassion in
Human Relation,” by Faith Cholvin.

