

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Acceptance” by Ron Frye

May 15, 2016

Today's Order of Service

Prelude: “Alle Voegel sind schon da...” and “Der Mai ist gekommen...”. Performed by the Continental Drifters: Rosemarie Lester and Ruth Calden.

Welcome and Announcements: Al Nettleton

Opening Words:

“The fact that you are willing to say, 'I do not understand, and it is fine,' is the greatest understanding you could exhibit.”

– Wayne Dyer

***Hymn #86 (SLT):** “Blessed Spirit of My Life” Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Chalice Lighting:

And so we gather, from the ebb and flow of our lives
Thirsty for connection to ourselves
Thirsty for connection to others
Thirsty for connection to the larger life.

As we light this chalice
May all who gather here be filled:
Filled with joy and hope
Filled with compassion and love

Here, may we be filled
So that we may pour ourselves out
into the world.
– Gregory Pelley

Song for All Ages: Read by Anhne Pryor.

Singing the Children Out: “Farewell Good Friends”

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

Presentation: “Acceptance,” by Ron Frye.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: “Komm lieber Mai und mache die Bäume wieder gruen” by Mozart.

Offering shared with Briarpatch Youth Services.

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Hymn #6:** “Just As Long As I Have Breath”

Closing Words:

“What the world needs most is openness: Open hearts, open doors, open eyes, open minds, open ears, open souls.”
– Robert Muller

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.

This week's tech assistant is John Richards.

Announcements

Sharing of Offertory Collection In May (until the congregational meeting) the offertory collection will be split with Briarpatch Youth Services. The Runaway and Homeless Youth Program at Briarpatch provides temporary shelter, counseling and support services and a 24-Hour Counseling hotline. The agency provides assessment, counseling, and case management, food, clothing as needed and help with finding safe and stable housing. There is a new youth shelter off Rimrock Road.

Roy Zimmerman in concert tonight at 7:00pm at Prairie! Tickets \$18. “This Machine” is ninety minutes of Roy Zimmerman's hilarious, rhyme-intensive original songs. Roy's songs have been heard on HBO and Showtime. He's shared stages with Bill Maher, Robin Williams, Ellen DeGeneres, John Oliver, Kate Clinton and George Carlin. He's been profiled on NPR's “All Things Considered,” and he's a featured blogger for the Huffington Post.

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, May 16, at 6:30pm at the home of Amy Schulz, 2304 S. Syene Rd, in Fitchburg. All levels of Spanish welcome. Bring a dish to pass if convenient – if not, come anyway! Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information or to arrange a ride.

Rosemarie and Ruth - "The Continental Drifters" - will celebrate the merry month of May with three old German May songs: The prelude is a welcome to the birds: “Alle Voegel sind schon da...” (all the birds are here again) and “Der Mai ist gekommen...” (May has come again). For the offertory we do a song by Mozart: “Komm lieber Mai und mache die Bäume wieder gruen” (come dear May and make the trees green again).

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, May 15, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets in Annex
11:45 Board meets upstairs in Annex
7:00 Roy Zimmerman Concert at Prairie

Monday, May 16, 2016

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck

Sunday, May 22, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets in Annex
11:30 Soup Sunday
12:00 **Parish Meeting**

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets

Sunday, May 29, 2016

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

Friday, June 3, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, June 4, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast
9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

Sunday, June 5, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets in Annex
11:45 Humanist Union meets
5:30 Men's Group meets

Sunday, June 12, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets in Annex
11:45 Board meets upstairs in Annex

Monday, June 13, 2016

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

Sunday, June 12, 2016

10:00 Service
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:30 Book Club

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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:

Transition Sunday

