Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"Ingathering of Waters" by Karen Deaton

September 03, 2017



Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Amber Bruns.

Welcome and Announcements: Karen Deaton

Opening Words: Responsive Reading, attached

Silent Meditation

*Opening Hymn #100 (SLT): "I've Got Peace Like a River" Amber Bruns, accompanist.

Chalice Lighting: Based on "Chalice Lighting for Ingathering" by Janet Parsons.

The flame of our chalice this morning is a symbol of the warmth and brightness of our connections. The flame lights our way back together again From our separate summer lives, and it lights our way forward Into this new year of promise and renewal.

Water Ceremony

Offering and Offertory:

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

*Closing Hymn (Back cover of hymnal): "Bond of Union Song"

Closing Words #692: by Lauralyn Bellamy.

If, here, you have found freedom, Take it with you into the world. If you have found comfort, Go and share it with others. If you have dreamed dreams, Help one another, That they may come true! If you have known love, Give some back To a bruised and hurting world. Go in peace.

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Al Nettleton is today's tech assistant.

Announcements

Green Tip: Having a leaky faucet? Please consider fixing it! You'll save up to 140 gallons of fresh water per week, or 7,280 gallons per year. Don't forget about outdoor faucets, too.

We will share our offering in September with Beacon House, the homeless day shelter scheduled to open Oct. 16 in downtown Madison. The shelter will offer appropriate services, including laundry facilities, counseling, and help finding employment, as well as a place to stay warm and fed during the day. There has been a shortfall in the needed funding, which may cause the opening to be delayed. Prairie is trying to do its part!

Prairie is 50 years old! Everyone is invited to a Wine and Cheese party on Saturday, September 16, at 7:00pm. The festivities will continue on Sunday, September 17, with a service focusing on Prairie's history and a potluck lunch afterward!

Soup Sunday! We took the hot summers months off, but Soup Sunday returns today! Stay after the service and share a meal with your family and friends. Suggested donation of \$5 per person.

Please note PrairieWOW will meet on Saturday, September 9.

The Remodeling Committee will hold a presentation on Sunday, September 24, after the service to discuss possible renovations to the Meeting Hall.

Parish meeting October 1! We'll hold a Parish meeting on Sunday, October 1, after the service. The agenda includes Social Action items (supporting the Sanctuary movement and lockers for the homeless) and the possible remodeling of the meeting house.

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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Calendar

Saturday, September 9, 2017 8:30 RE Pontoon Porch

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

Sunday, September 10, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex

10:00 "When Lizards Do Pushups," by Rev. Sandra

Ingham.

11:30 Parent's OWL meeting in Annex

Monday, September 11, 2017

6:30 Program Committee

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

2:00 History Committee in Annex

Sunday, September 17, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex

10:00 "50 Years at Prairie – A Celebration of Every

Decade.

11:45 50th Anniversary potluck

Monday, September 18, 2017

7:00 Board Meeting in Annex

Sunday, September 24, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex

10:00 "LGBTQ History," by Anne Urbanski.

10:30 4th - 6th grade OWL in Annex

11:45 Remodeling Committee in Meeting House

11:45 Auction Activity in Annex

Sunday, October 1, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex

10:00 "We Have, Could Have, Should Have," by Rev.

Sandra Ingham

Friday, October 6, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, October 7, 2017

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 PrairieWOW in Annex

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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:

"When Lizards Do Pushups," by Rev. Sandra ingham.

