

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“A Fork in the Road” by Robin Proud, Phoenix Wardell, Penny Eiler, and Gary Gates.

December 10, 2017



Announcements

Order of Service

Prelude: “What Do You Know?” by Jim Reilly. Performed by the Prairie Choir.

Welcome and Announcements: Robin Proud

Opening Words: “The Road Not Taken,” by Robert Frost.

***Opening Hymn #361 (SLT):** “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In,” Mike Briggs, accompanist.

Chalice Lighting #610: Responsive Reading: “The Journey of Love,” by Mohammed Iqbal.

Joys and Concerns

Silent Meditation

***Hymn #95:** “There is More Love Somewhere”

Reflections: “A Fork in the Road,” by Robin Proud.

Speakers: Phoenix Wardell (read by Rick Ruecking), Penny Eiler, and Gary Gates.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: Performed by Molly Plunkett.

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

***Closing Hymn #151:** “I Wish I Knew How”

Closing Words: “The Journey,” by Mary Oliver.

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

We will share our offering for the rest of the year with Beacon House, the homeless day shelter which opened Oct. 16. The shelter offers laundry facilities, counseling, and help finding employment, as well as a place to stay warm and fed during the day. Prairie is trying to do its part!

Spanish Speakers Potluck will meet on Monday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Emma Pachon. Please bring a dish to pass if convenient. If not, come anyway! Contact Rosemary Dorney at 298-0843 for more information.

The Book Club will meet after the service to discuss Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis, by J.D. Vance. Hillbilly Elegy is about the Appalachian values of the author's upbringing and their relation to the social problems of his hometown.

It is time for us to hang a new art display at Prairie UU. I am looking for contributions of portraits done by you, a friend or family member, or art work you have collected. The portraits can be done in any medium including oil, acrylic, watercolor, pen., pencil or photographs. Please contact Kathy Converse at 608-239-9385 or conversekrtn@gmail.com.

Thank you Mary Mullen and Patty Stockdale for selecting (and delivering to Prairie's doorstep) this year's Symbol Tree, and to Raju (John) Eliganti for setting it up. We'll finish decorating the tree next week at the Symbol Tree service. Bring a memento from the past year to place on the tree and briefly share the meaning of the memento with the Prairie Community.

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

Sunday, December 10, 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service: "The Fork in the Road"
11:30 Board in Annex
11:45 Book Club in Meeting Hall

Monday, December 11, 2017

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck

Sunday, December 17 2017

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service: "Symbol Tree"
11:30 Soup Sunday

Sunday, December 24 2017

NO choir rehearsal
10:00 Service: "Rainbows and Tarantulas"

Sunday, December 31, 2017

NO choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

Friday, January 5, 2018

6:00 Board Game night

Saturday, January 6, 2018

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast
9:00 Prairie WOW in Annex

Sunday, January 7, 2018

8:45 Choir rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:45 Humanist Union in Annex

Monday, January 8, 2018

6:30 Program Committee in Annex

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

2:30 History Committee meets

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:45 Choir rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:45 Book Club 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:

"What Better Time," by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

