

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Friends of State Street Family” by Tammy Fleming

April 9, 2017



Order of Service

Prelude

(To maintain the meditative nature of the service, please refrain from clapping following the special music.)

Welcome and Announcements: Lynn Currie

Opening Words #501 (SLT): by Frederick E. Gillis

***Opening Hymn #205:** “Amazing Grace” Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Chalice Lighting #484: read by Isabella Gessler

To live content with small means;
To seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement
rather than fashion;
To be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich;
To study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly;
To listen to stars and birds, to babes and sages, with
open heart;
To bear all cheerfully do all bravely, await occasions,
hurry never;
To let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious, grow
up through the common.
This is to be my symphony.

Story for All Ages: “A Shelter in Our Car,” by Monica Gunning.

Children’s Recessional: by Joyce Poley

*As you go on your way, may you be filled with gladness.
Go in joy, go in joy!
May fortune bless your day with peace and loving kindness.
Go in love, go in love.*

Joys and Concerns

Silent Meditation

Program: “Friends of State Street Family,” by Tammy Flemming.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory

This month our collections will be shared with Friends of State Street Family.

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

***Closing Hymn #118:** “This Little Light of Mine”

Closing Words #668: “Faith Cannot Save” from James 2.

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

We will share our offering in April with Friends of State Street Family. On an average Saturday this volunteer powered group feeds 200 people healthy, home cooked meals. They also collect and distribute survival gear to people who can't sleep in shelters because they have used up their allotment or prefer not to stay.

Whither Elders? Prairie Elders meetings are on hold for the foreseeable future. Attendance has fallen off to nearly zero. Unless there is a renewed interest, the Elders group will be permanently retired. Please provide your thoughts on the future of Elders to both Al Nettleton and Penny Eiler.

The Spanish Speaker Potluck will meet on Monday, April 10, at 6:30pm in the Annex. All levels of Spanish are welcome. Bring a dish to pass if you can – otherwise come anyway! Contact Rosemary Dorney (238-0843) for more information or to arrange a ride.

We try to do an informational meeting for new members and recent visitors twice a year, spring and fall. Our spring session will be Saturday morning April 22 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon in the Annex. Child care can be provided if requested. Veteran Prairie members share their personal religious journey, and Rev. Sandy and Erin Bosch share UU history, Prairie history, and Prairie organization. Continental breakfast provided. Please contact Erin Bosch to RSVP (hillfarms2002 at yahoo.com).

The Spring Parish Meeting will be held on May 21.

Soup Sunday will be held on April 23, the fourth Sunday.

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

Monday, April 10, 2017

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck in the Annex

Sunday, April 16, 2017

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

Saturday, April 22, 2017

9:00 Introduction to Prairie in the Annex

Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 Soup Sunday

Sunday, April 30, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 RE Special Events
11:30 After Church Forum

Monday, May 1, 2017

6:30 Program Committee meets

Friday, May 2, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night in the Annex

Friday, May 5, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, May 6, 2017

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

Sunday, May 7, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
10:15 Last formal RE class of 2016/2017
11:45 Humanist Union meets

Friday, May 12, 2017

5:00 Prairie Family Retreat begins at

Saturday, May 13, 2017

8:00 Prairie Family Retreat day 2

Sunday, May 14, 2017

8:00 Prairie Family Retreat day 3

Sunday, May 21, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:45 Parish Meeting

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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:

“Exuberance Unbounded,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

