

Order of Service: December 13, 2020 "Symbol Tree" by the Prairie Congregation

Note: This service will be recorded Reader: Margit Zoom helper: Renee

Opening Song: Silent Night performed by Amber

Welcome and Announcements: Karen Deaton

Chalice Lighting: One Small Face by Margaret Starkey

"With mounds of greenery, the brightest ornaments, we bring high summer to our rooms, as if to spite the somberness of winter come.

In time of want, when life is boarding up against the next uncertain spring, we celebrate and give of what we have away.

All creatures bend to rules, even the stars constrained.

There is a blessed madness in the human need to go against the grain of cold and scarcity.

We make a holiday, the rituals varied as the hopes of humanity, the reasons as obscure as ancient solar festivals, as clear as joy on one small face."

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages: <u>Santa Cows</u> by Cooper Edens, Illustrated by Daniel Lane

Presentation: Symbol Tree

Relates to 1st Principle - The inherent worth and dignity of every person

Closing Words: by David Breeden

"In this holiday season, throughout the year to come, and always in our lives, may we know we are loved; may we share the love we have; and may we be the love we wish to see."

Closing Song *Deck the Halls* performed by Amber

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa-la-la 'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa-la-la . . . Don we now our gay apparel, Fa-la-la Troll the ancient Yule-tide carol, Fa-la-la . . . See the blazing Yule before us, Fa-la-la . . . Strike the harp and join the chorus, Fa-la-la . . . Follow me in merry measure, Fa-la-la . . . While I tell of Yule-tide treasure, Fa-la-la . . . Fast away the old year passes, Fa-la-la Hail the new year, lads and lasses, Fa-la-la . . . Sing we joyous, all together, Fa-la-la Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa-la-la . . .

Virtual Coffee Hour

Guest/visitor welcome, Joys and Concerns and chatting



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.



We are sharing our <u>Offering</u> this quarter with the <u>The Catalyst Project</u> which is a community of up to four single moms and their kids who are experiencing homelessness. The families gain access to permanent housing and other support services while living community-style in a house on Madison's east side.

Upcoming Events

Prairie Sing Along (every Sunday) 7pm

We use songsheets displayed on the ZOOM whiteboard and the Rise Up Singing songbook. It's a great opportunity to practice your guitar or ukulele and sing with no judgements... and bring out the folk-rock star that you are. Everyone & all ages are welcomed. Zoom hosts Mary Mullen and Patty Stockdale.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85355334298
Join by phone: 1(312) 626-6799 Meeting ID: 853 5533 4298

Prairie Study Group (2nd & 4th Mondays) 7pm

This study group is part of Prairie's initiative to become a more truly welcoming congregation to those of all ethnic and class backgrounds, genders and sexual orientations as we proclaim at the start of our services. Please participate if you can.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88309002767
Join by phone: 1 (312) 626-6799 Meeting ID: 883 0900 2767

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons - beginners group (every Tuesday) 4:30pm

Looking for a fun way to get social with friends? Well, this is the group for you! No prior experience necessary - though a camera & microphone will be required for full participation. This group is open to anyone! Ages 9 & up will be most comfortable.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87803393490

Tuesday Trivia (1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month) 7pm

During covid19 in person trivia has moved online! Prairie members and non members are invited to play. Email Renee reneedeschard[at sign]gmail.com to get added to the trivia email list.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89006194902

Wednesday Fun 6pm

ALL are welcome. Wednesday activities may include read alouds, show & tell, virtual hide & seek, talent shows, pet demonstrations, sing-a-longs, or general tomfoolery. Actually, the tomfoolery is guaranteed. Hope to see you there! Fun usually ends by 6:30.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84638913138

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons - advanced group (every Friday) 4:30pm

Bring your character and immerse yourself in a virtual world of storytelling and decision-making. Camera & microphone will be necessary to interact fully. This group is open to anyone! Ages 9 & up will be most comfortable.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8684777436

Service: "Winter Watches" by Prairie 12/20 10am

Need some new media ideas to get you thru the winter? Come and hear about our favorite: podcasts, to shows, movies, youtube channels & more! <u>Click here to submit your suggestions</u> and help everyone pass the time during colder weather.

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