

Small Group Discussion and BYO Picnic

Order of Service

July 4, 2021

Prelude: Brenda Subbert's by Jerry Holland.

Welcome and Announcements: Barbara Park

Opening Words: "Janus," by K. Balechandran

Past*

Prods present

To invent*

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future

Chalice Lighting: by Marjorie Montgomery

Life is a gift for which we are grateful.
We gather in community to
Celebrate the glories and the
mysteries of this great gift.

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns and Welcome Visitors

Song: Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Come, come, whoever you are,
wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving.
Ours is no caravan of despair.
Come, yet again come.

Presentation: Looking Back, Looking Forward

Questions to discuss:

1. What did you miss most during our 15 month separation?
2. What do you want as we begin to gather again?

Offering and Offertory: "In Schubert's Day" by Richard Krentzlin

Song: "America the Beautiful" by Samuel Ward.

Closing Words:

We have wintered enough, mourned enough, oppressed
ourselves enough...
The flow of life moves ever onward through one faithful
spring, and another, and now another.
May we be forever grateful.

Greet Your Neighbor

Announcements and Lyrics

We are sharing our Offering with the Willma's Fund.

Created by Donald Haar aka Willma Flynn-Stone in 2011, Willma's Fund provides assistance to homeless members of the LGBTQ community residing in Dane County and is a program of OutReach LGBT Community Center. A Shared Offering envelope is available on the Welcoming Table, or click Give on the Prairie UU website <https://uuprairie.org/>

Lyrics to America the Beautiful:

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For am-ber waves of grain,
For pur-ple moun-tain majesties
A-bove the fruited plain.
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with broth-er-hood
From sea to shining sea.

Stay after the service today for a Bring-Your-Own picnic!



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.

Calendar

Sunday services meet in the back yard of Prairie's Annex at 2006 Whenona Drive. Services are also streamed over Zoom.

Sunday, July 4, 2021

10:00 Service

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

7:00 Tuesday Trivia

Friday, July 9, 2021

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Sunday, July 11, 2021

10:00 Service

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

6:00 Board Meeting

Friday, July 16, 2021

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Sunday, July 18, 2021

10:00 Service

Tuesday, July 20, 2021

7:00 Tuesday Trivia

Friday, July 23, 2021

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Saturday, July 24, 2021

10:00 Creativity and Connection

Sunday, July 25, 2021

10:00 Joint Service with the Free Congregation

Friday, July 30, 2021

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Sunday, August 1, 2021

10:00 Service

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

7:00 Tuesday Trivia

Friday, August 6, 2021

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Prairie Staff and Board Members

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Upcoming Services

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Flower Ceremony

The Flower Festival (aka Flower Ceremony or Flower Communion), is an annual ritual that celebrates beauty, human uniqueness, diversity, and community. Originally created in 1923 by Unitarian minister Norbert Capek of Prague, Czechoslovakia, the Flower Ceremony was introduced to the United States by Rev. Maya Capek, Norbert's widow.

In this ceremony, everyone in the congregation brings a flower. Each person places a flower on the altar or in a shared vase. The congregation blesses the flowers and they're redistributed. Each person brings home a different flower than the one they brought.

Sunday, July 18, 2021

“Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America - Madison” by Gwyneth Hughes

This presentation will describe the underlying motivations and ongoing work of Moms Demand Action in the gun violence prevention movement. We'll examine how the "guns everywhere" philosophy is at odds with human rights and imagine what a future free from gun violence might look like. We'll also discuss actions Wisconsinites can take to advocate for gun sense in our community, state, and nation.

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.