

“Labor in the Pulpits / On the Bimah / In the Minbar” by Rebecca Meier-Rao

Order of Service
September 5, 2021

Prelude: “Nightfall,” by Bruns.

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Matt Aspin

Chalice Lighting: “Honoring Our Labors,” by Florence Caplow.

In recognition of Labor Day,
we light this flame to honor all work,
Including the work of our hands and our backs,
in gratitude for all the labors that support our world,
and for all those who boldly continue the work of justice,
equity, and peace.

Opening Music #1074 (STJ): “Turn the World Around,”
accompanied by Amber. *Please do not sing.*

Reading: by Megan Visser

We enter this meeting house for kindness and comfort.
May rough-worn hands and aching backs be healed.

We enter this meeting house of hope for equality.
May those who labor to survive live to know justice.

We enter this meeting house of love and vocation.
May our bonds of solidarity be strengthened.

We enter this meeting house of courage and friendship.
May we proceed hand-in-hand toward freedom.

Joys and Concerns and Welcome Visitors

Silent Meditation

Presentation: “Labor in the Pulpits / On the Bimah / In the
Minbar,” by Rebecca Meier-Rao.

This presentation relates to the 1st Principle.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: “Andaluza,” by Granados.

Closing Music #109 (SLT): “As We Come Marching,
Marching” *Please do not sing.*

Closing Words: by Thomas Edison

“Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration.”

Greet Your Neighbor

*The audio of this service is being recorded for those who
are unable to attend today.*

Announcements

We are sharing our Offering with the Allied Wellness Center. The Wellness Center is a neighborhood Center with the purpose of promoting health and wellness of the mind, body and spirit of people living in the Allied, Belmar and Dunn’s Marsh neighborhoods. Through a philosophy of care and respect, we encourage participation and leadership to build a strong community. The Wellness Center connects people with important health resources and programs. Through a strong sense of community, and by encouraging everyone to make healthy choices, holistic wellness becomes available for all.

Green Note: Recycle your toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, and floss containers at Prairie! There is a box on the shelf outside the restrooms. This is an initiative by the Green Sanctuary Committee.

Study Group Begins in September! After a summer hiatus, Prairie’s Study Group will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 pm via Zoom. The September meetings will be on the 13th and 27th. We’ll be discussing the book Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants by Robin Wall Kimmereras. Heidi Hughes will lead the discussion. “Robin Wall Kimmereras has written an extraordinary book, showing how the factual, objective approach of science can be enriched by the ancient knowledge of the indigenous people. It is the way she captures beauty that I love the most [...]”—Jane Goodall. This novel won many awards.

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, September 5, 2021
10:00 Service

Tuesday, September 7, 2021
7:00 Tuesday Trivia

Friday, September 10, 2021
4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Saturday, September 11, 2021
4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (beginners)

Sunday, September 12, 2021
10:00 Service
11:30 Board (Annex)
12:00 New Member Orientation (Meeting House)

Monday, September 13, 2021
7:00 Study Group

Friday, September 17, 2021
4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Saturday, September 18, 2021
4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (beginners)

Sunday, September 19, 2021
10:00 Service

Tuesday, September 21, 2021
7:00 Tuesday Trivia

Thursday, September 23, 2021
5:00 Board

Friday, September 24, 2021
4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Saturday, September 25, 2021
10:00 Creativity and Connection
4:40 Duntions&Dragons (beginners)

Sunday, September 26, 2021
10:00 Service

Monday, September 27, 2021
7:00 Study Group

Upcoming Services

Sunday, September 12, 2021

Ingathering

Indoor service: 2010 Whenona Drive Madison (masks required ages 2 and up)

Childcare: Children 10 and under will be going to Marlborough Park and the youth (11+) will be gathering in the front yard of the Meeting House. We'll start signing in children/youth at 9:50 in the front yard of the Meeting House (2010 Whenona Drive).

Sunday, September 19, 2021

Service by Rev. Matt Aspin

Sunday, September 26, 2021

"Unitarian, Suffragist, and Black," by Frances E. W. Harper.

Few of us have heard of Frances Ellen Watkins Harper, the leading Black poet of the 19th century, a novelist and essayist, a fighter for abolition, temperance and women's suffrage. She chose to join the Unitarian church as an adult because it supported her aspirations for the country. The first full biography of this important figure has just been published to help us uncover her story.

Sunday, October 3, 2021

Building Dedication

Prairie Staff and Board Members

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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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:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.