

## Service Auction

### Order of Service November 7, 2021

**Opening Song:** Pledge Video 4

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rev. Matt Aspin

**Chalice Lighting:** "The Persistent Flame" by Amy Brooks

Even as the days grow shorter,  
and our homes shrink smaller,  
and our wicks burn lower,  
and our will to endure flickers,

we light this chalice  
to kindle a flame of warmth  
as a reminder  
of the connection that draws us in  
to a community that opens us up

in gratitude  
for the breath in our lungs  
and the love in our hearts,  
for the gift of this day,  
alive.

**Joys and Concerns and Welcome Visitors**

**Silent Meditation**

**Centering Words**

**Auction**

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



### Announcements

**We are sharing this quarter's offering with The Catalyst Project**, a community of up to four single moms and their kids who are experiencing homelessness. In partnership with founders Susan and Anna Donahoe, the families gain access to permanent housing and other support services while living community-style in a house on Madison's east side. Catalyst is founded on the belief that the wisdom of those who are not well served by society is essential to creating a society that serves all of its people.

**Service Auction Today!** You can pick up a bidder card in the lobby. Take a look at the auction instructions and item list! We'll start the day with a short service and then move right into the service auction!

**The Study Group Continues in November!** Prairie's Study Group meets via Zoom the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. November's book selection will be Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond. Part 1 of the discussion will be on November 8.

**The Fall Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 21 at 10:00 a.m.** We'll be voting on the 2022 budget and electing a new Board member. We'll also have summaries of committee activities and discuss any other necessary topics.

### **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, November 7, 2021**

10:00 Service Auction

**Monday November 8, 2021**

7:00 Study Group

**Friday, November 12, 2021**

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

**Saturday, November 13, 2021**

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (beginners)

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

10:00 Service

**Tuesday, November 16, 2021**

7:00 Tuesday Trivia

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

1:00 Rev. Matt's Chats

7:30 Rev. Matt's Chats

**Thursday, November 18, 2021**

5:30 Board

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

**Saturday, November 20, 2021**

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (beginners)

**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

10:00 Parish Meeting

**Monday, November 22, 2021**

7:00 Study Group

**Thursday, November 25, 2021**

Happy Thanksgiving!

**Friday, November 26, 2021**

4:30 Dungeons&Dragons (advanced)

Prairie Staff and Board Members

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Upcoming Services

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

“What Can You Do About Climate Change?” by Ankur Desai

You have probably heard stories in the news about climate change or global warming. If these stories are all true, what does it mean for the future? Or maybe the stories are exaggerated? Either way, how should we be good stewards of the only planet we've lived on? Let's discuss what we know about the science, what it means for ecosystems and society, and why developing climate policy or technological solutions are so difficult. What can you actually do to ensure a healthy, prosperous, sustainable, and just world? I will present some of the basics of climate change and some of our research at UW-Madison on impacts of climate change to Wisconsin forests and wetlands. But most of all, I'd like to use this time to let you hold a discussion and ask all the questions you want about climate change and possible solutions.

**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

***Fall Parish Meeting***

We'll start at 10:00 a.m. with a short service, then move into the meeting. Among other items, we'll be voting on the 2022 budget and electing a Board member. There will also be summaries of committee activities available to read.

**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.