

"Meeting with MOSES" by Eugene Crisler 'El

Order of Service

April 10, 2022

Prelude: "Sonata Prima" by Castello, performed by Amber.

Welcome and Announcements: Pam Gates

Welcome New Member: Ruth Dougherty

Opening Music #1023 (STJ): "Building Bridges"

Chalice Lighting: "Deepening the Spirit," by Cynthia Landrum.

We light this chalice, the beacon that calls us:

To love

To justice

To a deepening of the spirit

Reading: "It Is Good To Be Together," By Alison Wohler.

With thankful hearts we have come together this morning
to celebrate the bounty of the day,
to bask in the warmth of this community,
to share with friends the tides of our lives,
to entertain, perennially, our hopes for a better future.
We join together, this morning as always, to resist
injustice and inequality, wherever they may be found.
Our hearts are touched by the human need we feel around
us,
whether far away or within reach of our hand.
We come here, to be together, because this is how we
believe our lives are best lived:
in questioning and in conversation,
in compassion and in service,
in gratitude and in joy,
in companionship, and in love.
It is good to be together with you this morning!

Story for All Ages

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.

Silent Meditation

Presentation: "Meeting with MOSES," by Eugene Crisler 'El.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "Giga," by Corelli, performed by Amber.

Closing Words: "The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row," by Anthony Ray Hinton.

"It all matters. How we live matters. Do we choose love or do we choose hate? Do we help or do we harm? Because there is no way to know the exact second your life changes forever. You can only begin to know that moment by looking in the rearview mirror. And trust me when I tell you when you never, ever see it coming.

Closing Music #1024 (STJ): "When the Spirit Says Do"

Joys and Concerns: Welcome Guests and Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor

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.

Announcements

We are sharing our Offering this quarter with the **Tenant Resource Center** which is dedicated to promoting positive relations between rental housing consumers (tenants) and providers (landlords) by providing information and referrals, education about rental rights and responsibilities, and access to conflict resolution.

Register now for our annual retreat April 29th-May 1st 2022 at Bethel Horizons in Dodgeville! Online registration is preferred, there are paper registration forms on the back hymnal cart.

The Study Group Continues in April! Prairie's Study Group will meet via Zoom the April 11 to discuss the book Colonize This! edited by Daisy Hernandez and Bushra Rehman, led by Pageen Small.

The Nominating Committee is seeking an At-Large Board Member. We would especially like to see a newer member fill this position. Someone who doesn't have a long history with Prairie brings a valuable fresh perspective. Please contact the Nominating Committee if you're interested.

New Adult Religious Exploration offerings available at Prairie Contact [Rev. Matt Aspin](#) for form information!

Article II Study Commission: 8 sessions. Each two hour session that will inform, inspire, and challenge you to think deeply about the Principles & Sources, Purpose of the UUA, the Inclusion Clause and Freedom of Belief Statement.

Spiritual Exploration Group: Explore your own spirituality and help define spirituality at Prairie.

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Upcoming Services

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Service by Rev. Matt Aspin

Sunday, April 24, 2022

"Earth Day – Walking The Talk" by Gary Gates

Sunday, May 1, 2022

Retreat April 29 to May 1

Key Log Ceremony as part of the Prairie Retreat

Sunday, May 8, 2022

Service

Sunday, May 15, 2022

Service

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Service

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Service

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Service

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.