

## Parish Meeting Sunday

### Order of Service

May 22, 2022

**Prelude:** "I Shall Be Released," by Bob Dylan, performed by Ron Frye.

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rachel Long

**Chalice Lighting:** "Justice, Meaning, and Purpose," by David Breeden.

We light this chalice  
remembering and honoring our own tradition  
and celebrating the rich diversity of traditions among us.  
As we search for justice, meaning, and purpose,  
may we remember that justice, meaning, and purpose  
live first in deeply listening to one another.

**Centering Remarks:** Rev. Matt Aspin

### **Joys and Concerns**

**Extinguishing the Chalice:** "Carry the Flame," by Brian Kiely.

The Chalice is now extinguished,  
but its light lives on in the minds and hearts and souls of  
each one of you.  
Carry that flame with you as you leave this place and share  
it  
With those you know  
With those you love  
and most especially, with those you have yet to meet.

### Announcements

**We are sharing our offering for this quarter** with The Catalyst Project, a small community of up to three single moms and their young kids who have experienced homelessness. Catalyst offers collaborative problem-solving, trauma-informed mentoring, and client-specific therapeutic intervention. The Catalyst Project was founded on the belief that the wisdom of those grossly mistreated by our society and its discriminatory systems is essential to creating a society that serves all of its people.

**Prairie's Spring Parish Meeting** is today! We'll start the day with a short service, then move into meeting. We'll be electing Board and Nominating Committee members along with other business.

**Creativity and Connection** will meet on Saturday, May 28, at 10:00 a.m. Creativity and Connection is a monthly get together to connect and work on creative projects. Each month we'll get together to work on a project using supplies you should have on hand. The focus will be on the creative process rather than the outcome, but there will be an opportunity to share your project at the end.

**Spiritual Exploration Group** will meet every 2 weeks, on a drop-in basis, with rotating discussion leaders. No preparation or reading is required; it will be an opportunity to quiet our minds, share what's going on in our hearts, experience presence together, and deepen our sense of community. The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 2, at 1:00 p.m. Please join us!

### **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

**Friday, May 27, 2022**

4:30 Dungeons and Dragons

**Saturday, May 28, 2022**

10:00 Creativity and Connection

**Sunday, May 29, 2022**

10:00 Service

**Thursday, June 2, 2022**

1:00 Spiritual Exploration

**Friday, June 3, 2022**

4:30 Dungeons and Dragons

**Saturday, June 4, 2022**

10:00 PrairieWOW

**Sunday, June 5, 2022**

10:00 Service

**Friday, June 10, 2022**

4:30 Dungeons and Dragons

**Sunday, June 12, 2022**

10:00 Service

**Thursday, June 16, 2022**

1:00 Spiritual Exploration

**Friday, June 17, 2022**

4:30 Dungeons and Dragons

**Sunday, June 19, 2022**

10:00 Service

**Friday, June 24, 2022**

4:30 Dungeons and Dragons

**Saturday, June 25, 2022**

10:00 Creativity and Connection

Upcoming Services

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

*Parish Meeting*

**Sunday, May 29, 2022**

Service

**Sunday, June 5, 2022**

Bridging Ceremony

**Sunday, June 12, 2022**

Service

**Sunday, June 19, 2022**

Service

**Sunday, June 26, 2022**

Summer Reads

**Sunday, July 3, 2022**

Service

**Sunday, July 10, 2022**

Service

**Sunday, July 17, 2022**

Service

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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.