



## "My Journey to Gaza" by Tsela Barr

**6th Principle:** The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all

**Value:** Justice

### Order Of Service - Oct 20th, 2024

**Prelude:** "Salaam Shalom" by Raffi. Performed by the Prairie Choir, directed by Barb Park, accompanied by Dan Proud

**Welcome:** KD Thompson

**Chalice Lighting** by Debra Faulk

We light this chalice  
Symbolic of the warmth of community and  
The brightness that love brings to the world  
Illuminating our search for justice and peace  
Light, that force that nurtures all living things  
Here in our midst in this flame,  
So tiny and so significant

**Opening Music:** #168 SLT "One More Step",  
accompanied by Tuppence Van de Vaarst

**Story For All Ages:** *Homeland: My Father Dreams of Palestine* by Hannah Moushabeck

**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:** "My Journey to Gaza" by Tsela Barr

**Offering and Offertory:** "May it Be" by Enya and  
Nick Ryan performed by Tuppence Van de Vaarst

**Closing Words** by Shari Woodbury

Let us continue to grow as citizens of our  
communities, our nation, and our world. Let us  
work to build the common good, for ourselves and  
the generations to come. May it be so. [Blessed  
be]

**Closing Music:** "Strangest Dream" by Ed McCurdy,  
led by Dan Proud. Lyrics are on the back of this  
page.

### Announcements

### Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

### Greet Your Neighbor

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back hymnal cart)



## Lyrics for "Strangest Dream" by Ed McCurdy

Last night I had the strangest dream  
I'd never dreamed before.  
I dreamed the world had all agreed  
To put an end to war.

I dreamed I saw a mighty room,  
Filled with women and men,  
And the paper they were signing said  
They'd never fight again.

And when the paper was all signed,  
And a million copies made,  
They all joined hands & bowed their heads  
And grateful prayers were prayed.

And the people in the streets below  
Were dancing round and round,  
While swords and guns and uniforms  
Were scattered on the ground.

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I'd never dreamed before.  
I dreamed the world had all agreed  
To put an end to war.

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### Grief Support Group starts Wed, Oct 23, 10am

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski will lead a five-session workshop exploring grief starting on Wednesday, October 23rd 10-11:30am. Please look for Prairie's news of the week email for more information. To register, contact Prairie Admin, Nancy Wunderlin at [admin@uuprairie.org](mailto:admin@uuprairie.org)  
Questions? Contact Rev. Ralph Tyksinski at 608-873-6041

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### Prairie Evening Potluck Thurs, Oct 24, 6pm

You are invited to a Prairie Evening Potluck at Prairie's main building. Please bring a dish to share. There is no special occasion. Just friends sharing a meal. Please contact Patty Stockdale at [pstockdale828@gmail.com](mailto:pstockdale828@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.

## Announcements

### Today - Interweave

Prairie's group for LGBTQ+ and questioning folks, as well as allies, meeting for fellowship and discussion in the annex after the Sunday service. All are welcome.

### Today - Prairie Leadership Forum

After today's service there is a Prairie Leadership Forum starting at noon. This meeting is specifically designed for Committee Chairs (or an assigned representative), and Board Members. Interested members are also welcome to attend and listen in.

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### Next Sunday's Service: "All Souls' Day" by Prairie

All Souls' Day is on November 2nd which honors those who have passed. For our service Sunday, October 27th, we'll be remembering loved ones who are no longer with us. Attendees are invited to briefly share a memory or story and bring pictures or mementos of your loved ones to place on a common display table.

**Next Sunday in RE:** Halloween Party! Costumes are welcome. Bring candy and trinkets for trick-or-treat before the service, outside or in the foyer, depending on weather. Party volunteers are needed!

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### Your Pledge Strengthens Our Community

The 2025 Prairie pledge drive is under way. Your pledge is essential for funding our programs, services, and operations, including Religious Exploration and social groups that offer connection, learning, and support.

### ***Please respond with your pledge by Nov 1, 2024.***

Bring your pledge form to Prairie or return by mail. Pledge forms are available today on the back hymnal cart and on our website on the For Current Members section. Questions? Contact Finance Chair, Chris Porter, [finance@uuprairie.org](mailto:finance@uuprairie.org)