

"The Power of a Promise" by Dr. Hassimi Traore & Mary Sue Reutebuch
2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations; **Value:** Generosity

Order Of Service - Feb 09, 2025

Prelude: "You've Got a Friend in Me" by Randy Newman, performed by Ron Frye

Welcome: Anne Pryor

Chalice Lighting by the Nigerian author and feminist activist, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie.

If I were not African, I wonder whether it would be clear to me that Africa is a place where the people do not need limp gifts of fish but sturdy fishing rods and fair access to the pond. I wonder whether I would realize that while African nations have a failure of leadership, they also have dynamic people with agency and voices.

Opening Music: #16 SLT "Tis a Gift to Be Simple" accompanied by Karleen Tyksinski

Story For All Ages: *Wangari's Trees of Peace: A True Story from Africa* by Jeanette Winter

Children's Recessional by Joyce Poley, accompanied by Karleen Tyksinski

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: "The Power of a Promise" by Dr. Hassimi Traore & Mary Sue Reutebuch

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "Help Somebody" by Susan Werner, performed by Ron Frye. Follow along with lyrics on the back of this page.

Closing Words This poem was written by the great South African author Dennis Brutus.

There will come a time
 There will come a time we believe
 When the shape of the planet
 and the divisions of the land
 Will be less important;
 We will be caught in a glow of friendship
 a red star of hope
 will illuminate our lives
 A star of hope
 A star of joy
 A star of freedom

Closing Music: #6 "Just as Long as I Have Breath" accompanied by Karleen Tyksinski

Announcements

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor

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Lyrics for "Help Somebody" by Susan Werner

I got plenty and then some, What do I do?
Plenty and then some, What do I do?
I got plenty and then some, What do I do, now?
I go out and help somebody
Get plenty and then some, too

I got a roof over my head, What do I do?
A roof over my head, What do I do?
I got a roof over my head, What do I do, now?
I go out and help somebody
Get a roof over their head, too

I got supper on the table, What do I do?
I got supper on the table, What do I do?
I got supper on the table, What do I do, now?
I go out and help somebody
Get supper on the table, too
That's what I do

'Cause I got it to give, I got it to give
And when you got enough to give away
Well it's the only way to live

I'm going to heaven, What do I do?
I'm going to heaven, What do I do?
I'm going to heaven, What do I do, now?
I go out and help somebody
I go out and help somebody
I go out and help somebody get to heaven, too
I go out and help somebody get to Heaven, too.

Prairie's 1st Quarter Offertory Sharing

The Catalyst Project, a mutually supportive community for single mothers and their children who have experienced homelessness.

In the 4th quarter of 2024, we donated \$1,208 to the Tenant Resource Center. Thank you for your generosity!

Today - Prairie UU Parents' Group (PUUPs)

Meeting today after the service. We'll enjoy a family pizza party, then adults will move upstairs for discussion (child care provided).

Next Sunday "Exploring Love Languages" by Mary Sue Reutebuch

Although there are many "love languages", Mary Sue Reutebuch will look at the five outlined by the counselor Dr. Gary Chapman in his book, *The Five Love Languages*. By exploring how our loved ones best give and receive love, we can gain insights for more meaningful communication and stronger relationships. We'll also have a Chocolate Meditation.

Next Sunday in RE: Peer group classes.

Prairie Game Group Saturday, Feb 15th

1 to 4:30pm, Meeting House 2010 Whenona Dr. All ages are invited to play tabletop games together. A variety of games are available, For more information or to join the mailing list, please contact Andrea Scott at annadax@yahoo.com

Prairie Spring Auction Sunday, March 16, 10am **Now accepting auction items**

Join us for Prairie's biggest fundraiser! Bid on fantastic food, unique experiences, and special services—all offered by fellow members and friends. Every winning bid supports Prairie and strengthens our community.

Got something fun to offer? Donate an event, service, or item using our auction website posted to Prairie News. Questions? Reach out to Chris Porter or Nancy Wunderlin. We need bidders too! Hope you can be there. Can't make it? Ask a fellow member to bid for you as a proxy.