



"Engaging Our Theological Diversity" by Avalon Haykus

4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning; **Value:** Pluralism

Order Of Service - Feb 23, 2025

Prelude: "Ritual and Celebration" by Spears performed by Amber

Welcome: KD Thompson

Chalice Lighting by Erik Walker Wikstrom

We light this chalice for all who are here, and all who are not;
For all who have ever walked through our doors, for those who may yet find this spiritual home, and for those we can't even yet imagine.
For each of us and for us all, may this flame burn warm and bright.

Opening Music: #322 SLT "Thanks Be for These" accompanied by Amber

Story For All Ages: *The Invisible String* by Patrice Karst, illustrated by Geoff Stevenson

Children's Recessional by Joyce Poley, accompanied by Amber

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: "Engaging Our Theological Diversity" by Avalon Haykus

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "Capricho catalan" from *España* by Albéniz, performed by Amber

Closing Words by Sheri Prud'homme

The patchwork quilt of our theological heritage is torn and fraying in places, and it is stunningly vibrant in others. Some sections have been mended or wholly replaced... As we mature spiritually as a tradition and as people, we develop our capacities to be with the broken and the beautiful, the contradictions, and the complexities.

Closing Music: #123 SLT "Spirit of Life", accompanied by Amber

Announcements

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor

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Prairie's 1st Quarter Offertory Sharing

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

Interweave Collection

Beginning now and continuing through the end of March, Interweave (Prairie's group for LGBTQ+ folks and allies) is collecting funds to donate to the Trans Youth Emergency Project, which helps families navigate care, offering logistical and financial support. To donate, click "Give" on Prairie's website and select Interweave from the drop-down menu.

Prairie Spring Auction Sunday, March 16, 10am

Offering a service for our auction is a wonderful way to contribute! Past services offered include: drives to/from the airport, attending a protest on your behalf, painting an interior room, yard work, and organizing a room/closet.

Here are some key tips:

Set a Time Block – Specify how much time you're offering so bidders know what to expect.

Get the Family Involved – Make it a fun family activity by including your kids in the service.

Submit items using our auction website or pick up a paper form on the hymnal cart. Questions? Contact Chris Porter or Nancy Wunderlin

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Today - Leadership Forum, 12-1pm

After the Sunday service there is a Prairie Leadership Forum starting at noon in the main building. This meeting is for Committee Chairs (or committee representatives), Board Members, and staff. Interested members are also welcome to attend and listen in. Childcare provided.

Today - Girl Scout Cookie Sale

Come to the foyer after the service and buy delicious cookies from three Prairie Girl Scouts. We will divvy the orders between the three girls and you will get your cookies right away. Can't decide today? You can email reneedeschard@gmail.com what you want to purchase. Thank you for supporting our Girl Scouts/their troops.

Next Sunday "Healing Communities through Kinship" by Mary Sue Reutebuch

Mary Sue Reutebuch will share the inspiring work of Greg Boyle. In 1992, as a response to the civil unrest in Los Angeles, Boyle launched Homeboy Industries to create an environment that provided training, work experience, and above all, the opportunity for rival gang members to work side by side. Today it is the largest gang re-entry program in the county, and has become a national model for community building. Boyle states, "You stand with the least likely to succeed until success is succeeded by something more valuable: kinship".

Next Sunday in RE: Children and youth of all ages will prepare for the intergenerational service on March 9, when they will present a play based on the story of the Good Samaritan. Adult volunteers are needed to assist in supervision and rehearsal.