

Mary Mullen's Services at Prairie, 1980-2017

KEY

* = presentation was delivered by someone else, but all or a large share of the service planning, including suggesting and inviting the speaker was done by Mary

(mp3) or (script) after a service = recording or transcript is on the Prairie website.

(tape) = a tape recording was made that is in Prairie archives

Music services are bolded and in italics.

1980 June 21 "Dunn's Marsh: Its Ecology & Politics" with neighbor Ron Johnson

1981 Aug. 16 "Wonderful Wetlands in General, Dunn's Marsh in Particular" with Anne Forbes

1983 - Lay ministry on the Environment (9 services)

1983 April 10 "Many Connections: Oak Leaves, Pussy Willows, & You."

1983 April 17 "Preserving Nature's Trails" with Phillip Lewis and David Wallner

1983 April 24 "The End of a Trail." Presented by Phillip Salkin.

1983 May 1* "The Circle: Native American Religion & Land Use." Presented by Brent Haglund.

1983 May 6* "The Issue of Phosphorus in Wisconsin Waters." Presented by Bob West.

1983 May 15 "Knowing by Hearing: Bird Songs & Frog Songs." Presented by Mary Mullen and Marian Moran.

1983 May 29* "Making a Livable Urban Environment." Presented by John Proctor.

1983 June 5* "Keeping the World Safe for Predators & Bringing the Cranes Back." Presented by Jan Petrie.

1983 June 19 "In Celebration of Nature"

1984 Jan. 15 "William Blake, Poet and Artist" with Lois Hagstrom.

1984 April 29 "Report on Trip to Texas/Mexico Border."

1984 Nov. 24* "Why a Woman Minister?" with several women ministers

1985 June 16 "About Quakers" with Doleta Chapru, Joanne Elder, and Bettina Bjorksten

1985 June 23 "Quakerstyle Service"

1987 June 21 "Reflections on the Church Next Door"

1989 Jan. 22 "Japan and Us."

1989 Jan. 29 "East Asia - Myths and Reality" with Sally Henshaw & Wu Weidong

1989 Feb. 6 "Making Peace With the East" with Sally Henshaw.

1989-90 - Lay ministry on Lesbian and Gay issues, with Fredericka Schilling (5 services)

1989 Dec. 10 "Sounds Suspiciously Like Homophobia to Me."

1989 Dec. 17 * "Better Gay than Grumpy." But what about the rest of the family? Panel discussion by gay fathers, lesbian mothers and parents of lesbian and gay children. (tape)

1989 Dec. 17 "Better Gay than Grumpy - But what about the rest of the family?" (tape)

1990 Jan. 14* "Dark Days & Dawn: Not a Straight History." Talk by UW professor John Longress about gay and lesbian history highlights. Video clips of the 1962 UW gay purge and General Eisenhower and the Lesbian battalion. (tape)

1990 Jan. 21 " 'We Are a Gentle Angry People,' But Are We Ready To Be a Welcoming Congregation?" **1991** Jan. 20 "Martin Luther King" - Intergenerational service with Julie Bonser. (tape)

1996-97 - Welcoming Congregation Lay Ministry (7 services planned by Mary Mullen and the Welcoming Congregation subcommittee of the Denominational Affairs Committee plus 2 followup services in 1998 and 2000)

- 1996** Oct. 20 “Twenty Questions About Sexuality.” Introduction & Expectations were covered in an Upham Woods Retreat Workshop based on Workshop 1 of the curriculum. (tape)
- 1996** Oct. 27 “Gender Socialization and Homophobia” (tape)
- 1996** Dec. 15 “ Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Perspectives” (tape)
- 1997** Jan. 19 “Biblical Perspectives on Homosexuality”
- 1997** Mar. 9* “What About the Kids? Challenges of Gay & Lesbian Families.” Presentation by Sunshine Jones
- 1997** Mar. 16 “How Homophobia Hurts Heterosexuals.” (tape)
- 1997** April 20 “This Little Light of Mine: Individual and Community Strategies Regarding Homophobia.” (tape)
- 1998** Dec. 13 “Transformations” with Deb Phelps and other members of the Welcoming Congregation subcommittee. Special appearance of 2 Prairie high school students. Followup service to 1996-97 Welcoming Congregation lay ministry.
- 2000** Oct. 1 “Transformed?” Followup to the 1996-97 Welcoming Congregation lay ministry. Discussion led by Mary Mullen & Nancy Graham, plus a video of UUA President John Buehrens addressing the Millenium March on Washington 4/30/2000
- 2001** April 15 “Easter Intergenerational” with Bev Cann & Karen Lucas
- 2002** July 14 “Summer Reading: Book Reviews by Prairie Folks. Led by Mary Mullen.
- 2002** Sept. 29 “Excited about the UUA” with other GA attendees
- 2003** *Jan. 12 “Place of Music in Peace Building and Activism” with Rosalind Woodward and Dan Proud.*
- 2003** June 8 “Summer Reading: Book Reviews” Led by Mary Mullen.
- 2003** July 13 “Report from GA” with other attendees
- 2005** *Jan. 2 “Singing Out Our UU History” with Patty Stockdale.*
- 2005** July 24 “Inspired by GA” with Sarah Lord and Patty Stockdale.
- 2005** Oct. 9 “Gaylord Nelson, Not a Unitarian, But...” (script)
- 2005** Nov. 27 “Thanksgiving Intergenerational with Galen Smith & Bob Radford.
- 2006** April 23 “Earth Day Intergenerational” with Larry Nahlik.
- 2006** July 30 “Beyond Words or More Than Words Can Tell.” Analyzing photos.
- 2006** Aug. 20 “Making Memorials Meaningful” with Sonya Sidky and Erin Bosch. (script)
- 2006** Nov. 26 “The Road Not Taken” with 4 other panelists.
- 2007** Jan. 21* “After the Amendment - What Next?” Presenter was Josh Frecker of Fair Wisconsin.
- 2007** Feb. 11 “Valentine’s Day Intergenerational Service.” Planned & carried out with others
- 2007** April 8 “A Line of Poetry Strays Into Memory.” Planned with Anne Lundin. (links to poems)
- 2007** *July 29 “Celebrating Malvina Reynolds”*
- 2007** Oct. 7 “There is Something in the Autumn.” Fall poetry, planned with Anne Lundin.
- 2007** Nov. 25 “Thanksgiving Intergenerational” with Karleen Tyksinski.
- 2008** Feb. 24 “This I Believe.” Mary was 1 of 3 presenters (Anne Lundin was the lay minister organizing the This I Believe series.)
- 2008** Nov. 16* “Facing Death.” Planned by Mary Mullen. Presentation by Jean Feraca.
- 2009** May 31 “The Zen of Gardening and Gardens.” Planned by Mary; several panelists.
- 2009** Aug. 2 “Thinking About Ethical Eating: Food and Environmental Justice.” Planned with Heidi Hughes.
- 2010** July 4 - “Reclaiming the Flag: What We Love About Our Country.” (script)
- 2011** April 24 “A Freedom Seder: Celebration of the Exodus and Freedom Movements Throughout the World” with Ruth Calden.
- 2012** *Jan. 1 “Jazz Funeral for the Old Year.” Several other musicians participated.*
- 2012** May 13 “Caroline Norton: Mothers’ and Women’s Rights.” (mp3)
- 2013** May 12 “Remembering Our Mothers.” Planned by Mary. Memoirs read by 11 Prairie people including Mary.
- 2013** *June 21 “Make Music Madison.”* Mary organized the all-music Prairie program that was held outside from 9:45-11:00 am with 8 different Prairie individuals/groups participating, plus she organized the music for the rest of the

day through to 7:15 pm. She also organized Make Music Madison on June 21 weekdays *in 2013, 2014, 2016, and 2017, at Prairie.*

2014 Feb. 23 “GA Hoopla” with 5 other attendees. (mp3)

2014 July 6 “*Patriotic Songs*”

2015 Sept. 20 “Visiting Days, A Sharing Service.”

2016 Mar.13...”Gardening: Body, Mind, and Soul” with Kathy Converse. (mp3)

2017 Mar. 19*“As the Pendulum Swings” a musical service by Helen Avakian and Dave Irwin. Mary suggested this service and shepherded it through the process to completion. It took 40 emails and several phone calls! (mp3)