

# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

Sunday, December 17, 2006

Prelude- *Russian Troika*  
played by Doleta Chapru, Metje Butler,  
Dorothy Krause and Karleen Tyksinski

Welcome - Mike Briggs, President of Prairie

Chalice Lighting – *Winter Seen*,  
poem by Metje Butler

Moment of Silent Meditation

\*Hymn #46 – *Now the Day is Over*  
Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Introduction to Snowflake Exercise -  
Dorothy Krause

Story - Excerpt from *Cider With Rosie*  
by Laurie Lee, who grew up in the Cotswolds,  
read by Rose Smith

Joys and Concerns

Choir - *Silent Night*

Choir sings 1<sup>st</sup> verse, then congregation joins in with  
the following:

Verse 2 - Silent Night, Holy Night  
Shepherds quake at the sight.  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing “Alleluia”  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born.

*Piano Interlude*

Verse 3 – Silent Night, Holy Night  
Son of God, love's pure light,  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.

Presentation - "Prairie's Winter Wonderland" Dorothy Krause

Discussion

\*Hymn #57 - *All Beautiful the March of Days*  
Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Offertory – Karleen Tyksinski

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements (*also see insert announcements*)

Closing Words – Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

\*Stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Many thanks to our presider, accompanists, presenters, and program coordinator, MaryMullen. Please join us for coffee after the service.

## Announcements

**Humanist Union** will host a HumanLight Celebration at Prairie this afternoon from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

**New Directories** are available from Dan and Robin Proud and a few corrections have already been printed in Prairie Fire. Please let us know of any other changes needed.

**Choir** will not practice on December 24 or 31.

**Book Club** will meet today to discuss *Gaviotas: A Village to Reinvent the World*. All are welcome. Book selections for the next seven months are listed in the current Prairie Fire

**Prairie Elders** next meeting will be January 23.

**Spanish Speakers** will meet for conversation and potluck at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24 at the current home of Dave and Marcia Johnson, 3855 E. Oakbridge Way, #2A, Madison.

**Guest at Your Table** continues through December. GAYT is our UU tradition for educating ourselves about human needs and human rights, and sharing our blessings. Donations support the programs of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. Please return boxes or checks to Prairie in January.

**Prairie's next turn** to help host homeless families through the **Interfaith Hospitality Network** will be Jan 14-21. Prairie is one of the buddy churches helping Midvale Lutheran provide shelter, meals and support to those families. See Paula Pachciarz to help.

**On December 31**, there will be no morning service at Prairie. Instead, join your friends and family at Prairie at 6:00 p.m. for a potluck dinner followed by community singing, led by Rev. Ralph and Karleen Tyksinski.

## **Calendar**

### **Sunday, December 17**

12:30 p.m. Humanist Union sponsors HumanLight celebration

### **Wednesday, December 20**

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

7:30 p.m. Left Hand of God Covenant Group meets

### **Sunday, December 24**

10:00 a.m. Symbol Tree Service led by Erin Bosch

### **Wednesday, December 27**

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

### **Tuesday, December 28**

5:00 a.m. Prairie serves breakfast at Men's Homeless Shelter.

### **Sunday, Decenmber 31**

No morning service and no R.E.

6:00 p.m. Potluck

7:00 p.m. New Year's Eve service led by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

### **Wednesday, January 3**

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

### **Sunday, January 7**

10:00 a.m. "Propaganda Overview" presented by Andy Somers

### **Monday, January 8**

7:00 p.m. EnAct class

### **Saturday, February 24**

Fundraising Trip to Art Institute to see "Cezanne to Picasso".