

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

<http://uuprairie.org>

Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, March 29 2009

Prelude - "Sunshine in My Soul," by Hewitt, Sweney, and Coates
Prairie Choir, directed by Dan Proud

Welcome - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Opening Words

We come into this place of hope,
where our hearts and minds are opened to the future.

We come into this place of justice-seeking,
where we set aside our fear to name oppressions of many sorts.

We come into this place of love,
where we know that no lives are insignificant.

We come into this place of song,
where we unite our voices
in the sad as well as the beautiful melodies of lives.

Hymn #128 (SLT) - "For All That is Our Life"

Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Chalice Lighting

May the Light of Truth illumine our minds,
May the Spark of Love set our hearts on fire,
May the Flame of Freedom burn brightly within us.

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

Presentation

"Respect and Reverence for the Interdependent Web"
presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Discussion

Offering

Offertory- "Interlude" by William L. Gillock
performed by Doleta Chapru

Welcoming of Guests and Visitors

Welcoming of New Members - Paula Pachciarz

Prairie Announcements

(additional announcements are in your order of service.)

Hymn #163(SLT) - "For the Earth Forever Turning"
Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Closing Words

Let us now be reminded that we are a part of and a partner with the Universe,
let us go forth from the quiet of this hour encouraged to strive toward
faithfulness to the best in ourselves, in others, and in all the spheres that
make up the interdependent web of our lives.

*Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Many thanks to all
who contributed to making this service possible. Please join us after
the service for coffee and fellowship.*

Announcements

Pledge forms due Today, March 29th

The pledge forms you were either given or had mailed to you this past week are due back to Barbara Park (Finance Chair) by Sunday, March 29th. Please mail your forms to her as soon as possible and save the finance committee the task of calling you on the phone. You can also email your pledge to her at barpark@gmail.com and send the paperwork in later. Thank you for your support!

Tip of the Week from the Green Committee :

Green Idea # 10: The reason that paint smells so bad is that it contains VOCs - volatile organic compounds. But there are paints available now with low VOC - look for the number on the can: a low VOC paint is rated 50 or less. Go to bhg.com/livinggreen for a list of low VOC paints.

Central Midwest District Assembly is coming up!

District Assembly will be held in Waukesha, Wisconsin, on April 24-26, 2009. Most of us cannot attend General Assembly, but this "mini" assembly provides a smaller but still delicious taste of the G.A. experience: social events, workshops, speakers, and an opportunity to meet people from the entire midwest district and learn what they are doing in the various congregations. The theme of this years assembly is "Leadership in Times of Profound Change." Fliers for CMWD are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the meeting room. It is possible to attend one event at DA for just \$25, so take a look at the workshops and see if there's something you might like to go to.

RE News

The Easter service on April 12th will be an all ages service, so all RE students will be upstairs. (There will be nursery care available for babies and toddlers.) The Spring Fling overnight event is coming up on April 18th and flyers are available now. Spring Fling will conclude on Sunday the 19th with a service project.

Prairie Book Club

The Prairie Book Club will be reading Michael Pollan's An Omnivore's Dilemma in April and discussing it after service on the 19th. This is an excellent book for those of you interested in the UUA's "Congregational Study Issue" on Ethical Eating.

Men's Homeless Shelter Breakfast April 4th

Prairie UU and James Reeb UU will serve breakfast at the Men's Shelter at Grace Episcopal Church. We need 2-3 people to arrive at 4:30 AM, prepare juice and eggs, and help serve. This is our tenth month to share this responsibility with James Reeb UU. This month Prairie UU will make the collection and buy the food. We hope to have breakfast crew members from PUU and James Reeb join together each month as a way to meet other Madison UU's. Please let Kathy Converse know as soon as possible if you can serve breakfast.

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, March 29, 2009

11:45 am - Denominational Affairs Committee meets.
11:45 am - 5th Sunday Auction Item.

Wednesday, April 1, 2009 - Prairie Fire Bulletin deadline - calendar and program items only.

6:30 pm - Green Committee meets at Prairie.

Saturday, April 4, 2009

Men's shelter breakfast. Please contact Kathy Converse to volunteer.
9:00 am - WOW meets at the home of Kris Long for breakfast potluck.

Sunday, April 5, 2009

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am - service - "First Amendment - Right or Slogan?" presented by Andy Somers.
12:00 noon - Ethical Humanism study group meets.

Tuesday, April 7, 2009

7:00 pm - Software Seminar presented by Al Nettleton. (You can still get in on this auction item!
Please contact Al Nettleton for details.)

Saturday, April 11, 2009

8 am - 8 pm -- Art Institute trip.
9:00 am to noon - Prairie Orientation.
2:00 pm - Memorial service for long time Prairie Member, Dick Bonser.

Sunday, April 12, 2009

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am - all-ages service - "Easter Customs and Traditions: Old and New" presented by Rev. Selena Fox.
11:45 am - Hospitality committee meets.

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 - Prairie Fire article deadline.

7:00 pm - Program committee meets.

Saturday, April 18, 2009

5:00 pm - Spring Fling overnight event begins.

Save the Date!

April 24-26, 2009, Central Midwest District Assembly in Waukesha; May 3 - Parish Meeting.