

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

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Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, September 6, 2009

Prelude - "Variations," by N. Lubarsky
performed by Doleta Chapru

Welcome - Anne Lundin

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 to celebrate the rhythms and the many
melodies that make up our 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 Justice set our hearts on fire,
May the Flame of Freedom burn brightly within us.

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

Presentation

Our Challenge: Building Decent Jobs and a Just Society

Prof. Frank Emspak, Executive Producer of WIN (Worker's Independent News)

Offering

Offertory – "Meditacao," by Antonio Jobim
Andy Somers, trumpet, and Marcia Johnson, piano

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

Hymn # 134 (SLT) - "Our World Is One World"

Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Closing Words

Let us be reminded that we are a part of and a partner with the workers of our society, the workers whose labor we are grateful for, and whom we honor and celebrate on this Labor Day. Let us go forth from the quiet of this hour encouraged to strive toward a renewed commitment to work for more decent jobs and a more just society. Let us lift up and support 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

Green Tip of the Week: Purchase and use your own re-useable shopping bags. Why? Here are a few reasons: 14 plastic bags contain petroleum to drive a car one mile. 380 million plastic bags are thrown away in the USA every year, and cities must spend up to 17 cents per bag for their disposal. Making a paper bag emits 70% more greenhouse gases than making a plastic bag, and they do not biodegrade in landfills due to lack of oxygen. Looking for some nice shopping bags? Both Orange Tree Imports on Monroe Street and Fair Indigo at Hilldale carry EnviroSax, which roll up and snap closed, fitting easily in a purse or backpack.

Spanish Speaker's Potluck The next Spanish Speaker's potluck will be Tuesday, September 15th at 6:30 pm at the home of Mary, Andy, and Jake Somers, 4467 Crescent Road in Fitchburg. Please call the Somers at 276-8397 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information.

Basement Progress Thanks are due to the many volunteers who came to move furniture and more last Monday night in preparation for the second phase of the flooring work in the basement: Al Nettleton, Rebecca Malke, Phoenix Wardell, Patty Stockdale, Mary Mullen, Nathan Franklin, Robin and Dan Proud, Gary and Chris Peterson, Rick Ruecking, Dorothy Krause, and Wayne Hammerstrom. Thanks are also due to the volunteers who came in yesterday to get everything set up for today. Thank you for your time (and strength!), repeatedly, over the last few weeks. We couldn't have done it without you. Be sure to take a look downstairs at the lovely new floor! The next project will be the windows, which should be much less disruptive. They have been ordered, and will be installed sometime later in the fall.

Parking Reminders Prairie members are asked to remember to be good neighbors when choosing where to park on Sunday morning. We ask that the spaces in front of the building (on Crawford) be reserved for those less able. In addition, city ordinances require 4 feet of clearance between the end of your vehicle and the edge of a driveway, so please make sure that you are not impeding anyone's access to their driveway.

Date Change for Spanish Class Due to some scheduling conflicts, Marcia Johnson is delaying the start of her Spanish Conversation until October. She now anticipates beginning the class October 4 and running on consecutive weeks until mid-November. Please contact Marcia if you have any questions, 441-0271.

Prairie Family Retreat is coming up soon! The Prairie Family Retreat at Pine Lake Camp is coming up on the weekend of October 23-25. Registration forms will be available soon, but in the meanwhile, if you have any questions about the retreat, you can talk to Robin Proud (661-0776), Kate Liu (271-8218) or Phyllis Long (608-325-7397.)

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, September 6, 2009

11:30 am - Parent -Teacher coffee hour for preschool RE class.

11:45 am - Humanist Union meets for a picnic at Marlborough Park. Rain location: Prairie UU.

Saturday, September 12, 2009

6:00 pm - Humanist Union reception and meeting with Sean Faircloth.

Sunday, September 13, 2009

9:00 am - First choir rehearsal of the new season.

10:00 am – service - "Honoring Our Elders: Celebrating Grandparent's Day," presented by Erin Bosch and Rebecca Malke.

11:45 am - Prairie Board meeting & potluck.

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Mary and Andy Somers.

Thursday, September 17, 2009

7:00 pm - Movie group meets to view "When the Levees Broke."

Sunday, September 20, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal

10:00 am - service - "How Gen X Ministers are Changing Unitarian Universalism," presented by Erik David Carlson.

11:30 am - All Society Potluck.

11:45 am - Book club meets to discuss 1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus, by Charles Mann.

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood.

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

7:00 pm - Program Committee meets at Prairie.

Sunday, September 27, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal

10:00 am - service - "Yom Kippur: Ritual, Repentance, Relationship," presented by Dawn Berney.

Sunday, October 4, 2009

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am - service - "Association Sunday," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.