

# **PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY**

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711

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Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

**Sunday, October 18, 2009**

**Prelude** – “Sonatine,” Bela Bartok, performed by Aileen Nettleton

**Welcome** - Robyn Perrin, Long Range Planning Committee Chair

## **Opening Words**

Come into this place of peace  
and let its silence heal your spirit;

Come into this place of memory  
and let its history warm your soul:

Come into this place of prophecy and power  
and let its vision change your heart.

William Schulz, President of the UUA (1995-83), Executive Director of Amnesty International USA (1994-2006)

**Hymn # 107, Prairie Song Book** – “The Spirit of This Church”

Doleta Chapru, piano, and Mary Mullen, guitar, accompanists

## **Chalice Lighting**

Each morning we must hold out the chalice of our being  
to receive, to carry and to give back.

Dag Hammarskjöld, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1961

## **Silent Meditation**

## **Joys and Concerns**

**Reading** - The Prairie Bond of Union  
located inside the front cover of the Prairie Song Book

**Introduction of Ian Evison** - Robyn Perrin

## **Presentation**

**"Exploring Visions of Ministry and Ministerial Relationships at Prairie,"**  
presented by Ian Evison, Congregational Service Director of the CMwD - UUA

## **Offering**

**Offertory** – “Variation on Tallis Canon,” by Laura Wasson,  
performed by Aileen Nettleton

## **Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

## **Prairie Announcements**

Additional announcements are in your order of service.

## **Hymn # 131(SLT) – “Love Will Guide Us”**

Doleta Chapru, piano, and Mary Mullen, guitar, accompanists

## **Closing Words**

Go your ways, knowing not the answers to all things, yet seeking always the answer  
to one more thing than you know.

John W. Brigham



Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Thanks to members of the Long Range Planning Committee and all others who contributed to making this service possible. Members of the congregation are invited to join members of the Long Range Planning Committee in an after-service question and answer period with Mr. Evison.

## **Announcements**

**Green Tip of the Week:** More green cleaning tips: to remove mold, combine 1/2 cup hydrogen peroxide or white vinegar with 1 cup water. Spray on the mold and do not rinse. Alternatively, make a mixture that is 2 teaspoons tea tree oil and 2 cups water, again spraying on without rinsing off.

**Book Club** The Prairie Book Club is currently reading What Was She Thinking: Notes on a Scandal by Zoe Heller. The book club will meet Saturday, October 24th, at the Prairie retreat.

**Prairie Retreat coming soon!** The annual Prairie retreat is coming up, Friday, October 23 through Sunday, October 25, at Pine Lake Camp in Westfield. Thanks to everyone who has sent in their registration forms. Available this weekend on the table in the foyer is the most up-to-date program schedule and some more information about the camp itself. If you have any questions, please talk to Robin Proud (661-0776,) Phyllis Long (608-325-7397), or Kate Liu (271-8218.) Please also note that there will be no service at Prairie on the weekend of the retreat.

**2nd Annual Silent Auction October 24th** At the retreat this year, we will hold our second annual Silent Auction. Please remember to bring an item that other members are likely to find of value to add to the silent auction. Small, easily transportable items generally work best, but if you have larger items that you think would be a good addition, feel free to take a photo or two of them to display at the auction. Any questions, please contact Dorothy Krause.

**Spanish Speaker's Potluck** The next Spanish speaker's potluck will be held Monday, October 26, at 6:30 pm, at the home of Kate Tucker. Please call Kate at 221-2168 for directions or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for information.

**Humanist Union News** At 1 pm on October 24th, at the Pine Lake retreat, the Humanist Union is sponsoring a discussion on issues that the Secular Coalition for American is currently engaged with in its lobbying in Washington D.C., led by the organization's treasurer, Ron Solomon. All are invited. On November 1st, the Humanist Union's monthly meeting will start with a potluck lunch at 11:45 am, followed by discussion 12:30 - 1:30 pm on issues raised by the insertion of religion into the health care debate in Washington, led by Julie Merrill-Quinn.

**Social Action News** The Prairie Social Action Committee, with Andy Somers directing, will present "Seven Jewish Children - a Play for Gaza," at the Socialist Potluck on November 14th at the Wil-Mar neighborhood center. Potluck begins at 5:30, announcements at 6:30, with the play and discussion to follow. No admission will be charged, but a collection will be taken for Medical Aid for Palestinians.

**Long Range Planning Committee News** The committee will host a discussion about ministry at the retreat next weekend to share reminiscences of ministers or other religious leaders who have played a positive role in your life, titled "A Minister, a Rabbi, and a Priest walked into a Bar...". Then, after the service on Sunday, Nov. 22, Glenda Cosenza of the Dekalb, Illinois Unitarian Universalist Church will be visiting for a Q&A session about the differences between roles of settled and contract ministers, and the process her congregation undertook when shifting from a contract to settled minister. Please see the related article in the next issue of the Prairie Fire for more details.

## **Prairie Calendar**

### **Sunday, October 18, 2009**

11:30 am - Spanish Conversation class.

11:45 am - Long Range Planning Committee potluck and discussion with Ian Evison.

### **Wednesday, October 21, 2009**

6:00 pm - Long Range Planning Committee meets.

### **Thursday, October 22, 2009**

7:00 pm - H&P Committee meeting.

### **Friday, October 23 - Sunday, October 25, 2009**

Prairie Retreat: Book Club, Women's Group, Spanish Conversation, Key Log Ceremony, silent auction, and more.

### **Sunday, October 25, 2009**

No service at Prairie Meeting house.

### **Monday, October 26, 2009**

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Kate Tucker.

### **Tuesday, October 27, 2009**

2:00 pm – Prairie Elders meet to discuss a "Report Card for President Obama."

### **Wednesday, October 28, 2009**

7:00 pm – Program Committee meets.

### **Sunday, November 1, 2009**

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE Committee meets.

10:00 am – service - "Transitions: The Rhythms of Our Lives," presented by the Helen Bond and Medusa Drums.

11:30 am - Spanish Conversation class.

11:45 am - Humanist Union potluck, presentation tba at 12:30.

12:30 pm - Percussion Workshop, in the couch room with Helen Bond.

2 - 5pm - Drum Circle Jam with Helen Bond upstairs at Prairie.

### **Mark your calendars!**

### **Sunday, November 15, 2009**

11:30 am- Fall Parish Meeting: potluck begins at 11:30, meeting begins at 11:45.