PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711 http://uuprairie.org

Sunday, July 4, 2010

Prelude performed by Madeline Arnold

Welcome - Christina Klock

Opening Words

"next to of course god america i
love you land of the pilgrims' and so forth oh
say can you see by the dawn's early my
country tis of centuries come and go
and are no more what of it we should worry
in every language even deafanddumb
thy sons acclaim your glorious name by gorry
by jingo by gee by gosh by gum
why talk of beauty what could be more beautiful than these heroic happy dead
who rushed like lions to the roaring slaughter
they did not stop to think they died instead
then shall the voice of liberty be mute?"

He spoke. And drank rapidly a glass of water

by e. e. cummings

*Hymn # 159 (SLT) "This Is My Song" Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Chalice Lighting

Blessed is the fire that burns deep in the soul. It is the flame of the human spirit touched into being by the mystery of life. It is the fire of reason; the fire of compassion; the fire of community; the fire of justice; the fire of faith. It is the fire of love burning deep in the human heart; the divine glow in every life.

by Eric A. Heller-Wagner

Silent Meditation

Joys and Concerns

*Hymn "My Country 'Tis of Thee" Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Presentation: "Reclaiming the Flag: What We Love About Our Country" presented by Mary Mullen

Discussion

Offering

Offertory - performed by Madeline Arnold

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

*Hymn "America the Beautiful" Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

Closing Words

Our country is not the only thing to which we owe our allegiance. It is also owed to justice and to humanity. Patriotism consists not in waving the flag, but in striving that our country shall be righteous as well as strong.

-James Bryce

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*Hymn # 51 (Prairie Song Book) or p. *Rise Up Singing - "This Land Is My Land"

Carl Wacker and Mary Mullen, guitar

*Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Thanks to everyone who made this service possible. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Announcements

Green Tip of the Week: Try to use energy intensive devices at off-peak hours. In Wisconsin, peak energy demand is from 2 - 6 pm.

Finance Committee News Welcome to the new fiscal year, which began on July 1st. The finance committee is still wrapping up the loose ends from the last fiscal year - and you can help by catching up on old pledges and submitting any expenses you need to be reimbursed for as quickly as possible. Also, if you were reimbursed for a Prairie expense please cash the check as soon as possible, as Prairie is in the process of changing banks. If you have any financial / bookkeeping questions, you can talk to our finance chair, Kathy Converse, our treasurer, Amy Armstrong, or our administrator, Kate Liu.

Annual Joint Service at Sauk City UU July 25th We are once again invited to attend a joint service of all four area UU congregations to be held at the Sauk City UU congregation, to be followed by a picnic on their grounds. The theme of the service this year is shaping up to be "Exploring a UU Meaning for Faith." As UUs, we explore and question religious topics together, as a means to help each of us find our own answers, if any. Stay tuned for more details. Please note that there will be no service at Prairie that day.

Prairie Fall Family Retreat Sept. 17 - 19, 2010 The Prairie Fall Family retreat is scheduled for September 17-19 at the Pine Lake Camp in Westfield, WI. There will be folk dancing, crafts, yoga, nature walks, and more - plus we will be making dinner together on Saturday night! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun weekend with your Prairie family.

Ethical Eating study group at FUS - For 2008-2012 the UUAs "Congregational Study/Action Issue" is Ethical Eating. FUS invites you to join members of their Environmental Action Committee and others at FUS this fall to delve into Ethical Eating as it relates to the environment. Kicking things off, at our August 5 meeting, we will discuss the book The Way We Eat: Why Our Food Choices Matter by Peter Singer and Jim Mason. Future meetings will be devoted to specific aspects of the topic such as: soil fertility, water and air quality, energy use, technology/GMO issues, and effects on other species. Meetings of the Environmental Action Committee are the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. starting Thursday August 5th. Join us for one or all of the discussions! Look at the First Unitarian Society Calendar and newsletter for notices of meetings (http://www.fusmadison.org/calendar/calendar.shtml). Meeting rooms are posted on the door of the

First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive. For more information - Liz Wessel, 238-9934.

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, July 4, 2010

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery.

Saturday, July 10, 2010

9:00 am - WOW (Prairie's women's group) meets for breakfast potluck.

Sunday, July 11, 2010

10:00 am- Service - "Menu for the Future" presented by Prairie study group.

11:45 am - Humanist Union Potluck, with discussion at 12:30pm.

Monday, July 12, 2010

7:00 pm - Prairie Board meeting. Board members please bring calendars!

Sunday, July 18, 2010

10:00 am- Service - Singing Our Peace," presented by Jennifer Friedman.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss Roads to Quoz: An American Mosey by William Least Heat-Moon.

Monday, July 19, 2010

6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck, at the home of Bill Schaffer, 1029 Spaight St. apt B6.

Sunday, July 25, 2010

10:00 am- Annual joint service at Sauk City UU. No service at Prairie.

Monday, July 26, 2010

7:00 pm - Program Committee meeting.

Tuesday, July 27, 2010

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is "Implications of the Texas Textbook Decisions."

Sunday, August 1, 2010

10:00 am service - "Summer Reads," presented by Rose Smith.

11:45 am - Humanist Union potluck and program.

Looking Ahead:

Friday, September 10, 2010 - 60th Anniversary Party for Rose and Galen Smith.

Friday, September 17 - Sunday, September 19 - Prairie Family Retreat at Pine Lake Camp, Westfield.