

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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**“The Global Politics of Water: Managing Our Most Precious Resource in the 21st Century,”
presented by Oriol Miroso.**

March 25, 2012



Today's Order of Service

Prelude – Performed by Mary Mullen.

Greeting and Announcements – Mary Mullen

Opening Words:

Pure water is the world's first and foremost medicine.
– Slovakian Proverb

***Hymn #314 (SLT):** “We Are Children of the Earth,”
accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Chalice Lighting:

Water is the basis of life and the blue arteries of the earth. Everything in the non-marine environment depends on fresh water to survive.
– Sandra Postel

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages – “All the Water in the World,” by George Ella Lyons. Read by Lynn Pawelski.

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Presentation: “The Global Politics of Water: Managing Our Most Precious Resource in the 21st Century,”
presented by Oriol Miroso.

Discussion

Offering & Offertory

***Hymn #123 (SLT):** “Spirit of Life,” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Closing Words:

Thousands have lived without love, not one without water.
– W.H. Auden

Greet Your Neighbor

*please stand as you are able.
**please wait for the microphone before speaking; this allows those using the assistive listening devices to hear.

Announcements

Green Note: All the water that goes down the drain, clean or dirty, ends up mixing with raw sewage, getting contaminated, and meeting the same fate. Try to stay aware of this precious resource disappearing and turn off the water while brushing your teeth or shaving and always wash laundry and dishes with full loads. When washing dishes by hand, fill up the sink and turn off the water. Take a quick look at your next water bill when it arrives. It probably won't be costing you too much, but the average household consumes multiple thousands of gallons each month. See if you can make this number go down.

UUSC Justice Sunday 2012: Justice Is the Human Right to Water : Today we will stand up with UU congregations nationwide to celebrate the culmination of our efforts for the human right to water. Prairie's Justice Sunday service is helping spotlight issues affecting safe, affordable, accessible water for daily human needs. Working with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, we can help make the human right to water a reality. This special service reminds us that Justice Sunday calls us to reflect, understand, and act — today and every day.

Today is Soup Sunday! Stay after the service for a good lunch and excellent conversation.

The Prairie Elders will meet on Tuesday, March 27 from 1:30pm to 3:20pm in the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West. This month's discussion will be “Issues of Death and Dying.” Call Donna Murdoch 238-3802, Gordon Cunningham 230-3367, Rosemary Dorney 238-4382, or Rose Smith 233-3363 for directions, parking, or a ride.

Spring Cleanup Day: Prairie's H&P committee will have a Spring cleanup on Saturday, April 14, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Let Dirk Herr-Hoyman know if there is some specific activity you feel should be done.

Prairie UU Society Bond of Union

We, the members of Prairie, wish to associate ourselves together in a religious community which affirms that we share a common humanity, that we need one another, and that our futures are inescapably bound together. Together we would expand our intellectual horizons, enrich our sensory experiences, and deepen our emotional sensitivities. We would sharpen our ethical awareness and broaden our sense of social responsibility. We would stand tall in our quest for integrity of life, yet not at others' expense. As the prairie stretches out until it becomes one with the sky, let us reach out to touch and be one with the natural world, and with one another.

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Prairie Calendar

Sunday, March 25, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service - "The Global Politics of Water: Managing Our Most Precious Resource in the 21st Century," presented by Oriol Miroso.
11:15 Soup Sunday
11:30 Prairie Book Club meets to discuss *The Ghost Map - The Story of London's Most Terrifying Epidemic and How It Changed Science, Cities, and the Modern World* by Steven Johnson.

Monday, March 26, 2012

7:00 Program Committee meets

Tuesday, March 27, 2012

1:30 Prairie Elders meet

Sunday, April 1, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service – "Putting Your Faith in Action," presented by a panel of Prairie members.
11:45 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, April 8, 2012

8:45 No Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:00 Easter Egg Hunt
11:30 Easter Brunch

Saturday, April 14, 2012

9:00 H&P Cleanup Day

Sunday, April 15, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service

Monday, April 16, 2012

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, April 22, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:00 RE Service Sunday – Neighborhood Cleanup
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:45 Congregational bylaws meeting

Friday, April 27, 2012

Prairie's Spring Retreat begins

Sunday, April 29, 2012

Prairie's Spring Retreat ends. NO SERVICE OR RE at Prairie's Meeting House

Sunday, May 6, 2012

8:45 Choir Rehearsal
10:00 Service
11:30 Congregational bylaws meeting

Saturday, May 12, 2012

Spring Fling

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Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Next week's service:

"Putting Your Faith in Action," presented by a panel of Prairie members.

