

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison, WI 53711 * 608-271-8218 * www.uuprairie.org

**“Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is,”
presented by Nick Ats.**

May 6, 2012



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Gil Pawelski.

Greeting and Announcements –

Opening Words

If people want to change, they will. If they don't want to, it's hard to make them do so. The current interest in the environment is a good thing. The best way to make a contribution in fashion is to promote the idea that a fundamental interest in preserving the environment is itself fashionable.

– Giorgio Armani

***Hymn #59 (SLT):** “Almond Trees, Renewed in Blossom,” accompanied by Rosemarie Lester.

Chalice Lighting

We're not protecting nature for nature's sake. We're protecting it because it enriches us, yes, it enriches our economy and we ignore that at our peril. But it is also enriching us aesthetically, recreationally, culturally, historically and spiritually. Human beings have other appetites besides money. And if we don't feed them, we're not going to grow up.

– Robert F. Kennedy

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages

Singing the Children Out

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Presentation: “Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is,” presented by Nick Abts.

Offering & Offertory: Performed by Lynn Pawelski.

***Hymn #61 (SLT):** “Lo, the Earth Awakes Again,” accompanied by Rosemarie Lester.

Closing Words:

It is extremely important that each one of us is a participant in life and what's going on around us rather than being a spectator to it and if you do that, if you participate in the world, in your community, your school, your company, or your country...then you will be useful and hopefully leave the planet a little better.

– Janet Holmes a Court

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: It all adds up. If we each drove our cars 20 fewer miles per week, we would reduce their CO2 emissions by 107 million tons each year, a 9% decrease. If we improved our cars' gas mileage by 5 mpg, we would cut their CO2 emissions by 239 million tons each year, a 20% decrease. (Source: Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, 2008.)

Next Sunday at Prairie the 4th-6th grade RE class is planning on celebrating Mother's Day by selling Fair Trade crafts and chocolate after the service to benefit the mothers of El Salvador and Vietnam. Please stop by our table in the back of the meeting room to buy from our eager sellers!

Parish Meeting June 3 Prairie's Spring Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 3, after the service and Soup Sunday. Agenda items include thanking last year's volunteers, voting for Officers and At-Large board members, discussing bylaws, and other items.

Congregational bylaws meeting today! Stay after the service today to discuss further changes to the bylaws. Today's discussion will focus on those items brought up at the Special Parish Meeting on February 19. The outcome of today's discussion will be brought up at the Spring Parish Meeting on June 3.

The Supporting Aging Parents Support Group, originally scheduled for May 20, has been postponed. A date for the meeting has not yet been set.

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, May 21 at the home of Audrey Shomos, 134 Grove St., Evanston. Bring a dish to pass if you can. All are welcome! Please call Audrey at 608-882-4070 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 608-238-4382 for more information or if you need to arrange a ride.

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, May 6, 2012

10:00 Service - "Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is," presented by Nick Abts.
11:45 Congregational Bylaws Meeting

Saturday, May 12, 2012

5:00 Spring Fling

Sunday, May 13, 2012

10:00 Service - "Caroline Norton: Mothers & Women's Rights" presented by Mary Mullen.
10:15 RE Service Sunday
11:15 Soup Sunday
12:30 Humanist Union meets

Monday, May 14, 2012

7:00 RE Committee meets

Sunday, May 20, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Field Trip to Prairie Dock Farm

Monday, May 21, 2012

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck
7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, May 27, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service
10:00 Last day of RE classes

Sunday, June 3, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Transition Sunday
11:15 Soup Sunday
11:45 Spring Parish Meeting

Sunday, June 10, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

Monday, June 11, 2012

7:00 RE Committee meets

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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:

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