

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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

Day of the Dead

October 28, 2012



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: "Lilliburlero," performed by the Prairie Winds.

Children's Costume Parade

Greeting and Announcements – Dorothy Krause

***Hymn #34 (SLT):** "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire," accompanied by Marcia Johnson.

Chalice Lighting: #439 (SLT): We Gather in Reverence

We gather in reverence before the wonder of life –
The wonder of this moment.
The wonder of being together, so close yet so apart –
Each hidden in our own secret chamber,
Each listening, each trying to speak –
Yet none fully understanding, none fully understood.
We gather in reverence before all intangible things –
That eyes see not, nor ears can detect –
That hands can never touch, that space cannot hold, and time cannot measure.
– Sophia Lyon Fahs

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages

Singing the Children Out: "Farewell Good Friends"

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Day of the Dead Service: Reading of names of those who have come and gone.

Memories, Meditation, and Honoring of our Beloved Deceased

Offering and Offertory: "All in a Garden Green," performed by the Prairie Winds.

***Hymn #52 (SLT):** "In Sweet Fields of Autumn," accompanied by Marcia Johnson.

Closing Words

Spirit of Life, whom we know best in our own loving and being loved, hold us as we remember those we have loved, and those who have loved us. May our gratitude sparkle in our lives, may our tears lubricate our souls. Help us to know that we are not alone in our grieving, and help us also to come to that peaceful place in which we can take what we learned from those who have gone before us into our own lives. Remind us that we, too, are mortal; and that the only enduring legacy we leave is the love that shines through our lives.

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 Do you have a roof rack for carrying summer recreational equipment? Remove it until next year. Roof racks decrease your vehicle's aerodynamic efficiency and hurts fuel mileage -- particularly at highway speeds. While you're at it, check you car for any unnecessary summer items, such as coolers or picnic gear. No need to burn fuel by carrying unnecessary weight.

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, October 29, at the home of Prudence Barber, 1104 Mound Street in Madison. The meeting will be in the downstairs room. Emma will be preparing a paella as a special treat! For directions, please call Prudence at 251-0852. For more information or to arrange a ride, please call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382.

Halloween party at Prairie! Stop by Prairie Halloween Night for a "bite" to eat, cider, and Monster Mash on the dance floor! Festivities start at 5:00pm. Prairie's Friends, Members and neighbors are all welcome!

Would you be interested in a book club for discussing philosophical and spiritual books? A group for reading such things as the Koran, the Bible, the Guru Garanth Sahib, The Biology of Belief, Dr. Richard Davidson's work, Harold Kushner and more? If this sounds interesting to you, please contact Kate Liu (kgliu311@gmail.com or 238-9153) to talk about setting a time to meet and pick a book to start with.

Prairie's Fall Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 18. Agenda coming soon!

The Prairie Book Club will meet on Sunday, October 28, to discuss The Invention of Air by Steven Johnson. Biography of Joseph Priestly. Priestly was a contemporary of Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson. He helped found Unitarianism. From <http://boingboing.net/2008/12/17/steven-johnsons-the.html>: "Who was Priestley? He was a slapdash, overexcited scientist with an absolute knack for apparatus design, fantastic intuition, and boundless energy ... a firm believer in open sharing of knowledge, a voluminous publisher of results and cross-pollinator of ideas who refused to be confined to one discipline." Suggested by Al Nettleton.

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, October 28, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Day of the Dead
11:30 Prairie Book Club meets

Wednesday, October 31, 2012

5:00 Halloween Party at Prairie

Saturday, November 3, 2012

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie

Sunday, November 4, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – “A Journal from Despair to Hope,”
presented by Maggie Felker.
12:00 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, November 11, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service by Rev. Sandra Ingham

Saturday, November 17, 2012

9:00 New Members and Friends Orientation

Sunday, November 18, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Intergenerational Thanksgiving service
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:30 Fall Parish Meeting

Sunday, November 25, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

Saturday, December 1, 2012

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie

Sunday, December 2, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Chalica

Sunday, December 9, 2012

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

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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:

Service by Rev. Sandy Ingham

