

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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Burning Bowl Ritual for the New Year

January 6, 2013



Today's Order of Service

Prelude: "Greensleeves," English folk tune, performed by Marcia Johnson.

Greeting and Announcements – Dan Proud

Opening Words: by Sylvia L. Howe.

We bid you welcome on this first Sunday of the new year.
Like Janus we gather with part of us looking backward
and part of us looking forward.

We gather on the edge of the new year
saddened by our losses,
cherishing our joys,
aware of our failures,
mindful of days gone by.

We gather on the cusp of this new year
eager to begin anew,
hopeful for what lies ahead,
promising to make changes,
anticipating tomorrows and tomorrows.

We invite you to join our celebration of life,
knowing that life includes good and bad,
endings and beginnings.

We bid you welcome!

***Hymn #86 (SLT):** "Blessed Spirit of My Soul," accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Chalice Lighting: "Meditation for a New Year," by Amanda Poppei

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages

Singing the Children Out: "Farewell Good Friends"

****Joys and Concerns**

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Presentation: Burning Bowl Ritual for the New Year

Offering and Offertory: "Waltzing Matilda," Australian folk tune, performed by Marcia Johnson.

***Hymn #318 (SLT):** "We Would Be One," accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Closing Words: The Release by Victoria Weinstein

May what you have released here be forever gone from your spirit and cease to trouble you. May you be relieved and renewed, ever mindful that love is always more powerful than fear, and that compassion is the key to freedom from resentment.

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 For every degree you lower your thermostat, you'll save between 1% to 3% on your power bill. A light, long sleeved sweater is worth about 2 degrees, and a heavy sweater about 4 degrees.

The next 2006 Whenona house discussion will be held January 20 after the service. This discussion will focus on financing and possible uses for the house. If you have any questions, contact a member of the ad-hoc committee: Dirk Herr-Hoyman (chair), Anne Urbanski, Peter Anderson, Mary Mullen, Bob Park, and Barb Park as an ex-officio member.

The Prairie Men's Group will meet tonight at 5:30 at Prairie. Please bring your calendar and a dish to pass.

The next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, January 21, at the home of Ema Pachon, 1459 E. Main St., Madison. Please bring a dish to pass if you can – everyone is welcome! Please call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for directions, parking tips, or for more information. See you there, and Happy New Year!

Prairie's Board will meet on Monday, January 14, at 7:00 pm.

The next Soup Sunday will be January 13. Stay after the service for a soup lunch and conversation! A donation of \$5 is suggested, but, as always, guests and visitors are on us! This month's Soup Sunday will have a table designated as a Talk Back table to continue the discussion from Madeline Para's talk.

The Humanist Union today after the service for a potluck lunch at Noon, followed by a presentation led by Al Nettleton on searching for a Humanist meme in the ether.

Lost and Found! A pair of Simmons binoculars were left on the podium at Prairie. The binoculars are the type used for watching wildlife. Also found was a wooden recorder. Both are safe and sound in the office. If either are your, please give me a call at 271-8218 or email at admin@uuprairie.org.

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, January 6, 2013

10:00 Service – "Burning Bowl Ritual for the New Year"
12:00 Humanist Union meets
5:30 Prairie Men's Group meets at Prairie

Sunday, January 13, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – "God Speaks to Me in Bookstores, or How I Learned to Love the Carbon Tax," presented by Madeline Para from Citizen's Climate Lobby.
11:30 Soup Sunday

Monday, January 14, 2013

7:00 Prairie Board meeting

Sunday, January 20, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – "How Media Violence Affects Children," presented by Karyn Riddle.
11:30 2006 Whenona Dr. house discussion

Sunday, January 27, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – "Still Living in a Culture of Violence," presented by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

Sunday, February 3, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service

Sunday, February 10, 2013

8:45 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Service – Standing on the Side of Love

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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.

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