

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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## "Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Update"

by Maxine Niel

November 8, 2015

### Today's Order of Service

**Prelude:** "Nocturne Op. 35," by Reinhold Gliere.  
Performed by Amber Bruns, piano, and John Wunderlin, french horn.

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rev. Sandra Ingham

#### **Opening Words:**

We have previously suggested that philanthropy combines genuine pity with the display of power and that the later element explains why the powerful are more inclined to be generous than to grant social justice.

– Reinhold Niebuhr, Moral Man and Immoral Society, 1932

**\*Hymn #123 (SLT):** "Spirit of Life" Amber Bruns, accompanist.

#### **Global Chalice Lighting**

**Welcome New Members**

**Twrch House Food Drive**

**Story for All Ages:** Read by Maxine Niel.

**Singing the Children Out:** "Farewell Good Friends"

**\*\*Joys and Concerns**

**Silent Meditation**

**Presentation:** "Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Update," by Maxine Niel.

**Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** "Intermezzo Op. 35 No. 11," by Reinhold Gliere

**\*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**\*Hymn #134:** "Our World is One World"

**Closing Words:**

...the failure of people in the rich nations to make any significant sacrifices in order to assist people who are dying from poverty-related causes is ethically indefensible.

It is not simply the absence of charity, let alone of moral saintliness: It is wrong, and one cannot claim to be a morally decent person unless one is doing far more than the typical comfortably-off person does.

– Peter Singer, Achieving the Best Outcome: Final Rejoinder, Ethics and International Affairs, 2002

**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.

Today's tech assistant is Andy Garst.

### Announcements

**Green Tip:** Don't forget to change the filter in your furnace. A new air filter will help improve the air quality in your home and increase the efficiency of your furnace.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is Sunday November 8 to Sunday November 15** Please consider volunteering for various jobs to help Prairie honor its commitment to this wonderful organization. You can call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285) or you can go to this website to find info on the volunteer jobs and a link to the signup grid: <http://midvalelutheran.org/share/our-community/road-home>

**An Introduction to Prairie** will be held on Nov. 14 from 9 to noon in the Annex. Childcare provided. See Erin Bosch or Rev. Sandy for more information.

**The Fall Parish Meeting** will be held on November 22 after the service and Soup Sunday. One of the topics of discussion will be the budget. Please attend!

**The first session of BYOT (Building Your Own Theology)** will be held Saturday, November 21, from 10-Noon at Prairie (NOTE DATE CHANGE). More information in November "Prairie Fire" or talk to Rev. Sandy.

**Consider volunteering** for the Men's Shelter Breakfast on the Saturday after the first Friday each month. Volunteers help cook breakfast or purchase groceries. See Paula Pachciarz for more information and to sign up to volunteer.

#### **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

### **Monday, November 9, 2015**

6:00 Finance Committee Meets  
7:00 Program Committee Meets

### **Saturday, November 14, 2015**

9:00 Introduction to Prairie in the Annex  
2:00 Octogenarian Dinner in the Meeting House

### **Sunday, November 15, 2015**

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service

### **Monday, December 16, 2015**

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck

### **Saturday, November 21, 2015**

10:00 Build Your Own Theology

### **Sunday, November 22, 2015**

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 **Soup Sunday**  
11:30 **Parish Meeting**

### **Sunday, November 29, 2015**

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 Book Club meets

### **Saturday, December 5, 2015**

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast  
9:00 PrairieWOW meets

### **Sunday, December 6, 2015**

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:45 Humanist Union meets  
5:30 Men's Group meets

### **Sunday, December 13, 2015**

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:45 Board meets in the Annex

### **Monday, December 14, 2015**

6:00 Finance Committee Meets  
7:00 Program 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:**

“Transgender Day of Remembrance,” by  
Anne Urbanski.

