

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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## “Screen Saver” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

January 31, 2016

### Today's Order of Service

*“The overriding question, ‘What might we build tomorrow?’ blinds us to questions of our ongoing responsibilities for what we built yesterday.”*

– Paul Dourish & Scott D. Mainwaring

**Prelude:** “Simple Faith,” by David Temulevich. Performed by the Prairie Choir.

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

### **Opening Words**

**\*Hymn #361 (SLT):** “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In” Mary Frantz, accompanist

### **Chalice Lighting**

**Story for All Ages:** “Unplugged...Ella Gets Her Family Back,” by Laura Pederson

**Singing the Children Out:** “Farewell Good Friends”

**\*\*Joys and Concerns**

### **Silent Meditation**

**\*Hymn #55 (SLT):** “Dark of Winter”

**Reading:** From “The Glass Cage,” by Nicholas Carr

**Reflections:** “Screen Saver,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

### **Congregational Response**

**Offering and Offertory:** Performed by Mary Frantz

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

**\*Hymn #16:** “’Tis a Gift to Be Simple”

### **Closing Words**

### **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 Note:** The Little Library between the Meeting House and the Annex is a great place to share books with other Prairie folks and the neighborhood.

**Mark your calendars!** The Prairie Spring Retreat will be held May 6-8. More information to come!

**The Book Club** will meet on Sunday, February 21, to discuss Cold Sassy Tree by Olive Ann Burns. This is a Soup Sunday, so the Book Club will eat first, then retire to the Annex for the meeting.

**The Board Game Night** returns on Friday, February 5. The evening begins with an optional potluck at 6pm, but feel free to arrive late or leave early – the games will go on! No need to RSVP. Email John Richards with any questions.

**PrairieWOW (Women of Wonder)** will meet on Saturday, February 6, at 9:00am in the Annex. Please bring food or drink to share. This is a great way for Prairie women to get to know each other better. All women associated with Prairie are invited to attend.

**The Humanist Union** will meet on Sunday, February 7. The title of the presentation is Evolution and Feeling God’s Presence. A panel of readers will lead a discussion of the ideas presented in John C. Wathey’s new book, *The Illusion of God’s Presence: The Biological Origins of Spiritual Longing*. In Wathey’s view “evolution is the window by which we should understand religion.” He is a biologist who has studied the biology of the human nervous system. The meeting will start with the usual potluck lunch at 11:45 a.m. followed by the program from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.

### **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

### Friday, February 5, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

### Saturday, February 6, 2016

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

### Sunday, February 7, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

10:00 Mystery Friends week 1

11:45 Humanist Union meets

5:30 Men's group meets

### Monday, February 8, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets in the Annex

7:00 Program Committee meets in the Meeting Hall

### Saturday, February 13, 2016

10:00 Building Your Own Theology

### Sunday, February 14, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

10:00 Mystery Friends week 2

11:45 Prairie's Board meets

### Sunday, February 21, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

10:00 Mystery Friends week 3

11:30 Soup Sunday

12:15 Book Club meets in Annex

### Tuesday, February 23, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets

### Sunday, February 28, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 Mystery Friends week 4 and Party

### Friday, March 5, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

### Saturday, March 6, 2016

9:00 Prairie WOW meets in the Annex

### Friday, May 6, 2016

5:00 *Prairie Retreat begins*

### Sunday, May 8, 2016

12:00 *Prairie Retreat ends*

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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:

“Rozaria Girls Club,” by Lucy Chikowero

