

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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## “Embracing Chaos: What Is Going on in the World and How We Can Welcome It” by Rev. Jody Whelden

April 10, 2016



### Today's Order of Service

**Prelude:** Performed by Amber Bruns.

**Welcome and Announcements:** Christina Klock

**Opening Words:** “Beauty Is Before Me,” Navajo Indians

Beauty is before me, and  
Beauty is behind me,  
above me and below me  
hovers the beautiful.  
I am surrounded by it,  
I am immersed in it.  
In my youth, I am aware of it,  
and, in old age,  
I shall walk quietly the beautiful trail.  
In beauty it is begun.  
In beauty it is ended.

**\*Hymn #148 (SLT):** “Let Freedom Span Both East and West” Amber Bruns, accompanist.

**Global Chalice Lighting:** By Andreas Bolhar-Nordenkampf, Unitarisch-Universalistisches Forum Austria.

**Story for All Ages:** “Goblin Island,” read by Larry Hayslett.

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

**\*\*Joys and Concerns**

**Meditation:** Led by Rev. Whelden.

**Responsive Reading #592:** “The Free Mind,” by William Ellery Channing.

**Presentation:** “Embracing Chaos: What Is Going on in the World and How We Can Welcome It,” by Rev. Jody Whelden.

**Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** Performed by Amber Bruns.

*This week's offering will be shared with The Road Home. The Road Home provides temporary shelter and meals for homeless families with children while helping these families find long-term housing; Prairie takes a turn volunteering with The Road Home on a regular basis.*

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

**\*Hymn #95:** “There Is More Love Somewhere”

**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.

*This week's tech assistant is Andy Garst.*

### Announcements

**Registration is now open** for both Regional Assembly (April 29 – May 1) and General Assembly (June 22-26)! Both events are drivable, providing carpooling opportunities. See Rev. Sandy or Phyllis Long for more information.

RA will be held in Minneapolis this year. Final registration deadline is April 20. Visit [midamericauua.org](http://midamericauua.org) to register.

GA will be held in Columbus Ohio. Early Bird registration ends on April 30, final registration deadline is June 26. Visit [uua.org/ga](http://uua.org/ga) to register.

**Prairie's Spring Retreat** will be held from Friday, May 6, to Sunday, May 8. Registration forms are available in the lobby. Deadline for registration is Sunday, April 10.

**The Spring Parish Meeting** will be held on Sunday, May 22, after the service and Soup Sunday.

**The Prairie Book Club** will meet on Sunday, April 17, to discuss Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe, by Fannie Flag.

**Come join us as we Craft-N-Chat** together to revitalize our RE Busy Bags. Contact Holly Tellander for a list of projects & needed supplies. Saturday, April 16th, 9:30 - 11:30. All ages who can craft without supervision welcome! Bagels, juice and fruit provided. Bring a dish to pass if you like.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is May 8 to 15** Please consider volunteering to serve dinner or various other jobs at IHN/The Road Home. Contact Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285) or sign-up to volunteer at <http://midvalelutheran.org/share/our-community/road-home>

### **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, April 11, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets  
7:00 Program Committee meets

### Saturday, April 16, 2016

9:30 Craft -n-Chat at Prairie

### Sunday, April 17, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 Soup Sunday  
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets  
11:45 Book Club: Fried Green Tomatoes

### Sunday, April 24, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets

### Tuesday, April 26, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

### Sunday, May 3, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets

### Friday, May 6, 2016

5:00 Prairie Retreat begins

### Sunday, May 8, 2016

12:00 Prairie Retreat ends

### Monday, May 9, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets  
7:00 Program Committee meets

### Sunday, May 15, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets  
11:45 Board meets

### Sunday, May 22, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex  
10:00 Service  
11:30 K-2 OWL Class meets  
11:30 Soup Sunday  
12:00 **Parish Meeting**

### Tuesday, May 24, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders 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:

“Universalist Design,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

