

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Mastery and Mystery”

Eric Severson

October 9, 2016

Today's Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Mike Briggs.

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Sandra Ingham

Prairie Testimonial: John Richards

Opening Words: “Part as Parcel,” by Mark L Belletini (adapted). Read by Kate Liu, Sandy Ingham, Eric Severson.

***Opening Hymn #301 (SLT):** “Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky!” accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

Chalice Lighting #434:

May we be reminded here of our highest aspirations,
and inspired to bring our gifts of love and service
to the altar of humanity.

May we know once again that we are not isolated beings
but connected, in mystery and miracle, to the universe,
to this community and to each other.

– Anonymous

Story for All Ages: “Pangu and How the World Began”

Singing the Children Out: “Children's Recessional,” by Joyce Poley.

****Joys and Concerns**

Silent Meditation

Gleanings from Prose Old and New: From “The Discourses” by Greek Stoic philosopher Epictetus and From Rev. Meg Riley, on Mystery. Read by Kate Liu, Sandy Ingham, and Eric Severson.

Audiovisual Interlude: “Breathe (2AM)” by Anna Nalick.

Reflections: “Mastery and Mystery,” by Eric Severson.

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory

Today's offering will be shared with Project Respect.

****Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

***Closing Hymn #318:** “We Would Be One”

Closing Words: From Barbara Pescan.

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

We will donate half of our offering to Project Respect for all of October. Project Respect provides social services, advocacy, and peer support for adult and child victims of prostitution and sex trafficking in Dane County.

Twice a year, Prairie offers an informational meeting for new members and recent visitors. The fall session will be on Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to noon. This meeting is open to all Prairie members. We will share personal religious backgrounds and journeys. Co-leaders Rev. Sandy and Rick Ruecking will present some Unitarian Universalist and Prairie history and give information about how Prairie is organized and how it operates. Continental breakfast provided. *Child care available upon request.* Please contact Erin Bosch to RSVP (hillfarms2002@yahoo.com).

You are invited to the Memorial Service for Orie Loucks at the Atrium, First Unitarian Society, 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 29. Join family and friends to honor and celebrate the life of one of Prairie's “heroes.” Prairie's emphasis on the Seventh UU Principle, before it was a UU principle, is in major part due to Orie's commitment and leadership.

Prairie's Fall Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 20, after the service. Please plan to attend. The 2017 Budget will be voted on at this Parish Meeting.

Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, October 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Kate Tucker, 4504 Camden Road in Madison. Bring a dish to pass if you can – if not, come anyway! Contact Kate at 221-2168 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information or to arrange a ride.

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, October 10, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets

Wednesday, October 12, 2016

6:30 Program Committee meets

Saturday, October 15, 2016

9:30 Craft-N-Chat

Sunday, October 16, 2016

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:30 Book Club meets

11:45 RE Committee meets

Sunday, October 23, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

Monday, October 24, 2016

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck meets

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders Meets

Saturday, October 29, 2016

10:30 Memorial Service for Orie Loucks at FUS

Sunday, October 30, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

Saturday, November 5, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 PrairieWOW

Sunday, November 6, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in Annex

11:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Saturday, November 12, 2016

9:00 Introduction to Prairie

Sunday, November 13, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 Book Club meets

11:45 Board meets

Monday, November 14, 2016

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:

"It Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time,"
by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

