

# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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## “When Lizards do Push-Ups”

by Rev. Sandra Ingham

September 10, 2017

### Announcements

#### Order of Service

“The Unitarian Universalist religion's gift to me has been the opportunity to unfold: the special joy of breaking out of the cocoon, of finding a greater freedom in the exercise of my intelligence and in the growth of my experience of love, beauty and justice.” – Rev. Jack Mendelsohn, Unitarian Universalist minister

“It matters what we believe. Some beliefs are like walled gardens. They encourage exclusiveness and the feeling of being especially privileged. Other beliefs are expansive and lead the way into wider and deeper sympathies.” – Sophia Lyon Fahs, Unitarian Universalist religious educator

#### **Prelude**

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

**Opening Words:** “We Bid You Welcome,” Rev. Richard S. Gilbert

**\*Opening Hymn #347 (SLT):** “Gather the Spirit” Aileen Nettelton, accompanist.

#### **Chalice Lighting**

**Story for All Ages:** Introducing Teddy, by Jessica Walton.

**Children’s Recessional:** by Joyce Poley.

*As you go on your way, may you be filled with gladness.*

*Go in joy, go in joy!*

*May fortune bless your day with peace and loving kindness.*

*Go in love, go in love.*

#### **Joys and Concerns**

#### **Silent Meditation**

**\*Hymn #322:** “Thanks Be for These” (*all verses*)

**Reading:** “Summer's End”, by Anthony Friess Perrino.

**Reflections:** “When Lizards Do Push-Ups,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

**Responsive Reading #594:** “Principles and Purposes for All of Us”

#### **Congregational Response**

#### **Offering and Offertory**

#### **Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**\*Closing Hymn #311:** “Let It Be a Dance”

#### **Closing Words**

#### **Greet Your Neighbor**

\*Please stand as you are able.

*Andy Garst is today's tech assistant.*

**Green Note:** Fall is almost here! Don't forget to check the air pressure in the tires of your vehicle. Improperly inflated tires reduce gas mileage and can reduce traction on slippery streets.

**We will share our offering in September** with Beacon House, the homeless day shelter scheduled to open Oct. 16 in downtown Madison. The shelter will offer appropriate services, including laundry facilities, counseling, and help finding employment, as well as a place to stay warm and fed during the day. There has been a shortfall in the needed funding, which may cause the opening to be delayed. Prairie is trying to do its part!

**Prairie is 50 years old!** Everyone is invited to a Wine and Cheese party on Saturday, September 16, at 7:00pm. Please bring a bottle of your favorite wine and your favorite cheese to share. The festivities will continue on Sunday, September 17, with a service focusing on Prairie's history with a potluck lunch afterward!

**The Remodeling Committee** will hold a presentation on Sunday, September 24, after the service to discuss possible renovations to the Meeting Hall.

**Parish meeting October 1!** We'll hold a Parish meeting on Sunday, October 1, after the service. The agenda includes Social Action items (lockers for the homeless) and the possible remodeling of the meeting house.

**A Parent OWL meeting** will be held after the service in the main room in the Annex.

**The Humanist Union** meets after the service in the meeting house.

#### **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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## Calendar

### **Sunday, September 10, 2017**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
10:00 “When Lizards Do Push-Ups,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham.  
11:30 Parent’s OWL meeting in Annex  
11:45 Humanist Union meets in the Meeting House

### **Monday, September 11, 2017**

6:30 Program Committee

### **Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

2:00 History Committee in Annex

### **Sunday, September 17, 2017**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
10:00 “50 Years at Prairie – A Celebration of Every Decade.”  
11:45 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Potluck

### **Monday, September 18, 2017**

7:00 Board Meeting in Annex

### **Sunday, September 24, 2017**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
10:00 “Milestones in LGBTQ History,” by Anne Urbanski.  
10:30 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade OWL in Annex  
11:45 Remodeling Committee in Meeting House  
11:45 Auction Activity in Annex

### **Sunday, October 1, 2017**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
10:00 “Would Have, Could Have, Should Have,” by Rev. Sandra Ingham

### **Friday, October 6, 2017**

6:00 Board Game Night

### **Saturday, October 7, 2017**

5:00 Men’s Shelter Breakfast  
9:00 PrairieWOW in Annex

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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:**

“50 Years at Prairie – A Celebration of Every Decade”

