

**“Share the Love”  
Andrew Garst**

**February 17, 2019**

Order of Service

**Prelude:** “Lean on Me,” performed by the Prairie Choir.

**Welcome and Announcements:** Andrew Garst

**Opening Words:** Read by Chris Porter.

“Love myself I do. Not everything, but I love the good as well as the bad. I love my crazy lifestyle, and I love my hard discipline. I love my freedom of speech and the way my eyes get dark when I'm tired. I love that I have learned to trust people with my heart, even if it will get broken. I am proud of everything that I am and will become.” – Johnny Weir

**\*Opening Hymn (Handout):** “You Can’t Hurry Love,” led by Ron Frye.

**Chalice Lighting:** Read by Orange and Dean Schroeder

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”  
– Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Story for All Ages:** “The Birthday Presents,” by Paul Stewart. Read by Jesse Garst.

**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 (Handout):** “Thinking of You,” led by Dan Proud.

**Presentation:** “Share the Love,” by Andrew Garst.

**Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** “Sunshine in My Soul,” performed by the Prairie Choir.

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

**Closing Words**

**Greet Your Neighbor**

\*Please stand as you are able.  
*Thank you to Even Creed, this week’s tech assistant.*

Announcements

**We will share our offertory collection** this quarter with The Catalyst Project, Inc. which is a nonprofit organization that helps up to four homeless mothers with children by providing housing with live-in residents who mentor, offer problems solving and other therapeutic interventions as each family unit needs.

**Parish Meeting February 24!** We will vote on whether to proceed with the remodeling plans as proposed by the remodeling committee. Your voice is important, so please attend!

**Remodeling Discussion Today!**  
Join other Prairie members at 11:20 a.m. in the Meeting Hall for an informal discussion on whether to proceed with the remodel. Today is the last opportunity for discussion before we vote at the Parish Meeting on February 24.

**Save the Date!** Prairie’s Service Auction will be held on Sunday, March 3. We’ll start at the regular time (10:00 a.m.) with a short service, then move right into the called auction. There will be silent auction items, too! Do you have an idea for an item or event you’d like to offer in the auction? Let Patty Stockdale know!

**The current art display** is the results of a 2018 Prairie Auction offering to paint your pet. Karen Deaton and Jane Richardson coordinated the event and prepared the materials for the painting. Please enjoy the results of all the Prairie artists.

**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.*

### Calendar

#### **Sunday, February 17, 2019**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
 10:00 Service: "Valentine Stories," by Andy Garst.  
 10:00 OWL in Annex  
 11:20 Remodeling Discussion in Meeting House  
 11:30 Soup Sunday  
 11:45 Book Club

#### **Thursday, February 21, 2019**

2:30 Ukulele Group in Annex

#### **Sunday, February 24, 2019**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
 10:00 Service: "Inquiring Humanists Want to Know," by Rev. Sandra Ingham  
 10:00 OWL in Annex  
 11:30 *Parish Meeting*

#### **Monday, February 25, 2019**

6:00 Spanish Speakers Potluck in Annex

#### **Thursday, February 28, 2019**

7:00 Prairie Ukulele Group in Annex

#### **Friday, March 1, 2019**

6:00 Board Game Night in meeting House

#### **Saturday, March 2, 2019**

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

#### **Sunday, March 3, 2019**

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex  
 10:00 *Service Auction*

#### **Thursday, March 7, 2019**

2:30 Ukulele Group in Annex  
 7:00 Program Committee in Annex

### Prairie Staff and Board Members

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### Upcoming Services

**Sunday, February 24, 2019:** "Inquiring Humanists Want to Know," by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

Humanists probably want to know many things. Here are some questions that Rev. Sandy will pose on this particular Sunday morning. How relevant is the original "Humanist Manifesto" now that humans have made it to the twenty-first century? Do humanists still make up a large percentage of Unitarian Universalist congregations? Are there more secular humanists than religious humanists? Does it matter? Join us on this Sunday for what Rev. Sandy hopes will be a lively discussion following her remarks.

**Sunday, March 3, 2019:** Service Auction

Rev. Sandy will begin the day at the usual time (10:00 a.m.) with a short service. We'll then move right into the called auction! We will follow our tradition of having Orange Schroeder as the auctioneer. There will be silent auction items to bid on as well. Do you have an idea of an event or item you'd like to offer? Contact Patty Stockdale.

**Sunday, March 10, 2019** "Democracy and the Electoral College" by Ken Haydock.

An overview of the undemocratic nature of the Electoral College and a few alternative approaches to electing U.S. Presidents and Vice Presidents, with reference to the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact, among other possibilities.

### 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.