

**“Encountering the Divine: Part 2”
Steve Hingle**

April 28, 2019

Order of Service

Prelude: “Bring Your Mind,” music by Betsy Jo Angebrandt, text by Pat Guyton. Performed by the Prairie Choir.

Welcome and Announcements: Al Nettleton

Opening Words #483 (SLT): by Wendell Berry.

***Opening Hymn #123 (SLT):** “Spirit of Life” Mary Frantz, Accompanist

Chalice Lighting

Story for All Ages

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

Guided Meditation

Drumming, Chanting, and Poetry: Steve Hingle

Chants:
“The Earth, the Water, the Fire, the Air” #387 (SLT)
“We Are a Circle”

Responsive Reading #659: “For You,” by Walt Whitman.

Offering and Offertory: “Simple Gifts,” by Elder Joseph Brackett, arranged by Dale Warland.

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

***Closing Hymn #352:** “Find a Stillness”

Discussion

Closing Words #681: Adapted from Gaelic Runes

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Thank you to Andy Garst, today’s tech assistant.

Announcements

We will share our offering this quarter with the Tenant Resource Center, which provides information and counseling to help resolve tenant-landlord problems in Dane County. The center also provides services to homeless people and those facing homelessness.

We are still collecting household goods and housewares for the Tenant Resource Center and The Road Home. A complete list is posted in the lobby, but in general we are looking for: bedding, dishes, pots and pans, silverware, cleaning supplies, dish and bath towels, etc, or things people need when moving into permanent housing. You can leave items in baskets under tables in the lobby or ask a member of the Social Action Committee for help moving things. Thank you for your generosity!

There will be a meeting to discuss proposed changes to the bylaws on today in the Meeting Hall at 11:30 a.m. Copies of the bylaws with proposed changes will be provided at the meeting.

Prairie’s Spring Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 19, after the service.

An Introduction to Prairie session will be held today after the service on in the Annex. Contact Erin Bosch for more information.

We’re organizing the last art display in our meeting room space before the remodel! This display will coincide with the Transition Service scheduled for June 2. If you have artwork by your children or grandchildren you’d like to display, please contact Kathy Converse.

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, April 28, 2019

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 Bylaws discussion in Meeting Hall
11:30 Introduction to Prairie in Annex

Thursday, May 2, 2019

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

Friday, May 3, 2019

6:00 Board Game Night in Meeting Hall

Saturday, May 4, 2019

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

Sunday, May 5, 2019

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:45 Humanist Union in Annex

Thursday, May 9, 2019

7:00 Ukulele Group in Annex

Sunday, May 12, 2019

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:45 Board in Annex

Thursday, May 16, 2019

2:30 Ukulele Group

Sunday, May 19, 2019

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex
10:00 Service
11:30 Soup Sunday
11:45 Parish Meeting

Thursday, May 23, 2019

2:30 Ukulele Group

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Upcoming Services

Sunday, May 5, 2019 "A Journey from Pastor to Atheist," by Rob Brink.

Rob Brink served as a Christian minister for 15 years. Over time, he moved from the theological far right to the theological far left, until he finally fell off the edge. Today, he is a happy humanist, and a regular speaker for the Free Congregation of Sauk County. Today he will speak about his journey.

Sunday, May 12, 2019 Jim Scott service

From Jim's website, jimscottmusic.com: "Jim Scott's music celebrates the earth. His lyrical melodies and memorable verses invite everyone to get involved in the ideals he raises. 'Jim brings a warmth and authenticity that reduces any size audience to an intimate gathering.' (Eugene OR Register Guard). His guitar skill and enchanting manner led folk legend Pete Seeger to call him 'Some kind of a magician.' Long time guitarist for Paul Winter Consort, Jim was co-composer of their renowned Missa Gaia/Earth Mass. Paul Winter said of his collaborator, 'His music sings of the life spirit.'"

Sunday, May 19, 2019 "QPR Institute," by Jean Papalia.

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.