

Note: This service will be recorded

Reader: Al Nettleton

Zoom Helper: Renee

Opening Song: [Shenandoah](#) performed by First Universalist Choir

Welcome and Announcements:
Aileen Nettleton

Opening Words by John Lewis

The vote is precious. It is the most powerful non-violent tool we have in a democratic society, and we must use it.

Chalice Lighting by Molly Brewer

My beloved people,
 I cannot pretend,
 And so I will not tell you,
 That everything is okay right now.
 That there is no reason to be angry,
 That you must be optimistic
 Or at peace.

I cannot pretend these things,
 And so I won't tell them to you.
 But now our chalice is lit,
 And so all I ask in this moment is that we remember
 the words of Rebecca Parker:
 There is a Love.
 There is a Love holding us.
 There is a Love holding all.

By the light of our chalice,
 Let us rest in this Love

Story for All Ages: *The Alphabet Tree* by Leo Leonni

Presentation: *Voting During the Pandemic* by David Canon

Relates to the 5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large

Discussion

Closing Words by Sharon Salzberg

Voting is the expression of our commitment to ourselves, one another, this country, and this world.

Closing Song: [Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier](#) by J.G. Walther performed by Mary Franz

Virtual Coffee Hour

Guest/visitor welcome, Joys and Concerns and chatting.



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.

We are sharing our **Offering** this quarter with the **Allied Wellness Center**. The Wellness Center is a neighborhood Center with the purpose of promoting health and wellness of the mind, body and spirit of people living in the Allied, Belmar and Dunn’s Marsh neighborhoods

Upcoming Events

Prairie Sing Along (every Sunday) 7pm

Everyone is welcomed to Prairie's Singalong Sunday night at 7 to 8:30 pm. We use the [Rise Up Singing](#) songbook. Let Patty Stockdale know if you need a songbook, or buy it online. Each person is encouraged to pick out a song or 2, so we have ready selections. When you lead a song, you can practice your guitar or ukulele and sing with no judgements! It will bring out the folk rock star that you are. If your kids have song choices, let's try them too!. Invite your friends!

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85355334298>

Join by phone: 1(312) 626-6799 Meeting ID: 853 5533 4298

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons (beginners group) (every Monday) 4:30 pm

Looking for a fun way to get social with friends? Well, this is the group for you! Join us on Mondays from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. No prior experience necessary - though a camera & microphone will be required for full participation. This group is open to anyone! Ages 9 & up will be most comfortable.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87803393490>

Wednesday Fun (every Wednesday) 6pm

On Wednesday evenings we come together to focus our activities around our youngest learners - grades 3 and under. But ALL are welcome. Common activities are read aloud, show & tell, virtual hide & seek, talent shows, pet demonstrations, sing-a-longs, or general tomfoolery. Actually, the tomfoolery is guaranteed. Hope to see you there! Room opens at 5:50. Fun usually ends at 6:30.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84638913138>

Beyond Categorical Thinking September 24th, 2020 7-8:30pm & September 26th 9-10:30am

Beyond Categorical Thinking is a highly recommended part of the search process for our congregation. In finding the person who would be the best match for our minister, we could potentially overlook or even let biases keep us from knowing that a particular person would be the best match for us. Our trainers will facilitate the workshops and lead our service on Sunday September 27th. We hope to see many Prairie members & staff at the Zoom workshops and Sunday online service.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88391449460>

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons (advanced group) (every Friday) 4:30 pm

Bring your character and immerse yourself in a virtual world of storytelling and decision-making. Join us on Friday nights from 4:30-6:30 for our Advanced level Dungeons & Dragons group. If you have a D&D character ready to go and have a little experience playing this game, this is the group for you! Camera & microphone will be necessary to interact fully. This group is open to anyone! Ages 9 & up will be most comfortable.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8684777436>

Study Group, White Trash: The 400-Year Untold History of Class in America by Nancy Isenberg, Monday, September 28, 2020, 7-8:30 pm

We will discuss Part Two of the book. This study group is part of Prairie's initiative to become a more truly welcoming congregation to those of all ethnic and class backgrounds, genders and sexual orientations as we proclaim at the start of our services. Please participate if you can. Suzanne Gernandt is supplying the study questions and facilitating the discussions for our first selection. Next meeting date is 10/12: part 3

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88309002767>