

**“Destigmatizing Reproductive Justice” by Evelyn Kain (she/her), Katrina Thompson (they/them), and Pageen Small (she/her)**

**September 18, 2022**

**Prelude:** “We Need Planned Parenthood” Original lyrics by the Peninsula Raging Grannies, new verses by Vicki Ryder, Tune - Battle Hymn of the Republic. Performed by the Raging Grannies of Madison and Dane County.

**Welcome and Announcements:** Katrina Thompson

**Chalice Lighting:** “Creating a Sanctuary for our Stories” by the Rev. Julia Hamilton. Read by Pageen Small.

**Story for All Ages:** More than Fluff by Madeline Valentine.

**Children’s Recessional:** by Joyce Poley. Accompanied by Ron Frye.

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.

**Silent Meditation:** “Burning Up, Not Out — A Meditation on Struggling for Abortion Justice” by Rev. Terry Williams. Read by Katrina Thompson.

**Music:** “If My Uterus Were a Gun” written by Lauren Mayer, adapted and used by the Raging Grannies with permission.



**Presentation:**  
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*1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person*

**Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** “Pack Up Your Sorrows” by Richard Farina & Pauline Marden. Performed by Patty Stockdale and Mary Mullen.

**Closing Words:** from Margaret Atwood’s The Handmaid’s Tale. Read by Evelyn Kain.

“Is that how we lived, then? But we lived as usual. Everyone does, most of the time. Whatever is going on is as usual. Even this is as usual, now. We lived, as usual, by ignoring. Ignoring isn’t the same as ignorance, you have to work at it. Nothing changes instantly: in a gradually heating bathtub you’d be boiled to death before you knew it.”

**Closing Music:** “Abortion Cheer” Lyrics by Jo-Hanna Read & Laura Rostholder, Seattle Gaggle, Tune: The Feel Like I’m Fixin’ to Die Rag by Country Joe and the Fish.

**Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors**

**Greet Your Neighbor**

**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.*

### Announcements

For the third quarter of 2022, Prairie will share its offertory collection with Wilma's Fund, which provides assessments and assistance to LGBTQ+ people who are experiencing homelessness, as well as support to prevent homelessness in this population. The fund was established in 2011.

#### **Building Dedication and Fall Fair Sunday, September 25th**

Join us Sunday morning, September 25, for our building dedication and open house, with tours! A festive Fall Fair will follow.

10:00am: Building Dedication

11:00am: Live Auction

11:30am to 2:00pm: Food, Music, Kids Activities

1:30: Raffle

Vaccinations against flu and COVID for 3-year-olds and up will be provided by Fitchburg Family Pharmacy in the Annex at the Fall Fair on September 25, 2022, from 11 am to 2 pm. Bring your insurance card. Donations will be accepted for those in the community without insurance.

#### **Parish Meeting September 18, after the service**

The Nominating Committee has nominated Anne Pryor as our new Committee on Ministry member, to replace Mary Frantz who is stepping down. Anne is a long time Prairie member who will bring a wealth of skills and energy and her own thoughtful perspective to the COM. Please come to the brief **Special Parish Meeting after service on 9/18/22**, when our only agenda item will be to elect Anne as the new member of the Committee on Ministry.

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### Abortion Links

#### **Information, Support and Resources:**

I Need an A[bortion] - <https://www.ineedana.com/>

Abortion Finder - <https://www.abortionfinder.org/>

POWERS - Pregnancy Options Wisconsin  
<https://www.pregnancyoptionswi.org/>

Planned Parenthood -  
<https://www.plannedparenthood.org/>

#### **Funding:**

*For abortions*

<https://wiabortionfund.org/> (Wisconsin)

<https://abortionfunds.org/fund/options-fund/> (focus on Northern and Western WI)

<https://abortionfunds.org/fund/freedom-fund/> (Northern and Central WI)

*For logistics (travel, lodging, support, etc).*

<https://midwestaccesscoalition.org/> (anyone traveling within or to Midwest)

### **Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations**

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.