

"Flashbacks" by Gene Kaine

Order of Service

October 9, 2022

Prelude: "Addio del passato" from La Traviata by Verdi,
performed by Amber

Welcome and Announcements: Suzanne Gernandt

Chalice Lighting:

We light the chalice of our living tradition with these words:
To face the world's shadows, a chalice of light.
To face the world's coldness, a chalice of warmth.
To face the world's terrors, a chalice of courage.
To face the world's turmoil, a chalice of peace.
May its glow fill our spirits, our hearts, and our lives.

Opening Music: SLT #131 "Love Will Guide Us",
accompanied by Amber

Story for All Ages: Many Shapes of Clay: A Story of Healing
by Kenesha Sneed

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.

Silent Meditation

Presentation: "Flashbacks", by Gene Kaine.

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "Pavane" by Faure, performed
by Amber

Closing Words: by Ma Theresa "Tet" Gustilo Gallardo

We cast not our eyes below, we say to ourselves we
are how we came, wounded from struggles,
triumphant in our survival, entitled by birthright to
belong to this the only humankind there is, saying I
am included, I belong, I am here, and I will be and do.
I will breathe joy into desolation, I will breathe peace
into conflict, I will breathe life into destruction. I will be
the earth I wish to see. I am growth, and hope, and
glee.

Closing Music: SLJ #1057 "Go Lifted Up", (with repeat)
accompanied by Amber

Joys and Concerns and Welcome Guests and 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 fourth quarter of 2022, Prairie will share its offertory collection Porchlight's DIGS program, which provides eviction-prevention counseling and financial assistance to households facing eviction. In 2021, DIGS counseled 1,007 households and gave financial assistance to 660 households in danger of eviction; 85% of those who received DIGS' assistance remained in housing six months later. The program is running low on funds, and Prairie's Social Action Committee thought it would be an appropriate sharer of our offering.

Mission-Vision Discussions Would you like to have input into the future direction of Prairie UU Society? Under the Board's direction, Rev. Matt will be holding discussions on Prairie's mission. The goal is for our community to engage in dialogue to re-affirm our shared understandings of Prairie's purposes, challenge our assumptions, and prioritize our collective actions going forward. Once feedback has been gathered from the community, a small Task Force will be convened early next year to help prepare a motion at the Spring parish meeting to either maintain the current Mission and Vision, or to vote upon updates.

There are meetings on Zoom and in person. Please see Prairie's calendar for meeting dates. RSVP to Rev. Matt if you're interested.

Bylaws Discussion The Bylaws Committee has submitted their recommendations to the Board and is seeking input before sending the changes to the congregation. Be aware that changes can't be made once the final proposal is published. Please consider attending one of these two meetings:

Sunday 10/9/22 after service, IN PERSON, Meeting Hall
Wednesday 10/12/22 at 7 pm ON ZOOM,

Prairie Board Officers and Staff

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Calendar

Find the full Prairie calendar [on our website](#).

Sunday, October 9, 2022

10:00 Service: "Flashbacks" by Gene Kain

11:30 Mission/Vision Discussion (Annex)

11:30 Bylaws Discussion (Meeting Hall)

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

1:00 Mission-Vision Discussion (at Prairie)

7:00 Bylaws Discussion (Zoom)

Saturday, October 15, 2022

10:30 Mission-Vision Discussion (Zoom)

1:00 Mission-Vision Discussion (at Prairie)

Sunday, October 16, 2022

10:00 Service by Rev. Matt Aspin

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

7:00 Mission-Vision Discussion (Zoom)

Saturday, October 22, 2022

10:00 Creativity and Connection

Sunday, October 23, 2022

10:00 Service: "Unitarian Universalism and Elections" by Mark Richards

Sunday, October 30, 2022

10:00 Service: "All Souls Day"

Saturday, November 5, 2022

10:00 PrairieWOW

Sunday, November 6, 2022

Daylight Saving Time ends – fall back one hour

10:00 Service

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.