

“Communal Salvation” by Rev. Matt Aspin

Soul Matters Theme: Change

Relates to the 6th UU Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all

Prelude: “Prelude No. 21 in B flat” by Bach, performed by Amber

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Matt Aspin

Pledge Drive Special Music: “Let it Go”, performed by Rachel Long

Chalice Lighting: *Hoping, Trusting for So Many Things* by Katie Kandarian-Morris

Here we have come into this sacred space—
quieter now with our readiness
Hushed voices, hoping, trusting for so many things:
For connection, for communion
For inspiration, for information
For healing, for wholeness,
For words, for music,
For celebration and consolation,
Here we have come into this space bringing all of who we are,
Let us be willing... however we are changed.

Opening Music: SLT# 168 One More Step, accompanied by Amber

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.

Silent Meditation

Responsive Reading: By Rev. Denise Cawley, inspired by James Reeb

Response: *“I couldn’t just stand by.”*

Presentation: *Communal Salvation* by Rev. Matt Aspin

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: “Horse Racing”, Traditional, arr. Bruns, performed by Amber

Closing Words: *The Purpose of This Community is to Help Its People Grow* By Erik Walker Wikstrom

If you are who you were,
and if the person next to you is who he or she was,
if none of us has changed
since the day we came in here—
we have failed.

The purpose of this community—
of any church, temple, zendo, mosque—
is to help its people grow.

We do this through encounters with the unknown—in ourselves,
in one another,
in “The Other”—whoever that might be for us,
however hard that might be—
because these encounters have many gifts to offer.

So may you go forth from here this morning
not who you were,
but who you could be.

So may we all.

Closing Music: SLT# 347 Gather the Spirit, accompanied by Amber

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor



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Announcements

For the fourth quarter of 2022, Prairie will share its offertory collection with 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.

Save the Date! Prairie's Fall Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 20, 2022. We'll start the morning with a short service at 10:00 a.m. then move into the meeting. We'll be discussing the budget, a change to the bylaws and other important topics. We need 32 people for a quorum, so please attend!

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Lyrics for "Let It Go":

For the annex neat and remodeling sweet
We have maintenance to do
Supplies for all our children
Help them find their point of view

A minister has joined us
And he's helping us full time,
An administrator, janitor
And a DRE sublime

So now it's time, let's all step up
The community that always has enough
We can be generous I know
So let it show!

Let it go, Let it go,
Send those checks and cash our way!
Let it go, Let it go,
Don't wait another day

Show we care
Make your pledge today
You know you should.
You'd spend it on Amazon anyway.

*Find Prairie's activities calendar on the web at
www.uuprairie.org/about/calendar*