



"Federal Funding Makes Clean Energy More Affordable for All" by Kathryn Kuntz

Monthly theme: Resistance

UU Principle: 7th Principle - Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

Order Of Service - April 23rd 2023

Welcome and Announcements: Renee Deschard
(she/her)

Chalice Lighting: "For the Web of Life" by Paul
Sprecher

We light this chalice for the web of life which
sustains us,
For the sacred circle of life in which we have our
being,
For the Earth, the Sky, Above and Below, and
For our Mother Earth, and for the Mystery.

Opening Music: "Forest" from Three Songs of
Nature, words and music by Jerry Estes, performed
by the Prairie Choir, directed by Barb Park,
accompanied by Carl Wacker

Presentation: "Federal Funding Makes Clean
Energy More Affordable for All" by Kathryn Kuntz
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Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "River Running
Free" from Three Songs of Nature, words
and music by Jerry Estes, performed by
the Prairie Choir, directed by Barb Park,
accompanied by Carl Wacker

Closing Words by Jane Goodall

"You cannot get through a single day
without having an impact on the world
around you. What you do makes a
difference, and you have to decide what
kind of difference you want to make."

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

Congregational Discussion



Announcements

2nd Quarter Offertory Sharing: Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development

For the second quarter of 2023, Prairie is sharing its offertory collection with the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development, which provides peer support to men returning to the community from prison through its Reentry and Dignity Housing programs. Nehemiah also mentors kids who need help navigating school and life and offers an acclaimed course for the general public, "Black History for a New Day."

Spring Parish Meeting, moved up to May 7th

The new date for our Spring Parish Meeting is Sunday, May 7th. We'll have a brief service with the parish meeting starting at 10:15 am. Agenda and committee reports will be distributed prior to the meeting.

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

Service: Sunday, April 30, 10:00 am "A Walk on the Wild Side" by Prairie RE

During this intergenerational service, our youth are taking us to a magical land where people can hear what the animals say and vice versa. This Earth Day themed play will culminate in a song. After the service, we will **celebrate Mary Frantz's 100th birthday** with cake and also have our annual maypole ceremony outside.

Congregational Discussion Today

After the service please join Rev. Matt, the Board, and the Committee on Ministry where the Board will answer questions and discuss options they are exploring due to Rev. Matt's departure. Children and youth are invited to stay in the RE space to enjoy pizza and a movie while the congregational discussion is taking place.