



"All Souls' Day" by Prairie

Order Of Service - October 29th 2023

Prelude: Esurientes Implevit by Bach, arr. Bruns, performed by Amber

Welcome: Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Chalice Lighting: "In our time of grief, we light a flame of sharing, the flame of ongoing life. In this time when we search for understanding and serenity in the face of loss, we light this sign of our quest for truth, meaning and community."
#454 SLT by Christine Robinson

Opening Music: #123 SLT "Spirit of Life", accompanied by Amber

Silent Meditation

Reflection: A brief history of Dia de Los Muertos and interesting research about deathbed "visitations" and NDEs (near-death experiences) by Ilene Haykus

Presentation: All Souls' Day

Responsive Reading: #721 SLT "They Are With Us Still" by Kathleen McTigue

Reading of Names of Past Prairie Members by Mary Mullen and Ron Frye

Sharing of Loved Ones who are no longer with us

Offering and Offertory: Hallelujah by Cohen, arr. Keveren, performed by Amber

Closing Words: Responsive Reading: #720 SLT "We Remember Them" adapted from Roland B. Gittelsohn

Closing Music: #112 SLT "Do You Hear?" accompanied by Amber

Announcements

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor



Announcements



4th Quarter Offertory

Sharing: The Catalyst Project, a mutually supportive community for up to 3 single moms and their children who have experienced

homelessness. Participants have access to collaborative problem solving, trauma informed mentoring, and therapeutic intervention. The project's founding principle is that the wisdom of those mistreated by our society is essential to creating a society that serves all its people.

Fall Parish Meeting Sunday, Nov 19th. We'll have a very short service and then move right into the parish meeting. We'll hear about the findings from the Transition Team and vote on next year's budget. The agenda and meeting materials will be distributed in November. Per our bylaws, we need 30% of membership present for a quorum. Please plan to attend.

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, Nov 5th "Deciding What's True in a Polarized Society" by Michael Wagner

This presentation reviews research on fake news, fact-checking, selective exposure to like-minded media outlets and describes the implications for democracy. This presentation is sponsored by Badger Talks.

Sunday, Nov 5th Congregational Discussion

The Transition Team will host a meeting immediately following the service on Sunday, November 5th. The meeting will present results of the member/friend survey that asked in what ways and how much a minister is important. Financial costs and available funds for a minister will also be presented. Childcare will be provided. Watch for more details in Prairie News.

Green Sanctuary Congregation

You may recycle oral care products including tooth brushes, empty toothpaste tubes, and empty floss containers in the box on the shelf outside the bathrooms in the Meeting House. It's one of the ways we continue our mission of being a UU Green Sanctuary Congregation.

New Hospitality Chair

The Board and Nominating Committee are excited to announce that Ruth Ellen Saul is our new Hospitality Committee Chair. Please join us in thanking Ruth Ellen for taking on this important role! This committee only runs successfully with lots of volunteers for preparing beverages and snacks for services and potlucks. Both setup and cleanup needed! Thank you to all the members and friends who regularly volunteer!