



## "Keeping it Real-Keeping it Kind" by Mary Sue Reutebuch

**1st Principle:** The inherent worth and dignity of every person; **Value:** Equity: We declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.

### Order Of Service - May 11, 2025

**Prelude:** Sonata No. 6 in G minor, Vivace and Allegro ma non presto by Vivaldi, performed by Amber. There will be a pause between movements.

**Welcome:** Mary Sue Reutebuch

#### Chalice Lighting:

*"Listen with curiosity. Speak with honesty. Act with integrity. The greatest problem with communication is we don't listen to understand. We listen to reply. When we listen with curiosity, we don't listen with the intent to reply. We listen for what's behind the words."*

— Roy T. Bennett, *The Light in the Heart*

**Opening Music:** #338 SLT "I Seek the Spirit of a Child", accompanied by Amber

**Story For All Ages:** *The Other Way to Listen* by Byrd Baylor (Author), Peter Parnall (Illustrator) read by Mary Sue Reutebuch

**Children's Recessional** by Joyce Poley, accompanied by Amber

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:** "Keeping it Real-Keeping it Kind" by Prairie's Pastoral Minister, Mary Sue Reutebuch

### Discussion

**Offering and Offertory:** "We Can Work It Out" by Lennon and McCartney, performed by Amber

#### Closing Words:

*Be the light in the crack*

*Be the one that's mending the camel's back*

*Slow to anger, quick to laugh*

*Be more heart and less attack*

*Be the wheels, not the track*

*Be the wanderer that's coming back*

*Leave the past right where it's at*

*Be more heart and less attack*

*The more you take the less you have*

*Cause it's you in the mirror staring back*

*Quick to let go, slow to react*

*Be more heart and less attack*

*Ever growing, steadfast*

*And if need, be the one that's in the gap*

*Be the never turning back*

*Twice the heart anyone could have.*

— "More Heart, Less Attack" written by Bear

Rinehart and Bo Rinehart, founding members of the band, NEEDTOBREATHE

**Closing Music:** #170 SLT "We Are a Gentle Angry People", accompanied by Amber

#### Announcements

#### Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

#### Greet Your Neighbor

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## Announcements

### **Prairie's 2nd Quarter Offertory Sharing**

Leopold Community Assistance Network (CAN), which helps Leopold School families in crisis with eviction-prevention funds, housing entry fees, immigration resources, and other needs.

### **From the Prairie Cookbook Committee**

We're excited about the great start to our new Prairie Cookbook—and now we need your help!

**Photos Needed:** If you've already submitted a recipe, we'd love a photo to go with it. You can take one at home or bring the dish to a potluck or Circle Dinner and we'll snap it for you. Not sure what you submitted? Just ask!

**More Recipes Welcome:** Please share more favorites—especially dishes you bring to Prairie events or offered at the auction.

This cookbook will be something we all treasure, and we need your contributions to make it truly special.

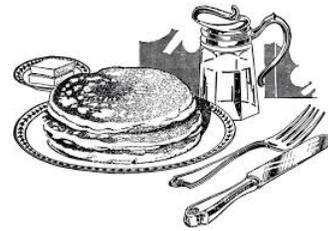
Send recipes and pictures to Susan (herrsm@gmail.com) or Deesa (deesapence@gmail.com)

Thank you! Susan Herr-Hoyman, Deesa Pence, Mary Mullen, Suzanne Gernandt, and Karleen Tyksinski

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### **Pancake Brunch - Today!**

Prairie Guy's Group will be serving a Pancake Brunch after the service today to celebrate Mother's Day. All are invited!



### **Next Sunday "Spring Parish Meeting"**

We'll start with a very short service and then move right into our parish meeting. Members will be voting on the Financial Reserves Committee proposal, new Board Members, and a new Nominating Committee member.

**Next Sunday in RE:** Peer group classes, including OWL

**Just Bakery** will have baked goods for sale after the parish meeting on Sunday, May 18.

### **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.