



Prairie Fire Bulletin

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Calendar

Sunday, April 10, 2011

10:00 Service – “Jesus and the Easter Bunny,” intergenerational; presented by Religious Education classes. RE open house will follow the service.

Friday, April 15, 2011

Prairie Fire Deadline.

Sunday, April 17, 2011

8:45 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 Service – “The Ground of Our Being,” presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen.

11:45 Soup Sunday!

12:00 Book Club meets to discuss Canoeing with the Cree, by Eric Sevareid.

Wednesday, April 20, 2011

7:00 Program committee meets.

Sunday, April 24, 2011

8:45 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 Service - “A Freedom Seder: Celebration of the Exodus and Freedom Movements Throughout the World,” presented by Ruth Calden and Mary Mullen.

10:00 Easter Egg Hunt for RE students

Tuesday, April 26, 2011

2:00 Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood; topic is nuclear energy.

Saturday, April 30, 2011

9:00 Adult RE class: Immigration.

Looking ahead:

Sunday, May 15th – Spring Parish meeting and potluck.

Upcoming Programs

Sunday, April 10, 2011, 10:00 am: "Jesus and the Easter Bunny," an intergenerational service presented by the Religious Education classes. Easter has become a celebration of renewal; the resurrection of Jesus Christ for Christians and at the same time a renewal or "resurrection" of life on Earth for the pagans. The children's religious education program will show how the two faiths have blended, with Easter now telling tales of both a bunny and baskets and the life of a man who changed the course of history.

Prairie Web Sites:

Home Page
www.uuprairie.org

News Group
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie-news/>

Views
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/prairie-views/>

Social Action
<http://socialaction.madisonwi.us>

Humanist Union
<http://humanist.madisonwi.us>

Input Deadlines:

Calendar items, announcements, and program descriptions are due on the 1st and 15th of each month. Please send to Kate Liu at admin@uuprairie.org or call 271-8218.



Sunday, April 17, 2011, 10:00 am: "The Ground of Our Being," presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen. Who are we as a UU congregation, why do we exist, what is our vision, and how do we get there? As we look to the future of Prairie, it is with a broad eye cast to the future. But what about now? What about here? What about us? Today's service will be a reflection piece on identity.

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Announcements

Soup Sunday April 17th: Our next Soup Sunday will be after the service on Sunday, April 17th. In addition to our usual fabulous soup lunch, we will have special guest Mats Karlsson, Rev. Jane Esbensen's new husband, with us from Sweden, and we will have cake to (belatedly) celebrate their wedding (which was in December.) Please plan to stay for this fun event. This lunch will be brought to you by the Prairie board... however, if you have not had a chance to contribute to a soup Sunday and are just yearning to make soup or salad or dessert or help with clean up, please contact president Barb Park at [barpark \(at\) gmail.com](mailto:barpark(at)gmail.com).

Finance News: Prairie runs on love and volunteer time – but it also needs your financial support to bring quality programs every Sunday, support our staff, and maintain our building. Pledges are the primary way that this financial support comes in. For the next two Sundays, the finance committee will have a table set up in the foyer to distribute pledge letters and to accept returned pledge cards. If you are not a member but are still interested in making a regular financial contribution, forms will be available. Thank you for your commitment to Prairie.

District Assembly and General Assembly news: If you are interested in attending DA (Bloomington, IL, April 29-30) or GA (Charlotte, NC, June 22-26), please tell our denominational affairs chair asap! Deadlines for registration for both meetings are coming up fast. Contact Christina Klock at [cak190 \(at\) hotmail.com](mailto:cak190(at)hotmail.com) or 695-5013.

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