



# Prairie Fire

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## Calendar

### Sunday, August 14, 2011

10:00 Service - "Celtic Spirituality: The Celtic Cross, the Tree of Life, and the Eternal Circle," presented by Frank Siegle.

### Sunday, August 21, 2011

10:00 Service - "Overwork, Work Addiction, and the Blessings of the Sabbath," presented by Ian Riddell

11:15 Soup Sunday "Local Produce"

11:40 The Prairie Book Club meets to discuss "The Woman Behind the New Deal - The Life of Frances Perkins, FDR's Secretary of Labor & His Moral Conscience" by Kirsten Downey.

### Monday, August 22, 2011

6:30 Spanish Speaker's Potluck.

### Tuesday, August 23, 2011

1:30 Prairie Elders meet at the Nakoma Room, Heritage Oaks building, Oakwood Village West

### Sunday, August 28, 2011

10:00 Service

11:15 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Splash Pool Party

### Saturday, September 3, 2011

3:00 Ice Cream Social at Prairie

### Sunday, September 4, 2011

10:00 Service – Labor Day service with a presentation by a representative from Interfaith Coalition for Worker Justice.

### Wednesday, September 7, 2011

7:00 Prairie Board meeting

### Sunday, September 11, 2011

10:00 Service - "Facing Our Fears and Biases About Islam"

### Sunday, September 18, 2011

10:00 Service – GA presentation

### Sunday, September 25, 2011

10:00 Service

## Prairie Web Sites:

Home Page  
[www.uuprairie.org](http://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>

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Calendar items, announcements, and program descriptions are due on the 1st and 15th of each month. Please send to Dan Klock at [admin@uuprairie.org](mailto:admin@uuprairie.org) or call 271-8218.

# Upcoming Programs

**Sunday, August 14, 2011, 10:00AM: "Celtic Spirituality: The Celtic Cross, the Tree of Life, and the Eternal Circle," presented by Frank Siegle.**

Part history lesson and part spiritual experience, Frank Siegle will explore Celtic spirituality using ritual story and song.

**Sunday, August 24, 2011, 10:00AM: "Overwork, Work Addiction, and the Blessings of the Sabbath," by Ian Riddell.**

Burning the candle at both ends. Putting your life into your work. Getting it done. We live in a world that rewards us for doing more and more and more. Getting more done. Making more money. We're rewarded for working overtime—celebrated for selfless devotion to our tasks. Today we reflect on the costs of all of this work—for our families, for our bodies, for our spirits, for our society—and take another look at the ancient practice of the Sabbath—of holy rest.

# News & Announcements

**The next Spanish Speakers Potluck** will be on Monday, August 22. It is currently scheduled to be at Prairie, but the location may change. All are welcome! Please bring a dish to pass if possible. For more information, contact Rosemary Dorney at (608) 238-4382.

**Cool off with ice cream!** Prairie will hold an Ice Cream Social on Saturday, September 3, from 3:00pm to 4:30pm. Root beer will be available for those who would like to have a float!

**Mini-retreat October 15** - Since we are moving our annual retreat from the fall to the spring, we are planning a one-day retreat at Prairie this fall, for this transition year. It will be similar to our longer retreats but it will consist of just one very full Saturday, no overnights. The Arboretum and Marlborough Park will be used for outdoor activities like nature walks and active games. Prairie meeting rooms will be used for discussion groups and crafts. There will be child care providers on hand for the very youngest among us. If you have an idea for a group activity you would like to lead, or if you would like to help with the general planning, please contact Erin Bosch. There will be a Talent Show, so be thinking of what you might like to perform!



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