## Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society October 15, 1988

UU Principle I: The inherent worth and dignity of every person

Al Nettleton Lay Minister 30 people

## Congregating:

## Convening:

Welcome

Lighting the Chalice

We live in many darknesses. We are often uncertain. We are sometimes afraid.

IN THE DARKNESS, WE LIGHT A CANDLE OF HOPE. We all have sorrows. We have known pain. Each of us carries special regrets.

IN OUR PAIN, WE LIGHT A CANDLE OF FORGIVENESS. We are sometimes lonely, and the world seems cold and

IN OUR LONELINESS, WE LIGHT A CANDLE OF WARMTH. We have our joys, our times of happiness. Each of us receives gifts.

IN OUR GRATITUDE, WE LIGHT A CANDLE OF THANKS. We have known awe, wonder, mystery; glimmerings of perfection in our imperfect world.

IN OUR WONDER, WE LIGHT A CANDLE OF PRAISE. We bring many uncertainties, many sorrows, many joys, much wonder.

WE BRING TOGETHER MANY CANDLES, MANY LIGHTS.

May our separate lights become one flame, that together
we may be nurished by its glow. - Bruce T. Marshall

Bond of Union
To Life L'HY-Im PIT
Commentary:

Contemplation: Revenue for Life p))

Concerns:

Communications:

## Commitment:

Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision.

As a free congregation we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

Community: