

# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

March 5, 1995

Prelude: Mike Briggs

Song: #99, Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen

Chalice Lighting: Jonalu Johnstone

Joys and Sorrows

Responsive Reading: #579, Limits of Tyrants

Choir: "Common Ground"  
Words and music by Dean Schroeder

Readings:  
"We Are All Bound Up Together"  
Frances E.W. Harper

From Beyond Racism: Building an Open Society  
Whitney Young

Presentation: "Been in the Storm So Long: African American Unitarian Universalists"  
Rev. Jonalu Johnston, Minister James Reeb U. U. Society

Discussion

Offering

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Announcements

Song: #201, Glory, Glory Hallelujah!

Closing Words

Postlude

## COMMON GROUND

Dean Schroeder

Today we safely have gathered here  
But we know on this our common ground  
That some must live in the bonds of fear  
Alone, but hoping to be found.

Who are we?  
How can we be for them?  
Can we find in our hearts  
And our minds  
Love and care?

We are one with them now  
Let us pray that the light  
Of the dawn will bring unto them  
The shelter of Grace once again.

Tho' love will warm our hearts today  
Still we know on this our common ground  
Are some who cold and in dark must live  
Alone but hoping to be found.

(Chorus)

Let those without defense or voice  
Come and now in spirit with us be  
And let our hearts be as one with theirs  
And as one live warm and safe and free.

(Chorus)