

# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

Sunday, January 29, 2006

Prelude – VeeraRaju Eligenti  
*Raghupati-Traditional Hindu Hymn #178*  
(translation on next page)

Welcome – Rachel Long, Religious Education Committee Chair

Chalice Lighting - Rebecca Malke-Eligenti  
*Chandogya Upanishad*  
Moment of Silent Meditation

Hymn #21 – *For the Beauty of the Earth\**

Joys and Concerns

Presentation – Dr. Frank Morales  
*Introduction to Hinduism*

Discussion

Offertory – *Devotional Song to Shiva*  
Introduction of Guests and Visitors  
Prairie Announcements  
(Additional announcements are in the Order of Service)

Hymn # 197 – *There Are Numerous Strings\**  
Accompanist – Aileen Nettleton

Responsive Reading - #611  
Brahman  
Closing Words – Rachel Long  
Hand of Friendship

\*stand as you are able

## Chandogya Upanishad:

A young man, Shevetaketu, has been away studying and memorizing priestly lore—chants and rituals—with a specialist for many years. The young man's father questions him about what he has learned and his son proudly recites the many formulas he knows. The father then asks him what he knows about Brahman, the Supreme Spirit; but the young man knows nothing. Trying to assist the son's understanding the father asks his son to fill a glass with water, put salt in it, and leave it overnight. The next day he asks his son to find the salt:

"Bring me the salt you put into the water last night."

Shevetaketu looked into the water, but could not find it, for it had dissolved.

His father then said: "taste the water from the side. How is it?"

"It is salt"

"Taste it from the middle. How is it?"

"It is salt."

Taste it from that side. How is it?"

"It is salt."

"Look for the salt again and come again to me."

The son did so, saying: "I cannot see the salt. I only see water."

The father then said: " In the same way, O my son, you cannot see the Spirit. But in truth he is here.

*"An invisible and subtle essence is the Spirit of the whole universe. That is Reality. That is Truth. Thou art That."*

**Welcome to our Service!** We are so glad you are here. Please stay afterwards for fellowship and coffee. Our Presider this morning is Rachel Long, and the Coordinator (who gets everything ready for us) is Susan Herr-Hoyman. Our accompanist today is Aileen Nettleton. Thanks to all of them for their service today.

## **Announcements**

**Meditation group** meets Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at Prairie. See Prairie Fire for details or speak with Judy Skog or the Rev. Jody Whelden.

**Humanist Union** meets monthly at Prairie, usually on a Sunday, starting with a light potluck lunch at noon, followed by a presentation and discussion from 12:20 - 1:30 pm. Coming programs: Jan. 29 - *Tom Paine's AGE OF REASON Today* led by Warren Hagstrom (on Tom Paine's birthday); Feb. 12 - A Darwin Day Celebration with UW Prof. Ronald Numbers (on Charles Darwin's birthday). See <http://humanist.madisonwi.us> for more details.

**Mystery Friends** signup is today. Adults sign up to exchange one letter a week over the next 4 weeks. Exchange starts on February 5 and identities will be revealed at a party after the service on March 5.

**Spanish Speakers'** next potluck will be at the home of Dave and Marcia Johnson, 313 Glenway. All are welcome.

**Guest at your Table** campaign is on. See Prairie Fire for details. We will collect the donation boxes during the month of February.

**New Adult Class** – The Natural Step – will start in March and run for 10 weeks. Judy Skog will facilitate this program. See Prairie Fire for details or talk to Judy.

## **Calendar**

**Sunday, January 29, 11:30 a.m.** Mystery Friends signup

**Sunday, January 29, 11:30 a.m.** OWL Family/Teacher Orientation

**Sunday, January 29, 1:30 p.m.** Humanist Union meets at Prairie.

**Wednesday, February 1, 6:00 p.m.** Meditation Group meets.

**Wednesday, February 1, 6:30 p.m.** Midweek Meal

**Thursday, February 2, 6:30 p.m.** WOW Women's Group potluck and meeting

**Sunday, February 5, 9:00 a.m.** Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, February 5, 10:00 a.m.** "God's Shadow" presented by Steve Vorass (Part 2 of his series.)

**Sunday, February 5, 11:30 a.m.** Mystery Friends kickoff

**Sunday, February 5, 11:45 a.m.** Prairie Book Club lunch and discussion of *The Bookseller of Kabul*.

**Sunday, February 5.** Prairie Fire Deadline

**Wednesday, February 8, 6:00 p.m.** Meditation Group meets.

**Wednesday, February 8, 6:30 p.m.** Midweek Meal

**Saturday, February 11, 5:00 p.m.** Wild Wintering overnight for RE.

**Sunday, February 12, 9:00 a.m.** Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.** Valentines' Day Intergenerational.

**Wednesday, February 15, 6:00 p.m.** Meditation Group meets.

**Wednesday, February 15, 6:30 p.m.** Midweek Meal

**Thursday, February 16, 7:00 p.m.** IHN Volunteer training at Orchard Ridge UCC, 5501 Gilbert Rd.