

Calendar

Sunday, February 18

12:00 noon. Humanist Union potluck and discussion on Darwin and Evolution led by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski and Kathy Converse.
7:00 p.m. "Articulating Your UU Faith" - Adult R.E. Class

Wednesday, February 21

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal
7:30 p.m. Board Meeting

Thursday, February 22

7:00 p.m. Prairie Film Group

Saturday, February 24

Fundraising Trip to Art Institute

Sunday, February 25

10:00 a.m. "Human Rights in Tibet" presented by members of Students for a Free Tibet.
7:00 p.m. "Articulating Your UU Faith" - Adult R.E. Class

Monday, February 26

6:30 p.m. Spanish Speakers potluck at Johnsons'

Wednesday, February 28

6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal

Sunday, March 4

10:00 a.m. "History, Culture and Techniques of War Propaganda" presented by Brian Standing

PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

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Prelude -- Mike Briggs

Welcome -- Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Opening Words

It is a good morning to gather together!

When winter's grip still spreads across the land, and the cold can still seep through our warm coats, we are drawn by the warmth of faces familiar and new, to the welcoming walls of this meeting house. Here, for this hour, we open ourselves to new understandings, reassurance, and hope, for this is a place where truth, love, and service meet. Thank you for choosing to come to Prairie this morning.

*Hymn #203 - *All Creatures of the Earth and Sky*

Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams,
the grandson of Emma Darwin's sister, Margaret (1843-1937)

Chalice Lighting

In this small flame dwells:

the beacons of light that guide our journeys;
the warmth of hearth fires tended through the generations;
the transforming energies of fuels and the solar power of our sun.

May these blessings --

warmth and light and life-giving energy --
be kindled in each of us.

Moment of Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages --

The Tree of Life -- A Book Depicting the Life of Charles Darwin
by Peter Sis

Song as children go downstairs
(to melody of # 400, *Shalom Havayreem*)
Farewell, good friends... Farewell... Till we meet again... Farewell...

Joys and Concerns

Readings from: "The Autobiography of Charles Darwin"

Presentation: "Honoring Darwin" - Rev. Ralph

Discussion

Offering

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

(Additional announcements are in your order of service.)

*Hymn # 324 - *Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads*
(Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams)

Closing Words

Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Our presenter today is our minister, Rev. Ralph Tyksinski and our musician is Mike Briggs. Please join us after the service for coffee and conversation.

#3 -
cash
offer ✓

Announcements

Prairie Fire deadline is today. Send items to prouds@tds.net or admin@uuprairie.org.

Humanist Union will meet after today's service for a followup session with Rev. Ralph and an early look at Kathy Converse's upcoming three-Sunday series on evolution. Join us to discuss Darwin and evolution. We will start with a potluck lunch at noon, followed by discussion from about 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Spanish Speakers will meet for potluck and conversation on Monday, February 26, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Dave and Marcia Johnson, 7855 E. Oakbridge Way, Apt. 2A. For questions or directions call them at 829-0270 or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382.

Prairie's service auction will be on Sunday, March 18. Orange Schroeder will be our auctioneer and pizza lunch will be served. Send services or items offered to Robin Proud.

Playreaders will meet next on March 17 at the Nettletons'. See Prairie Fire for more details.

Prairie Film Group will meet on Thursday, Feb. 22 to view *Galaxy Quest*.