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# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison 53711 http://uuprairie.org Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, Minister

Sunday, November 1, 2009

**Prelude**Music by Helen Bond

Children's Costume Parade

Welcome - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

**Opening Words** 

Hymn # 347 (SLT) – "Gather the Spirit"
Doleta Chapru, accompanist

**Chalice Lighting** 

**Silent Meditation** 

**Introduction of Guests and Visitors** 

Presentation
"Transitions: The Rhythm of Our Lives,"
presented by Helen Bond & Medusa Drums

Reading of the Names

**Sharing of Memories of Loved Ones Lost** 

Joys and Concerns

Offering
Offertory Music - performed by Helen Bond

### Child Dedication Felix Robert Abts

#### **Prairie Announcements**

Additional announcements are in your order of service

Hymn # 346 (SLT) – "Come Sing a Song With Me" Doleta Chapru, accompanist

**Closing Words** 

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Welcome to our service! We are glad you are here. Thanks to everyone who made this service possible. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

### **Announcements**

**Drumming Today!** There will be a percussion workshop today at 12:30 in the "couch room" downstairs, led by Helen Bond. This will be followed by a community-wide drum circle jam at 2:00 pm in the Prairie meeting room.

Green Tip of the Week: Wash your car on gravel, grass, or other permeable surface instead of on your driveway. The grass and gravel help to filter contaminants out of the wash water so they don't end up in the storm sewer. If you can, however, it is an even greener solution to take your car to the car wash: they use less water than washing at home (45 gallons vs 80 to 140 gallons,) many car wash locations recycle their water, and the waste water goes to the sanitary sewer to be treated rather than running off into the storm sewer.

**Humanist Union News** Today after the service, the Humanist Union's monthly meeting will start with a potluck lunch at 11:45 am, followed by discussion 12:30 - 1:30 pm on issues raised by the insertion of religion into the health care debate in Washington, led by Julie Merrill-Quinn.

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**Book Club** The Prairie Book Club is currently reading Here If You Need Me – A True Story by Kate Braestrup. This is the memoir of a middle aged woman who becomes a UU minister after being widowed and serves as a chaplain in Maine's Forest Service. The book club will meet Sunday, November 29th, after the service, at Prairie.

Social Action News On Wednesday, Nov 11 at 7 pm, "Mining and Radio of the Brave" hosted by Womens' Int'l League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) and Madison Arcatao Sister City Project (MASCP) present Barbara Alvarado and Mary Somers who are speaking about protecting human rights in Honduras and El Salvador. The presentation will be held at 825 Hughes Pl, behind McDonald's on Park St., in the Community Room of Madison South Police Precinct. This is a report on MASCP delegation to El Salvador in August and the presentation is Bilingual. The Prairie Social Action Committee, with Andy Somers directing, will present "Seven Jewish Children - a Play for Gaza," at the Socialist Potluck on November 14th at the Wil-Mar neighborhood center. Potluck begins at 5:30, announcements at 6:30, with the play and discussion to follow. The play will be performed by Donna Murdoch, Steve Blank, Dave Johnson, Andy Somers, Marcia Johnson, Barbara Park and Mary Somers, with Bob Park as audio technical director. No admission will be charged, but a collection will be taken for Medical Aid for Palestinians.

Long Range Planning Committee News After the service on Sunday, Nov. 22, Glenda Cosenza, former board president of the Dekalb, Illinois Unitarian Universalist Church will be visiting for a Q&A session about the differences between roles of settled and contract ministers, and the process her congregation undertook when shifting from a contract to settled minister. Please see the related article in the October 22nd issue of the Prairie Fire for more details.

**Spanish Speaker's Potluck** The next Spanish Speaker's Potluck will be held at the home of Prudence Barber, 1104 Mound Street Apt. C, on Monday November 16th at 6:30pm. Please call Prudence at 251-0852 for directions, or Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382 for more information.

Joint Thanksgiving Service at James Reeb, Wednesday, November 25th at 6:30 pm This year, the multi-congregational service on Thanksgiving Eve will be hosted by James Reeb UU Congregation. Please come to their newly-remodeled building and bring the whole family! Directors of Religious Education have planned children's activities during the service. Children will attend the beginning part until after the Message for All Ages *and* a song from the three-congregation Choir before heading off for stories, crafts, and games. A pot luck reception for all will follow the service. JRUUC is located at 2146 E. Johnson Street with plenty of free street parking. If you would like to sing in the joint choir, please arrive at 5:45 pm to rehearse.

#### Prairie Calendar

#### Sunday, November 1, 2009

11:45 am - Humanist Union potluck, presentation by Julie Merrill-Quinn at 12:30.

12:30 pm - Percussion Workshop, in the couch room with Helen Bond.

2 - 5pm - Drum Circle Jam with Helen Bond upstairs at Prairie.

2:00 pm - Spanish Conversation class at Marcia Johnson's home

Tuesday, November 3, 2009 - 7:00 pm- Program committee meets.

### Sunday, November 8, 2009 - 9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "They Just Fade Away," presented by David Pyle.

11:30 am - Board meeting: Potluck at 11:30, meeting begins at 11:45.

2:00 pm - Spanish Conversation class at Marcia Johnson's home

#### Saturday, November 14, 2009

5:30 pm - Social Action Committee presents "Seven Jewish Children" at Socialist Potluck.

#### Sunday, November 15, 2009

9:00 am - Choir Rehearsal & RE Committee meets.

10:00 am – service - "Thinking About Immigration," presented by Rosalind Woodward, John Powell & Leila Pine.

11:30 am- Fall Parish Meeting: potluck begins at 11:30, meeting begins at 11:45.

Monday, November 16, 2009 - 6:30 pm - Spanish Speaker's Potluck at the home of Prudence Barber.

Thursday, November 19, 2009 - 7:00pm - The Housing and Property Committee meets.

### Saturday, November 21, 2009

8:00am - 4:00pm - Trip to Andy Warhol Exhibit, Milwaukee, organized by Pat Watkins.

### Sunday, November 22, 2009

9:00 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "A Prairie Family Thanksgiving."

11:30 am - Special presentation: Glenda Cosenza of Dekalb UU on transitioning from consulting to called ministry. Light lunch provided.

Tuesday, November 24, 2009 - 2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet.

## Wednesday, November 25, 2009

6:30 pm - Joint Madison UU Family Thanksgiving service at James Reeb.