PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

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

Sunday, February 14, 2010

Sing-Along Prelude - "Sing Along With Me" by Sean Chapin performed by Mary Mullen, Paula Pachciarza

Welcome - Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Opening Words - in unison

We are called to gather for the celebration of life as a beloved community.

We are called to set aside distractions and anxieties, that we might touch deeper springs and be renewed. We are called to seek and to share comfort for the hurts that afflict. We are called to desire more love, more justice, and life more abundant. We are called to truth, to mercy, to humility, and to courage. Let us answer the call with the yes of our lives.

Rev. Kirk D. Loadman-Copeland (as published on the UUA Worship Web)

*Hymn #346 (SLT) - "Come, Sing a Song with Me" Karleen Tyksinski, accompanist

Chalice Lighting

As we light the Chalice
May we become at all times, both now and forever
A lamp for those without light
A vessel of compassion for those without protection
A witness for those whose rights are denied
A sanctuary for those in danger
A place of refuge for those who lack shelter
And a servant to all in need.

Buddhist prayer of peace, love and compassion

Silent Meditation

Story for All Ages
"Mom and Mum Are Getting Married!" by Ken Setterington

Joys and Concerns

Presentation: "Standing on the Side of Love," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski

Discussion

Offering

Offertory - "Love and Marriage," with words by the Raging Grannies performed by Metje Butler, Rosemarie Lester, Paula Pachciarz

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Prairie Announcements

Additional announcements are in your order of service

*Hymn #1053 (STJ) - "How Could Anyone" Karleen Tyksinski, accompanist

Closing Words

Go now in peace.

May we strive to practice the deepest and highest regard for each other.

May we truly listen to each other.

May we speak what each of us must hear.

May we be prepared at any moment to be disarmed by our own misunderstandings, and always live as if a realm of love has just begun.

So be it. Blessed be. Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.

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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

Green News For something a little lighter in the green world, have a look at the website http://www.thedailygreen.com/going-green/. Not only do they have plenty of good tips and links for your green news, they also feature a "confessional," where you can confess your "eco-sins." "Welcome to The Confessional: a place where we can poke a little fun at ourselves as we encounter the trials of trying to be green in a modern, change-resistant world."

Coming up soon - Prairie Service Auction The Service Auction is scheduled for February 28th with Orange Schroeder again acting as our Auctioneer. We have several fun items in already, including a batch of fudge, a beaded snowflake class, a ginger summer picnic, a vegan dinner, and an herb cookbook, but we need more items. If you would like to offer something and need ideas, ask Kate Liu or Barb Park. Please get your ideas in soon! (Send them to Kate at admin@uuprairie.org, or call 271-8218.)

RE News The Mystery Friends Potluck has been scheduled for Sunday March 7th, right after service, downstairs in the RE kitchen space. This is where you will have the chance to guess your Mystery Friend and have lunch with him or her. See you there!

Notes from your admin Your admin will be out of town from February 17 through 20. As a result, the upcoming Prairie Fire deadlines and publishing schedule have changed slightly: items will be due to Kate by Thursday the 18th, and the issue will be published on the 23rd. Please send your items to Kate at admin@uuprairie.org. March will bring us back to the usual 1st and 15th of the month deadlines.

Mark your calendars! The Prairie Retreat has been scheduled! The annual Prairie family retreat has been scheduled for the weekend of September 17 - 19, 2010, at the Pine Lake Camp in Westfield, WI. We are hoping that the earlier weekend will allow for more outdoor activities to take advantage of the beautiful grounds and lake. If you are interested in working on the planning of the retreat, please let Kate, Prairie's admin, know.

Ministry and Ministerial Relationships - mini-workshop - 11:30 am-12:30 pm, Sunday, Feb. 21 It's your future - please participate in Prairie's ongoing discussion about ministerial arrangements in preparation for a vote in May about whether to pursue settled ministry. For those members who were unable to attend the January 30 workshop on Ministry and Ministerial Relationships, please join Robyn Perrin and Christina Klock for a brief overview. We will discuss the information that was presented, summarize discussion points, and talk about your questions and perspectives. Total time will be 1 hour or less. Child care is available.

Humanist Union News The next Humanist Union potluck and presentation is scheduled for Sunday, March 7th, with Doleta Chapru presenting on the topic "Gay-Affirming Religious Groups: Good News for Human Rights". Potluck will begin at 11:45 and the presentation will start at 12:30. All are welcome.

Prairie Calendar

Sunday, February 14, 2010

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

Thursday, February 18, 2010 - Prairie Fire items and articles due. Issue will be published 2/23.

Saturday, February 20, 2010 - 5:00 pm - Wild Wintering Youth overnight event begins.

Sunday, February 21, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

9:00 am - RE Committee meets.

10:00 am – service - "The Maharishi Effect: A Personal Journey Through the Movement That Transformed American Spirituality," presented by Geoff Gilpin.

11:30 am - Long Range Planning Mini-workshop.

11:45 am - Book Club meets to discuss Cutting For Stone by Abraham Verghese.

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is personal fitness.

7:00 pm - Program committee meets at Prairie.

Thursday, February 25, 2010

7:00 pm - Caring Committee meets at Prairie.

Sunday, February 28, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "Community Supported Agriculture: A Green Solution."

11:45 am - Prairie Service Auction! Lunch served.

Monday, March 1, 2010 Prairie Fire Bulletin calendar items due.

Sunday, March 7, 2010

8:45 am - Choir rehearsal.

10:00 am - service - "Famous UU's You Must Know," presented by Religious Education classes.

11:30 am - Mystery Friends Potluck - downstairs.

11:45 am - Humanist Union meets for potluck lunch, presentation by Doleta Chapru.

Sunday, March 14, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am - service- "The Alcotts" presented by Robin Proud.

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