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## PRAIRIE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

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

## Sunday, May 16, 2010

Prelude - "Maple Leaf Rag" by Scott Joplin, played by Madeline Arnold

Welcome - Rachel Long, President of Prairie UU Society

### **Opening Words**

"Just living is not enough," said the butterfly "one must have sunshine, freedom and a little flower." --Hans Christian Anderson

\*Hymn #16 (SLT) "Tis a Gift to Be Simple," Doleta Chapru, accompanist

Chalice Lighting - RE students "Open Minds, Open Hearts, Helping Hands"

## **Silent Meditation**

Presentation: "Transitions" presented by Rebecca Malke, DRE

#### **Child Dedication: Welcome Vivian Perrin Thayer**

We want to be part of your world, responsible for guarding your life, your freedom, and your opportunities. Today we also think of the other children of your generation, whose welfare is inseparable from your own. May we make the world more just and peaceful for you and for all those whose lives are to be linked with yours. On this day of great joy and promise, we dedicate ourselves to you precious one, and to all children everywhere.

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Graduating high school senior - Madeline Arnold

## Volunteer Recognition – Rebecca Malke

Butterfly Garden Presentation - Karen Deaton, Green Sanctuary and RE Committees

Offering

Offertory - "Poco Andante," from Duetto I, Op.6, Nr. 1 by Bernhard Crusell performed by Doleta Chapru and Robyn Perrin

## **Introduction of Guests and Visitors**

Prairie Announcements Additional announcements are in your order of service

\*Hymn #59 (Prairie Song Book) "Garden Song" Doleta Chapru, accompanist

## **Closing Words**

May the wings of the butterfly kiss the sun and find your shoulder to light on, to bring you luck, happiness and riches. Today, tomorrow and beyond. --Irish Blessing

\*Please stand as you are able.

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 Tip:** It all adds up. If we each drove our cars 20 fewer miles per week, we would reduce their  $CO_2$  emissions by 107 million tons each year, a 9% decrease. If we improved our cars' gas mileage by 5 mpg, we would cut their  $CO_2$  emissions by 239 million tons each year, a 20% decrease. (Source: Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, 2008.)

**Memorial Service Planned for Mary Lou Diehl** The memorial service for long-time Prairie member Mary Lou Diehl will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 30, at Prairie. You are invited to join the family after the service for a potluck meal and music in the backyard of Mary Lou's home, 5729 Elder Place. You are encouraged to car pool, as street parking is limited. You may bring an instrument, in case the band invites others to join in.

**Retirement Party for Rev. Ralph Tyksinski** Our consulting minister, Rev. Ralph Tyksinski, will be retiring at the end of his contract term with us, on June 30th. To celebrate his years of service with us and wish him well in his retirement, we will be having a party for him on Sunday June 20th. Please contact Rebecca Malke or Aileen Nettleton if you would like to help in planning this event.

**Parish Meeting TODAY! 11:45am**. Agenda items include an update to the strategic plan, report from the ministerial planning committee, election of officers, approving the 2010-2011 budget, a proposed bylaws change, and more. Potluck at 11:30, and child care is available.

**New Member Orientation** A new member orientation is planned for May 23, 25, and 27 (Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. at Prairie. The Hospitality and Membership Committee provides this for new members and those who might consider becoming members as a way of learning about the history of Prairie and the UU denomination and how Prairie operates. We'll answer all your questions and you can get to know a few of the cool people who make up the Prairie community. Please contact Dan Proud (236-2229) if you are interested in attending. We urge you to attend two of the three evenings.

**Margaret Fuller Conversation Salon, Saturday, May 22, 2010, 7:00-8:30 PM** CMwD UU Women's Connection (successor organization to the CMwD UU Women's Federation) is pleased to offer a Margaret Fuller Conversation Salon when we visit Madison for our Second Quarter Council meeting. We will gather with women, share a reading and short biography of Margaret Fuller, then discuss questions that concern UU women--personally and institutionally. The UU Women's Connection will be using our building for their meeting during the day on Saturday and offering the salon in the evening. If you would enjoy hosting a member of the Women's Connection leaders in your home Friday and Saturday night, please contact Dorothy Krause.

**3rd Sunday Special Collection** Every 3rd Sunday of the month, there will be an envelope in the baskets at the offertory for a special purpose. Most often, this "special purpose" will be to support Prairie's commitment to buying groceries for our once-a-month commitment to serving the homeless shelter breakfast, but occasionally it will be for other social action causes. If you would like to contribute to the special purpose, you can place your money in the envelope. If you want your check or cash to go to Prairie, just place it in the bottom of the basket. Thank you for your support of Prairie and its social action initiatives.

## Prairie Calendar

## Sunday, May 16, 2010

11:30 am - Spring Parish Meeting. Potluck at 11:30, meeting begins at 11:45.

Wednesday, May 19, 2010 - 7:00 pm - Program committee meets.

## Saturday, May 22, 2010

7 - 8:30 pm - Margaret Fuller Conversation Salon, presented by the CMwD Women's Connection.

## Sunday, May 23, 2010 - 8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "A Visit from Margaret Fuller," presented by Robin Proud. 7 pm - New Member Orientation.

## Tuesday, May 25, 2010

2:00 pm - Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is "Housing Transitions." 7 pm - New Member Orientation.

## Tuesday, May 27, 2010 - 7 pm - New Member Orientation.

## Sunday, May 30, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal. 10:00 am – service - "Memorial Day: Meditation, Reflection, Memories," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

11:45 am - Prairie Book Club meets to discuss <u>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</u> by Betty Smith. 3:00 pm - Memorial Service for Mary Lou Diehl, at Prairie

## Sunday, June 6, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal.

10:00 am – service - "Reverend Abhi Janamanchi: Faith in the Borderland," presented by Rachel Long.

11:45 am - Joint Board Meeting, outdoors at Prairie (indoors downstairs if poor weather.) 11:45 am - Humanist Union potluck with John Rummel, photographer, presenting at 12:30pm.

## Sunday, June 13, 2010

8:45 am - Choir Rehearsal. 10:00 am – service - "Flower Communion," presented by Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.

## <u>Sunday, June 20, 2010</u>

10:00 am – service - "Father's Day," presented by Nick Abts. 11:45 am - Retirement Party for Rev. Ralph Tyksinski.