# Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

2010 Whenona Drive, Madison, WI 53711 \* 608-271-8218 \* www.uuprairie.org

# "Tai Chi as a Form of Spirituality," presented by Randy Converse.

October 24, 2010



## Today's Order of Service

Prelude - "Three Little Birds" by Bob Marley, performed by Rachel Long, Paula Pachciarz, Judy and Toby Wacker

Welcome and Announcements - Christina Klock

Opening Words – "That the yielding conquers the resistant and the soft conquers the hard is a fact known by all but utilized by none."

Lao Tzu, founder of Taoism,

\*Hymn #313 (SLT) "O What a Piece of Work We Are," Mary Frantz, accompanist

## Lighting of the Chalice

We are the church of the open mind; we are the church of the helping hands; we are the church of the loving heart.

#### **Silent Meditation**

Story for all ages – <u>Bamboo and the Wave</u>, read by Kathy and Randy Converse

Singing the children off to classes "Farewell Good Friends" (SLT #400)

Joys and Concerns

#### Introduction of Guests and Visitors

**Presentation:** "Tai Chi as a Form of Spirituality," presented by Randy Converse.

#### Discussion

Offering & Offertory – "What a Wonderful World" by Bob Thiele and George Weiss, performed by Marcia Johnson and Rachel Long

\*Hymn #320 (SLT) "The Pen is Mightier," Mary Frantz, accompanist

Closing Words #604 (SLT) "A Vessel So Sacred"

\*please stand as you are able.

#### Announcements

**Service Auction Today!** The Prairie service auction is today after the service. Lunch will be available for purchase and childcare is available.

Green News The Intercontinental Hotel in Bora Bora, faced with high fuel costs and higher temperatures, found a unique way to provide air conditioning: the use deep sea water. For more information, visit the website lazyenvironmentalist.com.

Guest at Your Table materials now available The UUSCs Guest at Your Table event has begun. You can pick up a box to place on your table at home, putting a little money in it each day. Boxes will need to be returned on 12/19, when we will collect all the donations and send them in.

Fall Parish Meeting, November 14, 2010 The Fall Parish Meeting and Potluck will take place on Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, after the service. An agenda and materials will be available 2 weeks before the meeting.

Please sign up for Circle Dinners this year! We have a signup sheet in the foyer. After today the Hospitality and Membership Committee will be putting together the Circle Dinner groups, so it is important that you put down your name today! Why be on a group? To find out all the great things that people are doing in their lives (oh, you raise chickens, too?), to have fun doing something together (would you please pass the lasagna?), and to have meals you wouldn't have at home (what did you say that brown stuff is called?). Sign up today! We'll announce Circle Dinner groups on October 31.

**Upcoming RE Events** Mark your calendars for the following fun things coming up for our Religious Education classes: Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, Costume Parade at the start of service; Sunday, November 21, Thanksgiving Intergenerational; Sunday, December 12, Nifty Gifty; Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, Symbol Tree and Santa Lucia.

### Prairie UU Society Bond of Union

We, the members of Prairie, wish to associate ourselves together in a religious community which affirms that we share a common humanity, that we need one another, and that our futures are inescapably bound together. Together we would expand our intellectual horizons, enrich our sensory experiences, and deepen our emotional sensitivities. We would sharpen our ethical awareness and broaden our sense of social responsibility. We would stand tall in our quest for integrity of life, yet not at others' expense. As the prairie stretches out until it becomes one with the sky, let us reach out to touch and be one with the natural world, and with one another.

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## Prairie Calendar

## Sunday, October 24, 2010

10:00 Service Sunday for Religious Education classes.

11:45 Service Auction! Lunch and childcare will be available.

## Tuesday, October 26, 2010

1:30 Prairie Elders meet at Oakwood. Topic is "Preparing written and audio memoirs."

7:00 Adult Ed, part 2, "Designing a Rain Garden," with Judy Skog

# Sunday, October 31, 2010

8:45 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 Service: "A Mexican Celebration of the Day of the Dead," presented by Dorothy Krause.

## Monday, November 1, 2010

7:00 Finance Committee meets upstairs at Prairie; Religious Education Committee meets downstairs.

# Thursday, November 4, 2010

7:00 Prairie Board meeting.

### Saturday, November 6, 2010

9:00 WOW (Prairie's women's group) will meet at Prairie for breakfast potluck and conversation.

10-12 Adult Ed, "What it Means to be a UU" with Rev.

Jane Esbensen.

## Sunday, November 7, 2010

8:45 Choir Rehearsal. New singers always welcome.

10:00 Service- "Respect for the Web of All Existence: How Wicca Affirms and Promotes Our 7th Principle," presented by Rev. Selena Fox.

11:45 Humanist Union - Potluck lunch 11:45 am, 12:30 pm presentation by Susan Hagstrom.

## Tuesday, November 9, 2010

7:00 Caring Committee meets.

## Sunday, November 14, 2010

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service - "Words, Words, Words," presented by Rev. Jane Esbensen.

11:45 Fall Parish Meeting and Potluck

## Wednesday, November 17, 2010

7:00 Program committee meets.

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# Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

#### Next week's service:

"A Mexican Celebration of the Day of the Dead," presented by Dorothy Krause.

