# **Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society**

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# "Veterans Court," by Edward Zapala, Justice Outreach Social Worker for the Rock County Veterans Court

# **November 9, 2014**



#### **Today's Order of Service**

**Prelude:** Performed by Amber Bruns.

Welcome and Announcements – Rick Ruecking

**Prairie Testimonial:** Paula Pachciarz

**Opening Words** 

\*Hymn #1029 (STJ): "Love Knocks and Waits for Us to Hear," accompanied by Amber Bruns.

### **Chalice Lighting:**

We light this chalice
Symbolic of the warmth of community and
The brightness that love brings to the world
Illuminating our search for justice and peace
Light, that force that nurtures all living things
Here in our midst in the flame,
So tiny and so significant.

– Debra Faulk

Story for All Ages: Night Catch read by Ryan Camp.
Singing the Children Out: Farewell Good Friends
\*\*Joys and Concerns

# **Silent Meditation**

**Presentation:** "Veterans Court," by Edward Zapala, Justice Outreach Social Worker for the Rock County Veterans Court.

Offering & Offertory: Performed by Amber Bruns.

\*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn #1012: "When I Am Frightened"

#### **Closing Words:**

"We are at a critical moment in our nation's history. We have to decide as a nation how we are going to take care of our veterans. Will we make room for them in our hearts or will we make room for them in our prisons?"

 The West Wing's Melissa Fitzgerald, the Senior Director of Justice for Vets

#### **Greet Your Neighbor**

\*please stand as you are able.

\*\*please wait for the microphone before speaking; this allows those using the assistive listening devices to hear.

#### Announcements

**Green Note:** Generating enough electricity to cook for an hour in a standard electric oven creates 2.7 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>. A toaster oven creates 1.3 pounds over 50 minutes; a microwave creates 0.5 pounds over 15 minutes. (wwf.org)

Please plan to take a few minutes after this morning's service to vote in a congregational poll that the older religious education students are doing on beliefs about God. Our 8th-12th graders greatly appreciate your cooperation.

**Prairie's Fall Parish Meeting** will be held **next Sunday** after Soup Sunday. We will be discussing and voting on the budget for 2015, and discussing other topics.

**Prairie Book Club** will meet today after the service to discuss *An American Family in Amin's Uganda* by Bert N. Adams. Suggested by Mary Mullen.

**The Prairie Elders** will meet on Tuesday, November 25, at 1:30pm **at Prairie**. For more information, call Rosemary Dorney at 238-4382, or Donna Murdoch at 238-3802.

The Next Spanish Speakers Potluck will be held on Monday, November 17, at 6:30pm at Prairie. All levels of Spanish speakers are welcome, including beginners. Bring a dish to pass if you can – if you can't, come anyway! Please contact Rosemary Dorney (238-4382) for more information or to arrange a ride.

#### 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, November 9, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – "Veterans Court"

11:30 Book Club meets

Monday, November 10, 2014

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Sunday, November 16, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – "Animals and the First Principle"

11:30 Soup Sunday

12:00 Fall Parish Meeting

Monday, November 17, 2014

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck at Prairie

7:00 Program Committee meets

Sunday, November 23, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – Guest at Your Table

Tuesday, November 25, 2014

1:30 Prairie Elders meets at **Prairie** 

Sunday, November 30, 2014

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service – "The Gift of Nothing," by Rev. Sandra

Ingham

Friday, December 5, 2015

5:00 Board Game night

Saturday, December 6, 2015

9:00 PrairieWOW meets at Prairie

Sunday, December 7, 2015

8:45 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Service

10:00 Nifty Gifty

11:45 Humanist Union meets

5:30 Prairie Men's Group meets

Monday, December 8, 2014

7:00 Prairie's Board meets

Saturday, December 13, 2014

12:00 Drop and Shop!

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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:

"Animals and the First Principle," by Christina Klock

