# **Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society**

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# "Religious Education: Guiding Our Children's Search for Truth and Meaning"

# October 18, 2015



# **Today's Order of Service**

**Prelude:** "La Cinquantaine," by Gabriel Marie. Performed by Dan Haug.

Welcome and Announcements: Randy Converse

**Prairie Testimonial:** Rick Ruecking **Opening Words:** Prairie RE Alumnus:

"I believe that I am accepting of differences, interested in learning more about other people/cultures/religions, want to make a difference in the world and other people's lives, want to travel/study abroad, and am always questioning information I receive rather than accepting it at face value because of growing up and still considering myself a UU."

\*Hymn #338 (SLT): "I Seek the Spirit of a Child," accompanied by Aileen Nettleton.

## Chalice Lighting: Prairie UU Alumnus:

"Being around so many other diverse and interesting people who were all, in their own way, firmly committed to social and environmental justice has helped me build and maintain those values in a world that seems to constantly try to chip them away."

#### Story for All Ages

Singing the Children Out: "Farewell Good Friends"

\*\*Jovs and Concerns

#### **Silent Meditation**

### **Presentation:**

Part 1: Reflections on RE Experiences by Alumni

(Kathy Converse)

Part 2: Experiences Teaching RE Children

(Randy Converse)

Part 3: RE-Imagined: The Role of RE in Today's

**Families** 

#### **Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** "Slavonic Dance #2," by Anton Dvorak.

#### \*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn #354: "We Laugh, We Cry"

#### **Closing Words:**

## **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.

Today's tech assistant is Al Nettleton.

## **Announcements**

## **Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is Sunday November 8 to Sunday November 15** One of

Prairie's social action commitments is being a buddy church for Midvale Lutheran as they house homeless families as part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which is part of The Road Home. Please consider volunteering to serve dinner or various other jobs to help Prairie honor its commitment to this wonderful organization. You can call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285) or you can go to this website to find info on the volunteer jobs and a link to the signup grid: http://midvalelutheran.org/share/our-community/road-home

Please mark your calendars and save the date for Prairie's first-ever Flash Flea Market on October 24. "Flash" because it's one-day-only event, and flea market because this will not be a garage sale - it will be a flea-market-style event, with individual "vendors" at their own stations. Prairie members and attendees and their family members can be vendors, and we'll include our R.E. kids as well in several ways.

**Sign up for Circle Dinners** which will be starting again soon. Not sure what a Circle Dinner is? Ask Rick Ruecking or Dan Proud. (Sign-up sheet in lobby.)

**The next Prairie Orientation** will be held on Nov. 14 from 9 to noon in the Annex. Childcare provided.

#### **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**

Monday, October 19, 2015

6:30 Spanish Speakers Potluck at Prairie

Saturday, October 24, 2015

9:00 Flea Market at Prairie

Sunday, October 25, 2015

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 RE Workshop and Lunch

11:30 Committee Chairs meet in the Annex

11:30 Book Club meets

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Sunday, November 1, 2015

2:00 Daylight Savings Time ends: Fall back 1 hour!

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

5:30 Men's Group meets

Saturday, November 7, 2015

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

Sunday, November 8, 2015

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:45 Board meets in the Annex

Monday, November 9, 2015

6:30 Finance Committee Meets

7:00 Program Committee Meets

Saturday, November 14, 2015

9:00 New UU meets in the Annex

2:00 Octogenarian Dinner in the Meeting House

Sunday, November 15, 2015

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

Saturday, November 21, 2015

9:00 Build Your Own Theology

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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:

"Restorative Justice"

