# **Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society**

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# Cloud Cover by Rev. Sandra Ingham

# **January 17, 2016**



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

"My friends, there are some things in our nation and in our world to which I'm proud to be maladjusted. And I call upon you to be maladjusted and all people of good will to be maladjusted to these things until the good society is realized."

– Martin Luther King Jr., Ware Lecture, 1966 General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association

#### Prelude

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Sandra Ingham

# **Opening Words**

\*Hymn #303 (SLT): "We Are the Earth Upright and Proud" Aileen Nettleton, accompanist

### **Chalice Lighting**

Story for All Ages: "Clara and Davie," by Patricia Polacco

Singing the Children Out: "Farewell Good Friends"

\*\*Joys and Concerns

#### **Silent Meditation**

\*Hymn #132: "Bright Those Jewels"

**Reading:** "Acquitted of Universalism," by Rev. Robert R.

Walsh

**Reflections:** "Cloud Cover," by Rev. Sandra Ingham

### **Congregational Response**

**Responsive Reading #569:** Stand By This Faith," by Olympia Brown.

### **Offering and Offertory**

\*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn #308: "The Blessings of the Earth and Sky"

# Closing Words #692

# **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

**Green Note:** Every day our pets are exposed to objects and surfaces containing chemicals. In the house, use green or homemade cleansers, such as diluted vinegar or baking soda. Outside, opt for pet-friendly sprays and oils instead of harsh pesticides, and use pet-friendly sidewalk de-icers. (from www.treehugger.com)

**The Prairie Book Club** will meet on Sunday, January 24, after the service to discuss <u>Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption</u> by Bryan Stevenson. (Nonfiction, 336 pages.) Bring food to share.

There will be a Special Parish Meeting today after the service to discuss the Congregational Study/Action Issues we would like to have on the agenda at the UUA General Assembly in Columbus, OH, June 22 - 26. The CSAIs are: A National Conversation on Race, Climate Change and Environmental Justice, The Corruption of Our Democracy, and Ending Gun Violence in America. The CSAI chosen at GA will be the UUA's focus for four years.

# **Interfaith Hospitality Network Week is January 24**

**to 31** Help homeless families through the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Please consider volunteering to help Prairie honor its commitment to this wonderful organization. Call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285) or visit:

http://www.midvalelutheran.org/share/our-community/road-home to sign up.

**The Prairie Elders** will meet on Tuesday, January 26, at 1:30pm in the Annex. This month's topic will be "Kitchen Stories." Bring a snack to share if convenient. Favorite recipes welcome!

#### **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** Saturday, January 23, 2016 Monday, February 8, 2016 Finance Committee meets in the Annex 2:00 Retirement party for Nancy Schraufnagel 6:00 7:00 Program Committee meets in the Meeting Hall Sunday, January 24, 2016 8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex Saturday, February 13, 2016 10:00 Service – Welcome to the Neighborhood: A 10:00 **Building Your Own Theology** Look at Fred Roger's Life Sunday, February 14, 2016 10:00 **RE PAD** 8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex 11:30 **Book Club meets** 10:00 Service Tuesday, January 26, 2016 10:00 Mystery Friends week 2 Prairie's Board meets Prairie Elders meets in the Annex 11:45 Sunday, January 31, 2016 Sunday, February 21, 2016 8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex Choir rehearsal in the Annex 8:45 10:00 Service – Screen Saver by Rev. Ingham 10:00 Service 10:00 Mystery Friends week 3 Friday, February 5, 2016 Soup Sunday 11:30 6:00 **Board Game Night** Tuesday, February 23, 2016 Saturday, February 6, 2016 1:30 Prairie Elders meets 9:00 PrairieWOW meets Sunday, February 28, 2016 Sunday, February 7, 2016 8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex 8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex 10:00 Service 10:00 Service 11:30 Mystery Friends week 4 and Party 10:00 Mystery Friends week 1 11:45 **Humanist Union meets** Friday, March 5, 2016 5:30 Men's group meets 6:00 **Board Game Night**

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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:

"Welcome to the Neighborhood: A Look at Fred Roger's Life," by Randy Converse.

