# **Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society**

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# "Out of this World: UUs and Science Fiction" **Robin Proud**

# August 28, 2016



#### Today's Order of Service

#### **Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rick Ruecking

Opening Words #417 (SLT): by Barbara J. Pescan

\*Hymn #138: "These Things Shall Be," accompanied by Amber Bruns.

Chalice Lighting #530: Responsive Reading: "Out of the Stars"

**Story for All Ages:** "The Fun They Had," by Isaac Asimov. Read by Robin Proud.

#### Singing the Children Out

\*\*Joys and Concerns

**Presentation:** "Out of this World: UUs and Science Fiction," by Robin Proud.

#### **Discussion**

#### Offering and Offertory

Today's offering will be shared with the Literacy Network.

## \*\*Introduction of Guests and Visitors

\*Hymn #139: "Wonders Still the World Shall Witness"

Closing Words #685: by T.S. Elliot.

### **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.

This week's tech assistant is Bill Parmenter.

#### **Announcements**

**Green Note:** Older shower heads can use 3 gallons per minute or more. New, efficient models use 2 gallons per minute or less. A family of four using low-flow shower heads instead of full-flow models can save about 20,000 gallons of water per year. (worldwildlife.org)

Have you enjoyed your Circle Dinner experiences in the past and would like to be instrumental in helping others have that good experience? Have we got the job for you! The Membership Committee is looking for someone who would like to be the organizer. Rick Ruecking was the organizer last year, so he would be the best person to talk to if you are interested, but you can also talk to anyone else on the committee (Erin Bosch, Heidi Hughes, Dan Proud).

The Book Club will meet today after the service to discuss "Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!: Adventures of a Curious Character," by the Nobel Prizewinning physicist Richard Feynman. Richard Feynman thrived on outrageous adventures. Here he recounts, in his inimitable voice, his experience trading ideas on atomic physics with Einstein and Bohr and ideas on gambling with Nick the Greek; cracking the uncrackable safes guarding the most deeply held nuclear secrets; accompanying a ballet on his bongo drums; painting a naked female toreador. Amazon review, 350 pages.

#### **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**

Friday, September 2, 2016 6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, September 3, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 Prairie WOW

Sunday, September 4, 2016

10:00 Service: In-Gathering Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Sunday, September 11, 2016

10:00 Service

11:45 Board meets

Monday, September 12, 2016

6:00 Finance Committee meets 7:00 Program Committee meets

Sunday, September 18, 2016

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:30 RE Committee meets

11:45 Book Club

Sunday, September 25, 2016

10:00 Service

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in the Annex

Saturday, October 1, 2016

9:00 Prairie WOW

Sunday, October 2, 2016

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Friday, October 7, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, October 8, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

Sunday, October 9, 2016

10:00 Service

Saturday, October 15, 2016

9:30 Craft and Chat

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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:

In-Gathering Service

