

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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“Nonviolent Peaceforce” Randy and Kathy Converse

November 27, 2016

Today's Order of Service

Prelude: Performed by Lynn Currie.

Welcome and Announcements: Kathy Converse

Opening Words:

“It is from numberless diverse acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance.” – Robert F. Kennedy

***Opening Hymn #131:** “Love Will Guide Us,” accompanied by Amber Bruns.

Chalice Lighting:

“Recognition of the inherent dignity and of the inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world” – The preamble to the United Nations Constitution

Story for All Ages: Randy Converse

Children's Recessional

Joys and Concerns

Hymn #388: “Dona Nobis Pacem” Grant Us Peace

Silent Meditation

Presentation: Part 1: What is Nonviolent Peaceforce
Part 2: How it works and successes
Part 3: Current efforts, recognition

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: “No More Genocide in My Name,” by Holly Near. Sung by Lynn Currie.

Today's offering will be shared with the UUSC.

***Closing Hymn #159:** “This Is My Song”

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Closing Words:

“Nonviolence is the answer to the crucial political and moral questions of our time; the need for mankind to overcome oppression and violence without resorting to oppression and violence. Mankind must evolve for all human conflict a method which rejects revenge, aggression, and retaliation. The foundation of such a method is love.”
– Martin Luther King Jr.

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

Our November collections will be shared with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) which supports grassroots projects around the world. These include sustainable housing, clean water, flood victim support, refugee aid, and programs for LGBTI communities in Africa. Our Sunday morning collections will be combined with Guest at Your Table contributions. “Guest” is an annual UUSC project.

Prairie Book Club will meet on Sunday, December 11, to discuss Windy City by Scott Simon. Windy City “captures politics in the multiethnic tumult of today’s big city. The story takes a raft of colorful characters through City Hall corridors, neighborhood restaurants and clubs, weddings, sex scandals, gospel churches, police stations, and sting operations to deliver an ending that is unexpectedly noble.”

Please note the Program Committee will meet at 6:30pm on Monday, December 5, in the Meeting House, and the Finance Committee will meet at 6:15pm on Wednesday, December 7.

Please welcome Ken Lonquist and his troupe for a production of “Old Befana” at Prairie on December 11! “A recipe for enchantment, Old Befana’s warmth and magic stirs hearts of all ages. A special child is coming... but is it rich or poor? Black or white? A boy or a girl? ‘Anyone could be the one to make a better world’, Befana sings. ‘It could even be... you!’”

Nifty Gifty is next Sunday, December 4! Please note the crafting will start at 9:30am. If you’d like to volunteer or donate kid-friendly food and drinks, please see Holly Tellander.

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, December 2, 2016

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, December 3, 2016

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast offsite

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in Annex

Sunday, December 4, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

9:30 Nifty Gifty

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets in Annex

Monday, December 5, 2016

6:30 Program Committee meets in Meeting Hall

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

6:15 Finance Committee meets

Sunday, December 11, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service: "Old Befana" - Ken Lonquist

11:30 Book Club meets

11:45 Board meets in the Annex

Sunday, December 18, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service: Symbol Tree

11:30 Soup Sunday

Sunday, December 25, 2016

10:00 Service

Tuesday, December 27, 2016

1:30 Prairie Elders meets in Annex

Sunday, January 1, 2017

10:00 Service

Friday, January 6, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, January 7, 2017

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 Prairie WOW meets in in the Annex

Sunday January 8, 2016

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union 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:

"Superheroes, Sages and Seers," by Rev. Sandra Ingham.

