Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

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"Exuberance Unbounded" by Rev. Sandra Ingham

April 16, 2017



Order of Service

"Shield your joyous ones." – Anglican Prayer

"Under every grief & pine/Runs a joy with silken twine." – William Blake

"But whatever his weight in pounds, shillings, and ounces, he always seems bigger because of his bounces." – Winniethe-Pooh, describing Tigger

Prelude: Performed by Mike Briggs.

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Sandra Ingham

Opening Words

*Opening Hymn #269: "Lo, the Day of Days is Here," Mike Briggs, accompanist

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Chalice Lighting

Story for All Ages: "Easter Stories," as told by Holly

Tellander, Director of Religious Education

Children's Recessional: by Joyce Poley

As you go on your way, may you be filled with gladness. Go in joy, go in joy!

May fortune bless your day with peace and loving kindness. Go in love, go in love.

Joys and Concerns

Silent Meditation

*Hymn #44: "We Sing of Golden Mornings"

Reading: "Blessing the Blend," by Rev. Jane Ranney Rzepka

Reflections: "Exuberance Unbounded – Spring," by Rev.

Sandra Ingham

*Hymn #61: "Lo, the Earth Awakes Again"

Reading: from The House at Pooh Corner, by A.A. Milne

Reflections: "Exuberance Unbounded – The Dark Times"

*Hymn #344: "A Promise Through the Ages Rings"

Reading: "Easter for Mortals," by Rev. David S. Blanchard

Reflections: "Exuberance Unbounded – Going Forward"

Responsive Reading #628: "Rolling Away the Stone," by

Rev. Sara Moores Campbell

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

*Closing Hymn #108: "My Life Flows on in Endless Song"

Closing Words

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

We will share our offering in April with Friends of State Street Family. On an average Saturday this volunteer powered group feeds 200 people healthy, home cooked meals. They also collect and distribute survival gear to people who can't sleep in shelters because they have used up their allotment or prefer not to stay.

Interfaith Hospitality Network week April 30 to May

7: We're a buddy church for Midvale Lutheran as they house homeless families as part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN), 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. The upcoming host week is April 30 to May 7. You can call Erin Bosch for more information about IHN (238-6285), or you can go to this website for an explanation of the volunteer jobs: http://midvalelutheran.org/serve-share/road-home

Prairie's Family Retreat will be held May 12 through 14 at Bethel Horizons. The Key Log Ceremony will be held at the retreat on Sunday, May 14. Please note there will be a program at Prairie's Meeting House as well.

The Spring Parish Meeting will be held on May 21. We'll hear from the Finance Committee, appoint Board members, and more!

Soup Sunday will be held on April 23, the fourth Sunday.

The Humanist Union will meet on Sunday, May 7, in the Annex. Barbara Park and Ingrid Laas will report on the women's marches in Madison and Washington, D.C. The meeting starts with a potluck lunch at 11:45, with the discussion at 12:30.

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, April 23, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

Monday, April 24, 2017

2:30 History Committee meets

Sunday, April 30, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 RE Special Events

11:30 After Church Forum

Monday, May 1, 2017

6:30 Program Committee meets

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

6:15 Finance Committee meets

Friday, May 5, 2017

6:00 Board Game Night

Saturday, May 6, 2017

5:00 Men's Shelter Breakfast

9:00 PrairieWOW meets in the Annex

Sunday, May 7, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:45 Humanist Union meets

Friday, May 12, 2017

5:00 Prairie Retreat begins at Bethel Horizons

Saturday, May 13, 2017

8:00 Prairie Retreat at Bethel Horizons

Sunday, May 14, 2017

8:00 Prairie Retreat at Bethel Horizons

10:00 Program at Prairie

Sunday, May 21, 2017

8:45 Choir rehearsal in the Annex

10:00 Service

11:30 Soup Sunday

11:45 Parish Meeting

11:45 RE PAD and Field Day

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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:

"Human Being: VERB" by Abby Swetz

