

"Mary Oliver"

April 7, 2019

Order of Service

"What is it you hope to accomplish today, and is it enough?" Mary Oliver

Mary Oliver: played by Paula Pachciarz.

Prelude: "Morning Glories," text by Mary Oliver. Voice: Lynn Currie.

Welcome and Announcements:

Opening Words

*Opening Hymn #1068 (STJ): "Rising Green"

Chalice Lighting: "The Notebook," by Mary Oliver.

Story for All Ages: "Children, It's Spring," by Mary Oliver.

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 #94 (SLT): "What Is This Life"

Reading: "Spring," from <u>New and Selected Poems</u> by Mary Oliver.

Responsive Reading #536 (SLT): "Morning Poem," by Mary Oliver.

Presentation: "Mary Oliver"

Congregational Response

Offering and Offertory: "Breakage," text by Mary Oliver. Voice: Lynn Currie.

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

*Closing Hymn #15 (SLT): "The Lone, Wild Bird"

Closing Words: "The Summer Day," by Mary Oliver

Greet Your Neighbor

*Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

We will share our offering this quarter with the Tenant Resource Center, which provides information and counseling to help resolve tenantlandlord problems in Dane County. The center also provides services to homeless people and those facing homelessness.

We are still collecting household goods and housewares for the Tenant Resource Center and The Road Home. A complete list is posted in the lobby, but in general we are looking for: bedding, dishes, pots and pans, silverware, cleaning supplies, dish and bath towels, etc, or things people need when moving into permanent housing. You can leave items in baskets under tables in the lobby or ask a member of the Social Action Committee for help moving things. Thank you for your generosity!

Add the upcoming Prairie History book release party to your calendar!! It is scheduled for April 27th, here at Prairie at 7PM. If you want to order a book ahead of time, see Mary Mullen.

The Humanist Union meets today in the Annex. This month, the Humanist Union will hear a presentation by Nick Schweitzer and Pat Bober on the book <u>Evolving Brains, Emerging Gods: Early</u> <u>Humans and the Origins of Religion</u> by E. Fuller Torrey. The meeting begins with a potluck lunch at 11:45, followed by the presentation from 12:15 to 1:15.

The Prairie Book Club meets on Sunday, April 21, to discuss <u>Men We Reaped</u> by Jesmyn Ward. The Book Club is open to everyone. You do not need to have read the book to attend.

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.



<u>Calendar</u>

Sunday, April 7, 2019 10:00 Service 11:45 Humanist Union

Thursday, April 11, 20197:00Ukulele Group

Sunday, April 14, 2019 8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex 10:00 Service 11:15 Bakery Sunday 11:45 Board Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 20192:30Ukulele Group in Annex

Friday, April 19, 2019

6:00 Dungeons and Dragons and Subversive Threads in Annex

Sunday, April 21, 2019

- 8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex10:00 Service11:30 Soup Sunday11:45 Book Club
- Thursday, April 25, 2019 2:30 Ukulele Group in Annex

Saturday, April 27, 2019 7:00 Prairie History Book Launch

Sunday, April 28, 2019

8:45 Choir Rehearsal in Annex 10:00 Service

Thursday, May 2, 2019

2:30 Ukulele Group in Annex7:00 Program Committee in Annex

Prairie Staff and Board Members

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Upcoming Services

Sunday, April 14, 2019 "Encounter with the Divine: Part 1," by Steve Hingle.

Sunday, April 21, 2019 "Outlawing Jellybeans and Other Injustices" by Prairie's Children's Religious Education Classes.

Join us for a special Easter treat! RE students will perform an interactive play production titled, 'Outlawing Jellybeans & Other Injustices'. Special thanks to Robin Proud & Aidan Small for directing! In this service, based on the story "The Duke Who Outlawed Jellybeans" by Johnny Valentine, a pompous and power-hungry duke is gently put in place by the people in his kingdom. When we use our shared power in the name of love, we can overcome almost any obstacle. Who doesn't love an Easter Pageant?!

Sunday, April 28, 2019 "Encounter with the Divine: Part 2," by Steve Hingle.

Sunday, May 5, 2019 "A Journey from Pastor to Atheist," by Rob Brink.

Sunday, May 12, 2019 TBA

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.