



"Perfectly Imperfect" by Rev. Matt Aspin

Monthly theme: Vulnerability

UU Principle: 3rd - Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations

Order Of Service - March 5th 2023

Prelude: Sonata K. 379, Adagio by Mozart, arr. Voxman, performed by Amber

Welcome and Announcements: Barb Park (she/her)

Chalice Lighting: Belonging Here *
Rev. Dr. David Breeden
Permission Secured by Soul Matters

When it feels like lament
is the only sound
and need the only way of being,

here is that one warm room,
where you know you belong,
that you know
is waiting, open, ready.

Here is that place you remember
where you are remembered
in this too cold world.

This place calls now, softly:

Come into the circle where you know that you
belong.

Opening Music: #391 SLT "Voice Still and Small",
accompanied by Amber

Story For All Ages: *Perfectly Imperfect Mira* by
Faith Pray, read by our Director of Religious
Exploration, Alice Mandt (she/her)

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.

Silent Meditation

Presentation: "Perfectly Imperfect" by Rev. Matt
Aspin (he/him)

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: Sonata K. 379, Allegro by
Mozart, arr. Voxman, performed by Amber

Closing Words: Vulnerability is a Doorway, Rev.
Scott Tayler Permission

As we go, may we remember
that we were never meant
to make it through this life alone.
Vulnerability is a doorway, friends.
Those wounded and tender pieces of ourselves
help us return to each other.
What seems wounded or unworthy,
when shared,
becomes our strength.
May it be so.

Closing Music: #9 SLT "No Longer Forward nor
Behind", accompanied by Amber

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor

Announcements

For the first quarter of 2023, Prairie will share its offertory collection with JustDane, which runs Healing House, a place where homeless families can stay while a family member recovers from surgery. JustDane also helps people returning to the community from prison with problems like finding housing, a difficult task for anyone with a record. And this is only part of what JustDane does. Thank you for supporting the important work of this agency!

Hospitality Committee

Enjoy sharing coffee after service? Love our Soup Sundays? You can help make it all happen! The Hospitality Committee is looking for new volunteers to help with regular services and events. Reach out to Evan Fisher if you're interested or with any questions.

Prairie Spring Auction

Sunday March 19th at 10:00 a.m.

The annual Prairie Spring Auction takes place in late winter/spring each year and is one of Prairie's major fundraisers. Members and friends offer food, events, services, and other activities and items to each other for a price, and the proceeds go to Prairie. The Spring Auction is a fun way to share experiences and raise money for Prairie. It's also an amazing time to learn about the many hidden talents among Prairie's members, families, and youth. Please watch Prairie News for more information, ideas, and a link to the online form to enter your auction donations. There are also paper copies of the form here today.

Announcements

Service: Sunday, March 12, 10:00 a.m.

"Heart Room: Opening Doors for All Families"

The Road Home Dane County, RISE's Early Childhood Initiative, Joining Forces for Families, and Orchard Ridge UCC will be sharing the story of Heart Room, a collaborative housing program for families experiencing homelessness in our community.

Soup Sunday is today!

Join us after service for a potluck meal. A \$5 donation is suggested. Newcomers, visitors, and kids eat free.



Parish Meeting - Sunday March 12th 11:15 a.m.

We will be having a brief Parish Meeting right after service on Sunday, March 12th, to elect 2 Board Members to fill incomplete terms. The Nominating Committee is announcing the following candidates:

Vice President - Karen Deaton

At Large Member - Molly Plunkett

Karen would be completing the term vacated by Lynn Currie, ending June 30, 2024.

Molly would be completing the term vacated by Karen Deaton, ending June 30, 2024.

Please stay after service for just a few minutes to vote. We will need at least 31 members for a quorum. Thank you. - Rachel Long for the Nominating Committee