



"Heart Room: Opening Doors for All Families"

Monthly theme: Vulnerability

UU Principle: 2nd - Justice, equity and compassion in human relations

Order Of Service - March 12th 2023

Prelude: "Ducks on the Millpond", Traditional/arr. Bruns, performed by Amber

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Matt Aspin (he/him)

Chalice Lighting: "Before we can know where we're going—which is the first question for anything that calls itself a movement—we need to know where we are, who we are, where we came from, and what we care most about in the here and now. That's where the potential for every movement begins." - Alicia Garza

Opening Music: #134 SLT "Our World is One World", accompanied by Amber

Story For All Ages: *Still a Family* by Brenda Reeves Sturgis, 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: "Heart Room: Opening Doors for All Families" by Bruce Olsen (he, him), Meghan Salzwedel (she, her), Jennifer Torres Barrera (she, her) and Mike Bruce (he, him)

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "All of Me" by Legend/arr. Lee, performed by Amber

Closing Words: "All too often we think of community in terms of being with folks like ourselves: the same class, same race, same ethnicity, same social standing and the like. I think we need to be wary: we need to work against the danger of evoking something that we don't challenge ourselves to actually practice."
— bell hooks, *Teaching Community: A Pedagogy of Hope*

Closing Music: #1017 SLJ "Building a Better Way", 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 Needs Volunteers

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.

Next Sunday! Prairie Spring Auction Sunday March 19th at 10:00 a.m.

HAVE SOMETHING TO OFFER? Prairie people look forward to what you contribute. Please submit your auction items by TUESDAY March 14th. Use the online form listed in Prairie Weekly News or fill out a paper form today at Prairie. Check out the display board in the lobby for ideas and browse a list of submitted items. Get ready to bid next week!

Auction Reminders:

- Ask someone to bid for you (proxy) if you can't attend in person on March 19th.
- Donors - Bring your items that go home with winners the day of the auction.
- Turn in your yellow bidder card at the end of the auction.
- Bring cash, check, or or credit card with you to pay when you checkout.

Announcements

Parish Meeting Today

We will be having a brief Parish Meeting right after today's service to elect 2 Board Members to fill incomplete terms. Please stay after service for just a few minutes to vote. We will need at least 31 members for a quorum. 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.

Thank you. - Rachel Long for the Nominating Committee

Newcomer Orientation Today

For visitors and those interested, after the service and brief parish meeting, please meet in the foyer by the welcoming table to gather for the visitors orientation.

Service: Sunday, March 26, 10:00 am,

presentation by MOSES (Madison Organizing in Strength, Equity & Solidarity) MOSES is a grassroots, interfaith, nonpartisan, non-profit organization working for transformative justice in Dane County and Wisconsin.