

# "Transforming Our Community: Let's start with me" by Frank Davis

Monthly theme: Vulnerability

UU Principle: 5th Principle - The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large

#### Order Of Service - March 26th 2023

**Prelude**: "There's a River Flowin' in My Soul" by Rose Sanders, performed by the Prairie Choir, directed by Barb Park, accompanied by Carl Wacker

**Welcome and Announcements:** Pam Gates (she/her)

**New Member Recognition:** Evan Fisher, Ruth Ellen Saul, Lori Knoener, Rachel Knoener, Diana Knoener, Christopher Unger, Ann Sawyer, and Cathy Wendorf Peterson

(Lyrics for "Consider Yourself" are on the back of this page)

#### **Chalice Lighting:**

"Deepening the Spirit" by Cynthia Landrum

We light this chalice, the beacon that calls us: To love

To justice

To a deepening of the spirit

#### Silent Meditation

**Presentation:** "Transforming Our Community: Let's start with me" by Frank Davis (he/him)

#### Discussion

**Offering and Offertory**: "There But for Fortune" by Joan Baez, performed by Dan Proud

### **Closing Words:**

Excerpt from, *The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life* and *Freedom on Death Row*, by Anthony Ray Hinton

"It all matters. How we live matters.

Do we choose love or do we choose hate?

Do we help or do we harm?

Because there is no way to know the exact second your life changes forever.

You can only begin to know that moment by looking in the rearview mirror.

And trust me when I tell you when you never, ever see it coming."

**Closing Music:** #399 SLT "Vine and Fig Tree", led by the Prairie Choir

**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!

#### **Postcard Writing Today After Service**

The Social Action Committee has 150 postcards from WUUSAN to address, stamp, and send out to registered but less regular voters. We'll meet in the lobby after the service today and address them together.

# PUUPs (Prairie Unitarian Universalist Parents) Group Meeting Today after the Service

The whole group (children, parents/caregivers, and childcare volunteers) will start out the afternoon together for lunch. After lunch the parents and caregivers will head over to the Prairie's Annex for conversation and fellowship while the children and childcare volunteers will enjoy activities in the RE space.

### Soup Sunday - Next Week!

Bring your best recipe - or just your presence - and join us after service on April 2nd for a potluck meal. A \$5 donation is recommended, with no donation recommended for visitors and children. Watch for the signup in Prairie News this week. Reach out to Evan Fisher at ev.fish25@gmail if you have any questions.

#### **Announcements**

### Lyrics for "Consider Yourself"

Consider yourself at home Consider yourself one of the family We've taken to you so strong It's clear We're going to get along

Consider yourself well in Consider yourself part of the family We have so much to share. It's plain We definitely care!

If it should chance to be
We should see
Some harder days
In need of a friendly way
Why groan?
There's always a chance we'll meet
Others who will give a hug
With kindness, warmth, and love.

Consider yourself our friends
We don't want to have no fuss
For after some consideration, we can state
Consider yourself
One of us!
Consider yourself

One of us!

# Service: Sunday, April 2, 10:00 am "Braver Angels on a mission to depolarize our nation" by Tom Sinsky

Description of the Braver Angels organization on a national, local and personal level.