



"Will China Spark WWII?" by Ed Friedman

Monthly theme: Creativity

UU Principle: 6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all

Order Of Service - May 21st 2023

Prelude: Air from Orchestral Suite #3 by J.S.Bach performed by Karlos Moser

Welcome: Rev. Matt Aspin (he/him)

Chalice Lighting: "On the Brink" by Leslie Takahashi

All that we have ever loved
And all that we have ever been
Stands with us on the brink
Of all that we aspire to create:
A deeper peace,
A larger love,
A more embracing hope,
A deeper joy in this life we share.

Opening Music: #146 SLT "Soon the Day Will Arrive" accompanied by Karlos

Story For All Ages: *Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale* by Marcus Pfister. 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: "Will China Spark WWII?" by Ed Friedman

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "Allerseelen" (As Once in May) by Richard Strauss performed by Karlos

Closing Words: "Peace in the Heart" by Lao-Tse
If there is to be peace in the world,
There must be peace in the nations.
If there is to be peace in the nations,
There must be peace in the cities.
If there is to be peace in the cities,
There must be peace between neighbors.
If there is to be peace between neighbors,
There must be peace in the home.
If there is to be peace in the home,
There must be peace in the heart.

Closing Music: #148 SLT "Let Freedom Span Both East and West" accompanied by Karlos

Announcements: Rev. Matt Aspin (he/him)

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor



Announcements

2nd Quarter Offertory Sharing: Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development

For the second quarter of 2023, Prairie is sharing its offertory collection with the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development, which provides peer support to men returning to the community from prison through its Reentry and Dignity Housing programs. Nehemiah also mentors kids who need help navigating school and life and offers an acclaimed course for the general public, "Black History for a New Day."

Service: Sunday, May 28, 10:00 am "Moving Towards Peace" by Rev. Matt Aspin

Memorial Day is dedicated to remembering those that gave their lives in war. In addition to honoring the losses, what will it take to create a future where fewer lives need to be lost in the first place?

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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Interweave Meeting Today

Interweave, Prairie's group for LGBTQ+ and questioning folks, as well as allies, will meet today after the service. All are welcome.

Visitor Orientation Today

Curious about Prairie UU Society? Want to meet a few more people? Then, come to the Visitor Orientation today immediately after service. We'll meet in the foyer by the Welcoming Table.

Sunday June 4th - Maypole & Soup Sunday

After the service on June 4th we'll try one more time to have our Maypole Ceremony! If the weather cooperates, we'll have music and maypole dancing in our front yard.

We'll need a few volunteers to stay inside to set up tables, move chairs, and prep service for Soup Sunday. Please start thinking about what you'd like to bring to share. A signup link will be sent to Prairie News. Suggested donation \$5 for adults. Visitors, newcomers, and kids always eat for free.

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