



"Star Trekking Home: Welcoming Ourselves" by Rev. Pamela Rumancik

1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person

Order Of Service - January 7th 2024

Prelude: "Still Waters" written and performed by Rev. Karen Mooney

Welcome: "In Sweet Company" by Margaret Wolff

Chalice Lighting: "Universe" by Thomas Berry

We bear the universe in our beings as the universe bears us in its being.

The two have a total presence to each other and to that deep mystery out of which both the universe and ourselves have emerged.

Opening Music: #128 SLT, "For All That is Our Life", accompanied by Rev. Karen Mooney

Story For All Ages: [The Family Book](#) by Todd Parr

Children's Recessional: by Joyce Poley, accompanied by Rev. Karen Mooney

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.

Reading: Excerpt from *A Closed & Common Orbit* by Becky Chambers

Presentation: "Star Trekking Home: Welcoming Ourselves" by Rev. Pamela Rumancik

Moment of Silence

Discussion

Offering and Offertory: "One Size" written and performed by Rev. Karen Mooney

Closing Words: Excerpt from *The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet* by Becky Chambers

All you can do, Rosemary - all any of us can do - is work to be something positive instead. That is a choice that every sapient must make every day of their life. The universe is what we make of it. It's up to you to decide what part you will play.

Closing Music: #1064 SLJ "Blue Boat Home", by Peter Mayer, accompanied by Rev. Karen Mooney

Announcements

Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors

Greet Your Neighbor

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Prairie's 1st Quarter Offertory Sharing is with the Eviction Prevention Fund of Allied Partners. Allied Partners is a group of churches that support the Allied neighborhood. Prairie has been a long time member of the group. Among the support Allied Partners

provides is a fund available to the Dane County Joining Forces for Families Social Workers in Allied. They help residents who are short on rent payments and may face eviction. The social workers may also intervene with landlords and try to negotiate a satisfactory rent settlement. The Eviction Prevention Fund is unique to the Allied neighborhood and its social workers and a resource they use regularly. This work is in keeping with one of our social action focuses: homelessness.

Service: Sunday, Jan 21st "Love One Another: King James Holy Bible" by Rev. Anthony Wade

This Sunday we've invited Rev. Anthony Wade as our guest speaker. Rev. Wade is the pastor from our neighboring 2nd Baptist Congregation, just down the street from Prairie. His presentation will focus on loving one another and draws inspiration from scriptures of the King James Bible.

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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Service: Sunday, Jan 14th "Answering the Call for Civil Rights"

Beginning in the 1960s there were many from the North who joined the struggle for civil rights in the South including at least four now long-time members of Prairie. In 1965 UU's and others responded directly to Martin Luther King, Jr's call to demonstrate and march for civil rights in Selma, Alabama. For their efforts, two UUs were killed: Rev. James Reeb was beaten to death, and Viola Liuzzo was shot to death. A panel with Bob Park, Aileen Nettleton, Mary Mullen and Rev. Ralph Tyksinski will describe their personal experiences during this time and tell how these experiences directed their actions later in their lives. Lessons to be learned and where we are today regarding civil rights may be addressed, especially in the question-and-answer period after the panel.

Potluck Sunday - Today

Please join us today after service for a potluck meal. We'll need volunteers to help set up tables, move chairs, and prep for food and beverage service. All are welcome!

Our Whole Lives (OWL) - Today

Parent and guardian meeting today, 12:00 - 1:30 pm. Families will meet in the downstairs RE area, where children will stay in child care. Grab lunch if you can at the potluck, bring your children downstairs at noon, then adults will head next door for the meeting. An informational meeting is required prior to registering your 7 or 8 year old child for the program that provides comprehensive, accurate human sexuality education. The OWL program will run from January 21 through March 10 during Prairie's service.

Guest at Your Table Boxes

Please bring your Guest at Your Table boxes back to Prairie. Didn't bring it this week? Please bring your box next time you come. Thank you.