

**"Healing Communities through Kinship" by Mary Sue Reutebuch**  
**2nd Principle:** Justice, equity and compassion in human relations; **Value:** Justice

**Order Of Service - March 2, 2025**

**Prelude:** "Hafan Gobaith" performed by the Prairie Choir, directed by Dan Proud, accompanied by Carl Wacker

**Welcome:** Johanna Hatch

**Chalice Lighting** by Brene' Brown

"Courage gives us a voice and compassion gives us an ear. Without both, there is no opportunity for empathy and connection. If we can share our story with someone who responds with empathy and understanding, shame can't survive."

**Opening Music:** #124 SLT "Be that Guide" accompanied by Karleen Tyksinski

**Story For All Ages:** *I am Love, A Book of Compassion* by Susan Verde, Illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds

**Children's Recessional** by Joyce Poley, accompanied by Karleen

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:** "Healing Communities through Kinship" by Mary Sue Reutebuch

**Moment of Reflection**

**Discussion**

**Offering and Offertory:** "The Ash Grove", traditional Welsh tune, performed by Dan Proud and Kit Reynolds

**Closing Words** by Fr. Greg Boyle

"Compassion isn't just about feeling the pain of others; it's about bringing them in toward yourself. You stand with the least likely to succeed until success is succeeded by something more valuable: kinship. You stand with the belligerent, the surly and the badly behaved until bad behavior is recognized for the language it is: the vocabulary of the deeply wounded and of those whose burdens are more than they can bear."

**Closing Music:** #128 SLT "For All That is Our Life", accompanied by Karleen Tyksinski

**Announcements**

**Joys/Concerns & Welcoming Guests/Visitors**

**Greet Your Neighbor**

(please return hymnals and Orders of Service to the back hymnal cart)



## Announcements

### **Prairie's 1st Quarter Offertory Sharing**

The Catalyst Project, a mutually supportive community for single mothers and their children who have experienced homelessness.

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### **Interweave Collection for Trans Youth**

Cruel laws banning best-practice gender-affirming care have passed in 26 states across the country – thankfully, not yet in Wisconsin. Thousands of transgender youth and their families are being forced to identify new healthcare providers, travel extreme distances, and take on significant expenses just to get the care they need.

Continuing through the end of March, Interweave (Prairie's group for LGBTQ+ folks and allies) is collecting funds to donate to the Trans Youth Emergency Project, which helps families navigate care, offering logistical and financial support. You can read more about their work here: <https://southernequality.org/tyep/>. To donate, click "Give" on Prairie's website and select Interweave from the drop-down menu. At the end of March, we will update the Prairie community on how much we donate.

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### **WUUSAN Postcards - Sunday March 9th**

WUUSAN has sent us 200 postcards that we can write to potential voters re the April 1 election. Come to the Prairie Annex at 11:30 on Sunday, March 9, and write some voter-encouragement messages on a few postcards. If everyone does a few, we'll get all 200 done that day! Thank you!

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### **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!

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### **Next Sunday "Who Is My Neighbor?" Intergenerational presentation by Prairie Youth**

The ancient parable of The Good Samaritan is newly relevant. Our RE students will present a version, complete with animals!

**Just Bakery** will have baked goods for sale after the service next Sunday on March 9th.

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### **Prairie Spring Auction Sunday, March 16, 10am**

Last year, delicious homemade and homegrown treats included: chocolate chip cookies, biscotti, garden vegetables, vegan ice cream, cheesecake, fresh-baked bread, and baklava!

When donating food, consider how you'd like to provide it to the winning bidder:

- Bring your item on auction day for immediate pickup. This is convenient for both you and the winner!
- Offer a seasonal treat or let the winner pick a date for a special occasion.

Submit items through our auction website or pick up a paper form at Prairie. Even if you're not donating, be sure to join the fun and bid on some amazing treats!

**Scan to View Auction Website**

