



## Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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Re: Coronavirus and Mission Peak UU

March 12, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of Mission Peak UU Congregation,

We are transitioning to virtual services starting this Sunday because of the Coronavirus pandemic. This will continue until further notice.

Limiting person-to-person contact will allow us to safeguard the most vulnerable members of our community as well as slow the spread of the virus and avoid overwhelming our healthcare system, as we have already seen happen in too many other countries.

***Everyone in the Mission Peak community should plan to attend services via Zoom***, which works with a computer, smartphone, or a regular phone. Go to <https://mpuuc.org/zoom/> each week for details on how to connect. It will also give information on how we will incorporate aspects of the service such as Joys and Concerns.

***All in-person events at Mission Peak are being cancelled until further notice.*** Each event organizer will evaluate if the event will continue virtually and how that will take place.

If these changes pose any difficulty for you, please contact Shawn ([dre@mpuuc.org](mailto:dre@mpuuc.org), 510-397-8758) for technical issues and Rev. Jo ([minister@mpuuc.org](mailto:minister@mpuuc.org)) for spiritual issues.

Mission Peak UU has incorporated recommendations from the Alameda County Public Health Department, the Unitarian Universalist Association, the CDC, and the State of California to make our congregation and community safer from coronavirus (CoVid-19). Alameda County recommends persons at higher risk stay home and away from crowded social gatherings (including religious services) as much as possible. Those considered at higher risk include:

- People over 60 years of age. The risk increases significantly thereafter and escalates with age, with persons over age 80 in the highest risk category.
- People, regardless of age, with underlying health conditions including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, heart disease, or chronic lung diseases like COPD, as well as those with severely weakened immune systems.



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***If you are part of the worship team*** on a particular Sunday:

- do not attend if you have any respiratory symptoms (cough or runny nose) or fever regardless of the presumed cause.
- while in Cole Hall, to minimize close contact:
  - no hand shaking, elbow bumping, hugging or other contact
  - leave a six feet spacing between people you did not come with
- We will be making sure we have hand washing supplies in the kitchen and bathrooms and hand sanitizer, tissues, and trash baskets. We will be cleaning the door handles.

**Please note - the nursery will be closed and there will be no children's RE classes during services. We will not serve coffee or food.**

Below are a few basic guidelines to follow. We ask that you follow these precautions even if you yourself are not at risk, as many members of our community are at a high risk.

- Wash your hands frequently—use soap and water and scrub for at least 20 seconds.
- Use hand sanitizer by rubbing hands together, until hands feel dry (around 20 seconds.)
- Sneeze or cough into the crook of your elbow or a tissue, not your hand. Wash immediately after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your mouth, nose and eyes, with unwashed hands.
- Regularly disinfect frequently touched surfaces including keyboards, doorbells, elevator buttons and door knobs.
- Avoid close contact with someone who is sick.
- Stay home if you are sick.

We also know that you may be experiencing anxiety related to the circumstances or know people who have been affected. Please contact Rev. Jo Green for any pastoral care needs.

Yours Truly,

Steve Wallcave

for the Board of Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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