WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Beginning a Pandemic

Worship Leader: Paul K Davis
Worship Associate: Kathy Wallcave

Worship Host: Steve Wallcave
Music: Jo Ann Schriner and Knuti VanHoven

Sunday, January 24, 2021 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Beginning

We are very glad that you are with us today and hope you feel our welcome. If you would like to learn more about us and receive our weekly email newsletter, please send an email to welcome@mpuuc.org. We request your name, email, phone number and address. We'd be happy to answer any questions.

Our Mission Statement:

The foundation of Mission Peak is love. We are a spiritual community of open minds, nurturing growth and healing in ourselves and all people. Together we strive to live compassionately and courageously as we work for a nonviolent, just and sustainable world.

We, the Member Congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, Covenant to Affirm and Promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of the conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Order of Service

Sunday, January, 24, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Disinterest, confusion, and denial pervaded. But then, that's how history is made." *-Robert Thomas Lundy*

Gathering Music

Bell Kathy Wallcave

Welcome Steve Wallcave

Pulpitorial Colleen Arnold

Call To Worship Paul K Davis

Welcome Song Turn! Turn! Turn! Pete Seeger — Jo Ann Schriner and Knuti VanHoven

Unison Chalice Lighting Kathy Wallcave

We light this chalice...To remind ourselves to treat all people kindly,
because we are all one family;
To take good care of the Earth, because it is our home;
To live lives full of goodness and love,
because that is how we will become the best people we can be.

Time for all Ages What Does It Mean To Be Kind? Rama DiOrio — Kathy Wallcave

Hymn #306 "Sing of Living, Sing of Dying"
Words by Thomas J. S. Mikelson, music by W. Frederick Wooden

Message part 1 Beginning a Pandemic in 1347 — Paul K Davis

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Kathy Wallcave

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- Mail check to Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation
  P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
  (If you use Bill Pay with your bank, you could use them to mail the check)
- Drop envelope with check or cash in Mission Peak UU mail slot addressed to:
  Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation
  We will be collecting this once per week.
- Pay on line at https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/ with credit or debit card.
  Note we use PayPal for this and they charge us around 3%.

Joys and Concerns
Introduction – Kathy Wallcave
Song of Reflection — Meditation from Thais, Jules Massenet — Jo Ann Schriner and Paul K Davis

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Paul K Davis

Message part 2 — Beginning a Pandemic in 2019 — Paul K Davis

Hymn — #315 "This Old World"
Words an American folk song, melody from The Southern Harmony

Message part 3 — Beginning a Pandemic in 2021 — Paul K Davis

Closing Hymn — #311 "Let It Be a Dance" — Jo Ann Schriner and Knuti VanHoven
Words and music by Ric Masten, arranged by Betty A. Wylder

Extinguishing the Chalice — #456 — Kathy Wallcave
We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Benediction — Paul K Davis

Next Week's Service: January 31 – "Hear If You Need Me"
Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Rev. Barbara F. Meyers. Worship Host will be Drew Wilson. Jay Steele will provide our music.

Kate Braestrup was not intending to be a UU minister. She was happy to leave that for others who dreamed of such things. But when tragedy visited her unexpectedly, she - quite by surprise - heard the call to offer love and solace from the most unlikely source: her own grief. This service will talk about the true stories that call us to be our true selves.

Go to https://mpuuc.org/zoom/ for order of service and how to connect for all services

Announcements:

Sad News - It is with tremendous sadness that we share the news of Jackie Porter's passing this past Tuesday morning. Your expressions of condolence remain welcome and appreciated even if John can't respond as promptly as he might wish. The Family is gathering to consider options for a celebration of Jackie's life and that news will be shared as soon as decisions are made.

Justice Council Meeting Preponed! - Is that a thing? We had to change the date of our bimonthly Justice Council meeting because of a conflict with our Pacific Western Regional Assembly on the 13th. Our meeting is now scheduled to take place on Saturday, February 6 at 3:30. I believe I now have a UU related meeting every Saturday in February, LOL! At any rate - if you are interested in justice - racial, housing, healthcare, climate, etc. you are invited to join us via zoom for about an hour and a half while we review the work of the various justice committees and plan out what's next, offering support and coordination amongst the committees and the with the board. This is the work of the council. This is where we discuss Love Heroes and other community partners (share the plate), common read plans, civic engagement opportunities, our developing climate action engagement program, asylum accompaniment, anti-racism work, LGBTQ+ welcome, and other activities and programs. Want to get involved? Contact me - Allysson McDonald

In search of mental health family support or peer support resources in the larger Tri-City area? Contact Rev. Barbara Meyers, a mental health educator and peer support provider. There are some activities that are available during the pandemic. Email com_minister@mpuuc.org or call 510-796-5722.

We have enabled closed captioning of our services to make them more accessible. It is easy for you to turn it off on your device if you do not need them or make the text larger if that helps you.

The Minister's Daytimer Group meets every Thursday morning at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join Rev. Greg. This week's topic is "Beginnings Require Endings"

To find out more about these announcements see our weekly newsletter This Week on the Peak at https://mpuuc.org.