

# WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



## The High Lonesome

**Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward**  
**Worship Associate: Drew Wilson**

**Worship Host: Graham Bell**  
**Music: Peak Rocks**

**Sunday, February 21, 2021 10:00 AM**  
**Service theme for the month: Love**

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](mailto: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, February 21, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

## Centering Thought

*“If you can see your path laid out in front of you step by step, you know it’s not your path. Your own path you make with every step you take. That’s why it’s your path.”*

- Joseph Campbell

*As people seek out the social settings they prefer—as they choose the group that makes them feel the most comfortable—the nation grows more politically segregated—and the benefit that ought to come with having a variety of opinions is lost to the righteousness that is the special entitlement of homogeneous groups. We all live with the results: balkanized communities whose inhabitants find other Americans to be culturally incomprehensible; a growing intolerance for political differences that has made national consensus impossible; and politics so polarized that Congress is stymied and elections are no longer just contests over policies, but bitter choices between ways of life.*

—Bill Bishop

## Prelude

**Bell** Rev. Greg

**Call To Worship** Drew Wilson

**Welcome** Annette Breingan

**Welcome Song** Will the Circle Be Unbroken Peak Rocks  
*Words: Ada Ruth Habershon; Music: Charles H. Gabriel*

**Unison Chalice Lighting** Drew Wilson

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** Seriously, Cinderella is So Annoying! Rev. Greg Ward  
*The Story of Cinderella (as told by the Wicked Stepmother)*  
*Written by Trisha Speed Shashkin and Illustrated by Gerald Guerlais*

**Practice of Generosity (Offering)** Drew Wilson

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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 – Drew Wilson

Song of Reflection

Fix You

Peak Rocks

Christopher Anthony John Martin / Guy Rupert Berryman / William Champion / Jonathan Mark Buckland

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Rev. Greg Ward

**Music**

Blvd. of Broken Dreams

Peak Rocks

Pritchard Michael Ryan / Armstrong Billie Joe / Wright Frank Edwin III

**Message**

High Lonesome

Rev. Greg Ward

**Going Deeper**

**Closing Hymn**

I'll Fly Away

Peak Rocks

*Alfred Brumley*

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

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Drew Wilson

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**

Rev. Greg Ward

### **Next Week's Service: February 28 – "A Conversion Story about LOVE"**

Rev. Dr. Kate Walker will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Kathy Wallcave. Worship Host will be Drew Wilson. Jo Ann Schriener will provide our music.

It happened, I was converted on the spot and finally got IT! LOVE, the BIG LOVE for all, not a Hallmark kind of Love, but a radical, life changing Love that leaves no one behind.

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

## **Announcements:**

There are two important gatherings you will want to mark on your calendars to save the date: the memorial service for Maria Luisa Macias on Sunday, February 28 at 2:00 pm; and the memorial for Jackie Porter on Saturday March 13 at 10:00 am. Stay tuned to the website and This Week on the Peak for additional information and Zoom links.

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](mailto:com_minister@mpuuc.org), or call 510-796-5722.