WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Loved into Being

A Special Combined Service between MPUUC and the UUA

UUA President, Susan Frederick Gray; Rev. Erika Hewitt, UUA Director of Worship Arts; Rev. Vail Weller, Congregational Giving Director; Jen Haymen, Rev. Mariela Pérez-Simons; All Souls Washington DC Choir under the direction of Jen Haymen, Music Director; Various Guest Musicians as noted;

Worship Associates Rev. Greg and Drew Wilson; Worship Host: Drew Wilson Share the Plate Partners: Darylyn Swift and Don Gilmore, Community Housing Development Corporation

Sunday, March 14, 2021 10:00 AM

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, March14, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

Always choose to heal, not to hurt; to forgive, not to despise; to persevere, not to quit; to smile, not to frown; to love, not to hate. At the end of life, what really matters is not what we bought, but what we built; not what we got, but what we shared; not our competence, but our character; and not our success, but our significance. Live a life that matters. Live a life of love.

Author Unknown

It doesn't matter how rich, talented, educated, cool or attractive we are. How we treat others ultimately tells the world everything about us. Integrity matters.

Author Unknown

Prelude

Introduction Rev. Greg Ward

Welcome Rev. Vail Weller and Rev. Erika Hewitt

Bell Rev. Greg Ward

Call To Worship Drew Wilson

MPUUC Board Welcome Steve Wallcave

Welcome Song "Don't Be Discouraged/Hold On" Women's 8 of All Souls DC: Juliene James,

by Glen Ballard and Chynna Phillips, Loyce Pace, Norah Quinn McCormick, arr. Trey McLaughlin. (©ASCAP/BMI) Rochelle Rice, A. Tianna Scozarro, Melinda

St. Louis, Jennie Wasserman,

and Jen Hayman, director and accompanist.

Unison Chalice Lighting Michelle Wallace

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 "Madam Modifuss," as told by Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray

Share the Plate Community Housing Development Corporation Darylyn Swift and Don Gilmore

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Please donate generously if you are able, in one of these ways:

Mail check to Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation with "CHDC" in the memo line.
 P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
 (If you use Bill Pay with your bank, you could use them to mail the check) If you are making a pledge, please indicate "pledge" on the memo line.

- Drop envelope with check (with "CHDC" on the memo line) or cash (with a note stating for "CHDC") 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 · Choose "Special" as the donation type. Please state for "CHDC" in the message. (Note we use PayPal for this and they charge us around 3%.)

Joys and Concerns

Introduction – Drew Wllson

Song of Reflection "Sometimes I Cry" Shacara Rogers, vocals; John Lee, guitar

Chris Stapleton.

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Rev. Greg Ward

Reading Reflection on the words of Bernard Loomer Rev. Mariela Pérez-Simons

Music "Love's Divine"

Mark Batson and Sealhenry Samuel Rochelle Rice, vocals; ToddSimon, piano;

Romeir Mendez, bass; Dante Pope, drums;

and the Loved Into Being virtual choir, directed by Jen

Hayman.

Message Love into Being Susan Frederick-Gray, UUA President

Going Deeper

Closing Music "Rise Up (for Something)" Nicole Rumeau, lead vocals;

Andra Day youth soloists; Todd Simon, piano;

Romeir Mendez, bass; Dante Pope, drums;

and the Loved Into Being virtual choir, directed by Jen

Hayman.

Extinguishing the Chalice #456 Rev. Barbara Meyers

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: March 21 – "Finding Happiness"

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Drew Wilson. Worship Host will be Graham Bell. Peak Rocks will provide our music.

Give up on all the Gods 'out there' who've promised to save you. There is only one thing that will save you. That CAN save you. And that one thing requires all your acceptance, all your reverence, all your perseverance and all your commitment. People have been looking for it and yet stepping over it. Chasing it and yet being haunted by it since time immemorial.

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

Announcements:

WE NEED "YOU" TO TAKE THIS SURVEY - <u>Please take this survey</u> about our congregational covenant - we need input from more members of the congregation. By the way, we've already incorporated your feedback into one of the statements (ARO), and we're working on incorporating the rest, so take a look at the updated <u>Draft of the Covenant.</u>

We are working on a second covenant - the covenant between our minister and our congregation to be affirmed at Rev. Greg's installation. More about the second covenant here.

Why are we doing all this? Why is Covenant so important? Short answer: To get to where we want to go as a congregation, we need to build trust with each other and our minister, and to reinforce our already-strong foundation with a guide for how we will address conflict and differences. More about Why Covenant is important?

ComCov (Colleen Arnold, Alan Davis, Terri King, Drew Wilson and Rev. Greg Ward)

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.

Find out more about these and other activities by reading our weekly newsletter This Week on the Peak.