WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



A Life Less Ordinary

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward Worship Associate: Mark Rahman Worship Host: Steve Wallcave Music: Peak Performers with UUCC singers, Peak Rocks, Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriner

Sunday, March 28, 2021 10:00 AM Service theme for the month: Re-Dedication

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, March 28, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Whatever the universal perspective one adopts, it is important to recognise that some form of universalism is politically and ethically necessary" - Alison Assiter, philosopher & feminist

"We must accept finite disappointment, but we must never lose infinite hope."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Have great hopes and dare to go all out for them. Have great dreams and dare to live them. Have tremendous expectations and believe in them."

— Norman Vincent Peale

"The friend in my adversity is the friend I shall always cherish most. I can better trust those who helped to relieve the gloom of my dark hours than those who are so ready to enjoy with me the sunshine of my prosperity." – Ulysses S. Grant

Prelude

Bell Rev. Greg Ward

Call To Worship Mark Rahman

Welcome Steve Wallcave

Testimonial / Pulpitorial Paul K. Davis

Welcome Song Find a Stillness #352 Shauna Pickett-Gordon, Peak Performers, words Carl G Seaburg, music Transylvanian hymn tune UUCC singers

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Unison Chalice Lighting Mark Rahman

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 A Little Spot of Courage - A Story About Being Brave

Written and Illustrated by Diane Alber

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Mark Rahman

Rev. Greg Ward

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 P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
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- 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.
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Note we use PayPal for this and they charge us around 3%.

Joys and Concerns

Introduction – Rev. Greg Ward

Song of Reflection You'll Never Walk Alone

Rogers and Hammerstein Jo Ann Schriner

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Rev. Greg Ward

Reflection Jeffie's Ride Rev. Greg Ward

(Excerpts from Elizabeth Kubler Ross)

Music Brave Peak Rocks

Sara Bareilles, Jack Antonoff

Message A Life Less Ordinary Rev. Greg Ward

Going Deeper

Closing Hymn I'm On My Way #116

Traditional African American folk Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriner

Extinguishing the Chalice #456 Mark Rahman

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: April 4 – "What They Dreamed Be Ours to Do"

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Kathy Wallcave. Worship Host will be Drew Wilson. Peak Performers will provide our music.

A hundred years separate their lives, but they both sacrificed much in the way of their own life and dreams so that others could dream and know life. What is the secret to breaking through and transcending our limitations such that, in our wake, others will find a trail where only obstacles and barriers had been? This is an Easter sermon about how death awakens new birth.

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

Announcements:

Mission Peak UU will be jointly ordaining Robert Alex Jensen on June 6th. For more information or to donate to help with the costs of the ordination read This Week on the Peak.

Mission Peak UU is installing Rev. Greg Ward on Sunday April 25th at 1PM over Zoom using a covenant Mission Peak UU members will vote on adopting on April 18th. Yes, We will be voting on two covenants on April 18th. Please read Rev. Greg's article about them at the beginning of The March 17th This Week on the Peak at https://mpuuc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/March-17-2021-This-Week-on-the-Peak.pdf. Even more information about both covenants is also at https://mpuuc.org/building-the-mission-peak-uu-covenant/

For more information contact The committee on ministry or Rev. Greg

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.