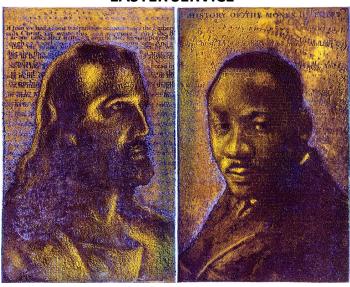
# WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION EASTER SERVICE



# What They Dreamed Be Ours to Do

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward Worship Host: Drew Wilson Worship Associate: Kathy Wallcave Music: Peak Performers

Sunday, April 4, 2021 10:00 AM Service theme for the month: Reflection

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 <a href="welcome@mpuuc.org">welcome@mpuuc.org</a>. 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, April 4, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

## **Centering Thought**

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that."

MLK, Jr.

"Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it. Hatred confuses life; love harmonizes it. Hatred darkens life; love illuminates it.

MLK, Jr.

"As you press on for justice, never succumb to the temptation of becoming bitter. Be sure to move with dignity and discipline, using only the weapon of love."

MLK, Jr.

"When I let go of what I am, I become what I might be. When I let go of what I have, I receive what I need." —

Tao Te Ching

**Prelude** 

**Bell** Rev. Greg Ward

Call To Worship Kathy Wallcave

Welcome Allysson McDonald

**Testimonial** Transgender Day of Visibility Kathy Wallcave

Welcome Song Hymn 358 "Rank by Rank" Peak Performers and All

Music: J.H. Skrine; Words: Carl Seaburg

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 How to Experience Easter Rev. Greg Ward

Written with excerpts from Robert Fulgum

#### **Practice of Generosity (Offering)**

Kathy Wallcave

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

- 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 <a href="https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/">https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/</a> 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 "I Dream a World" Peak Performers

Text: Langston Hughes; Music: André J. Thomas

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns –Rev. Greg Ward

**Reflection** Rev. Greg Ward

Music "Ella's Song" Peak Performers

Music: Bernice Johnson Reagan Rebekah Troxler D'Hand Words of Civil Rights Activist Ella Baker and Michelle Wallace

Message What They Dreamed Be Ours to Do Rev. Greg Ward

**Going Deeper** 

Closing Hymn "Love Has Already Won" Peggy Rahman and Shauna Pickett-Gordon

by Jason Shelton

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 Rev. Greg Ward

Next Week's Service: April 11 – "Can We Afford NOT to Make Reparations a Real Thing?"

Mark Rahman will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Paul K. Davis. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Jay Steele will provide our music.

The old song goes 'which side are you on? There are no neutrals there.' The world around us with all its hate and inability to acknowledge humanity is not one that we can wall off. We are a part of the whole and our lives are intertwined. To do nothing is to make a choice. What is given to us to do is to bring the whole of society into right relationship. If by some miracle racism disappeared, the current and ongoing effects of racism would continue. How can we move forward?

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

#### **Announcements:**

Mission Peak UU will be jointly ordaining Robert Alex Jensen on June 6<sup>th</sup>. 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. For more information read <u>This Week on the Peak</u> or 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.

Annual Yom HaShoah (Holocaust) Remembrance Service on Sunday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. The service is held on Zoom. Advanced registration is required and can be done at <a href="http://bit.ly/YomHaShoah5781">http://bit.ly/YomHaShoah5781</a>. This year, Ralph Samuel will be the featured speaker. Mr. Samuel was born in Dresden, Germany, in 1931. At age 7½, he was sent alone on a Kindertransport to England to escape the Holocaust. At the outbreak of war, he was evacuated to the English countryside to escape the expected bombing.