

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Learning How to Sing the Blues

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward
Worship Associate: Rev. Barbara F. Meyers

Worship Host: Erik Alm
Music: Peak Rocks

Sunday, April 18, 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 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, April 18, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Anybody singing the blues is in a deep pit yelling for help. - Mahalia Jackson"

"The blues is easy to play but hard to feel" - Jimi Hendrix

"The blues are the roots and the other musics are the fruits. It's better keeping the roots alive, because it means better fruits from now on. The blues are the roots of all American music. As long as American music survives, so will the blues." ~ Willie Dixon

"They hear it come out, but they don't know how it got there. They don't understand that's life's way of talking. You don't sing to feel better. You sing 'cause that's a way of understanding life." ~ Ma Rainey

Prelude

Music "When the Levee Breaks" Peak Rocks; Vocals: David Lefkort
Kansas Joe McCoy & Memphis Minnie

Bell Rev. Greg Ward

Call To Worship Rev. Barbara F. Meyers

Welcome Jay Steele

Testimonial / Pulpitorial Fremont Green Challenge Patrick Journey

Welcome Song "Pride and Joy" Peak Rocks; Vocals: Mark Kahn
Stevie Ray Vaughan

Unison Chalice Lighting Rev. Barbara F. Meyers

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 Kinda Blue Rev. Greg Ward
Ann Grifalconi

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Rev. Barbara F. Meyers

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 <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 – Rev. Greg Ward

Song of Reflection

"Born Under A Bad Sign"
Albert King

Peak Rocks; Vocals: Paul Kwinn

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Rev. Barbara F. Meyers

Music

"Broken Bones"
Kaleo

Peak Rocks; Lead vocals: Paul Kwinn

Message

Just Gotta Sing the Blues

Rev. Greg Ward

Going Deeper

Closing Hymn

"A Change is Gonna Come"
Sam Cooke

Peak Rocks; Vocals: Mark Kahn

Extinguishing the Chalice

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Rev. Barbara F. 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: April 25 – "THIS is JEOPARDY!"

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

There are a lot of questions facing the world - and Unitarian Universalism. How well do we remember and understand the past sometimes determines how well we will do in facing the future. (And showing some humility by phrasing our responses in the form of a question)

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

Peak Rocks is:

Jeff Bohnhoff – Lead, rhythm, electric & acoustic guitars; electronic drums & other synthesized orchestration, master sound engineer

Mark Kahn – Piano, keyboards/organ, synthesizer (strings, horns), vocals

Stephen Longfield – Bass guitar

David Lefkort – Vocals, harmonica, hand drums, any percussion other than a drum kit (& occasional trombone)

Paul Kwinn, acoustic guitar, vocals (*a PR original member returns remotely from Washington State!*)

Beckett Gladney, harmonica (*guest on "Pride and Joy" & "Born Under A Bad Sign", also remote from WA*)

Announcements:

Mission Peak UU is having a congregational meeting after the service today to vote on 2 covenants. More information at <https://mpuuc.org/building-the-mission-peak-uu-covenant/>

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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 today.

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](#).

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.