

This Week on the Peak



Mission Peak UU - Fremont, CA The Home of Liberal Religion in the Tri-Cities and Beyond! June 16, 2021

Greetings!

Hello from your Community Minister.

This congregation is very dear to me as I have been involved in it since the beginning in 1992. I've seen it grow from a small group of dedicated people to a congregation of many committed people. The work that I did here was instrumental in my decision to switch careers, go to seminary and become a community minister. Now that we have had our newest called minister Rev. Greg Ward for a whole year, and gone through a pandemic, I see the possibilities wide open before us. A number of things make me very optimistic about our future: our commitment to anti-racism and anti-oppression will allow us to explore our own attitudes and will make us attractive to others who want to focus on these issues; our commitment to continue to offer hybrid live-streamed services will make it easier to retain members who move away as well as distant members who want to join; our high-quality worship services will help us to continue to grow spiritually; our religious education programs for adults and children will continue to challenge and help us to grow in wisdom and knowledge. Looking forward to being with you on this journey.



Barbara Meyers

This Sunday's Service:

We have transitioned to hybrid services because of the Coronavirus pandemic. See

mpuuc.org/zoom each week for how to attend services.

The Peachseed Monkey

What is the Peachseed Monkey? According to writer, Sam Keen, it is that often missing and always sacred point of connection with our fathers. It is the unbreakable bond all-too-often left to our imaginations which names us as precious in the eyes of the parent who reveals and bestows upon us vision, strength and the knowledge that we are beloved.



Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Paul K. Davis. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Peak Rocks will provide our music.

Whether you are attending services in Cole Hall or remotely you can donate money and/or fulfill your pledge in the 3 ways shown below:

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%.

If you are attending services in Cole Hall we will provide envelopes so you can donate money by placing checks or cash in the office mail slot.

Dear Friends and Family,

Please gather with us to celebrate our dear John Landers - his rich life and what he means to each of us - with memories, pictures, and songs.

Celebration of John Landers
Saturday, June 19, 10:30 am
Ceremony and Sharing of Memories

Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation
2950 Washington Blvd, Fremont

Light refreshments will follow

Donations in John's memory are welcome and may be made by check to Tri-City Ecology Center, PO Box 674, Fremont, CA 94537 or at tricityecology.org/donate.



We will provide three ways to attend the service -- via [Zoom](#), sitting outside Cole Hall on the patio, or sitting inside Cole Hall. Our sound system works well inside and outside.

Contact or questions: Russ 510-919-4391, Paula 510-693-9122, Joanne 510-656-8877.

Services in Cole Hall Starting June 20th

On June 20th we will be having a service with worship leaders and congregants in Cole Hall. We will provide three ways to attend the service — via [Zoom](#), sitting inside Cole Hall, or sitting on the patio outside Cole Hall. Our sound system works well inside, outside and over Zoom. Our worship leaders will either be inside Cole Hall or use Zoom to connect to the service in Cole Hall in future weeks.

[Please volunteer to help in Cole Hall, if you are able, so we can have services in Cole Hall after June 20th.](#)

Attendees should be masked inside and outside of Cole Hall during the service. We allow worship leaders, associates, and other service participants to be unmasked while speaking if they voluntarily disclose they are vaccinated and are 10ft apart from others who are not fully vaccinated.

Last Wednesday the board passed a [New Safety Policy on how we allow services in Cole Hall](#). You can also find it in the “[About->Congregational Documents](#)” section of the [mpuuc.org](#) web site. If you wonder how we are trying to keep us all safe as we gather together again, please read it. We expect to continue to monitor what is safe and make changes as needed.

We also have other board policies related to Covid-19 in section 18 of the [board policies document](#), which is also in the “[About->Congregational Documents](#)” section of the website. The outdoor event guidelines in section 18.2 will control how we would be able to have food or drinks outside after the service, or for special events. Contact Steve Wallcave with any questions about either safety policy.

[Please volunteer to help us meet in Cole Hall every Sunday starting June 20th. Contact Jen King to volunteer.](#)

The Sunday Service Team needs your help so we can have services in Cole Hall each week!

This is your chance to volunteer to help us meet in Cole Hall every Sunday starting June 20th. We plan on a self-serve approach to chairs, hymnals and cushions when we start. While we would love to offer our traditional coffee hour after the service, we must prioritize getting volunteers to have the service in Cole Hall first so we will not be serving food or drinks at “coffee hour” until we have volunteers to fill all of the positions below. The following functions are needed to support a service in Cole Hall:

- Pulpit Set-Up/Take Down
- Aesthetics
- Greeters
- Safety Monitor
- Zoom and A/V host
- Key Holder

For Job descriptions see <https://mpuuc.org/services-in-cole-hall-starting-june-20th#volunteer>. Training will be provided.

To volunteer or find out more information please contact Jen King - jenking@alumnae.mtholyoke.edu.

Daytimer's Discussion Group

The Minister's Daytimer Group meets on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. This week's topic "Fathers" – what did we learn from them? What did we struggle against? What did we take for granted? What do we remember? What do we now do because of them? The link to the conversation can be found if you [Press here](#) (Or you can find the link on the MPUUC website and events calendar) Daytimer's will be on hiatus until September when Rev. Greg returns from vacation.

Outdoor Celebration of Alex Jensen's Ordination

Now that Rev. Alex is back in Fremont, we will celebrate his ordination with him outside of Cole Hall, on June 20th at Noon.

Steve Wallcave – wallcave@mpuuc.org.



Save The Date!! – The 2021 Black & White Gala will be held Saturday, November 6th!!

JUSTICE CORNER

ACTIVATION

Follow-up Actions from Treaty People Gathering to Stop Line 3

1. Make your donation to the Treaty People Gathering fund, which will be used to pay off the fines incurred by arrestees as a result of the #StopLine3 direct actions. **Fill out this form to help us track Unitarian Universalist contributions** toward our goal of collectively donating \$100k to the fund.

2. Organize an Action Hour today to tell President Biden: Stop Line 3

3. Train with the Multifaith Network: Tuesday, June 29 at 12-3pm PT / 1 MT / 2 CT / 3 CT - grow the Multifaith movement to Stop Line 3 and create a just transition by attending this training with Minnesota Interfaith Power & Light and GreenFaith. Real cost is \$50, free for those who attended the Treaty People Gathering. - [REGISTER](#)

[MORE INFO](#)

DEADLINE FOR DEMOCRACY

Every day, we're getting closer to a very real deadline to take action to pass the For the People Act: a Deadline for Democracy.

We have been showing up to demand our elected representatives to pass the For the People Act, the John Lewis Voting Rights Act, and D.C. statehood, urgently without letting the filibuster get in the way. click on the link below for more information on what you can do.

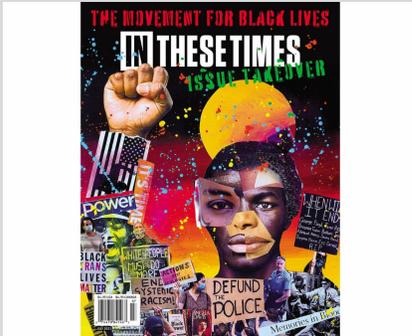
<https://indivisible.org/resource/deadline-democracy-event-toolkit>

Judge Cordell to be Keynote Speaker at the

League of Women Voters' Fremont-Newark-Union City Annual Meeting

On Saturday July 19, 9:30 a.m, activist, fierce fighter for human rights and esteemed Judge LaDoris Hazzard Cordell will talk about her years as a Superior Court judge, the American legal system and her own personal journey which are part of a memoir she's written recently entitled: *Her Honor: My Life on the Bench...What Works, What's Broken and How to Change It*. The book will be released October 5, 2021. You won't want to miss this outstanding presentation! To register go to: <http://lwvfnuc.org/zoom>

ANTI-RACISM ANTI-OPPRESSION COMMITTEE (ARO) RECOMMENDATIONS



In These Times is an independent, nonprofit magazine that, for 45 years, has chronicled and informed popular movements for social, economic, racial and environmental justice. But this summer, they decided to do something new and turn the magazine over entirely to Black Lives Matter leaders.

This new issue is conceived, assigned and written entirely by Black liberation activists and organizers within the Movement for Black Lives. For free copies of the issue please click on the link.

www.inthesetimes.com/M4BL

For more information please click on the link <https://blackvotersmatterfund.org/>

Board Briefs

The board met on Wednesday, June 9:

- [Approved a board policy on in-person services at Cole Hall](#)
- Approved an exception for the memorial service on June 19
- Approved beginning in-person services at Cole Hall on June 20
- Reviewed the logistics for in-person services
- Received a progress report from the Right-Sizing Task force
- Discussed possible reduction in the size of the board
- Reviewed the Ministry Assessment
- Approved a policy on the Minister's Discretionary Fund



The Program Council will meet on June 19 from 2-5 pm.

The next board meeting is on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 7 p.m.

For complete board minutes or other board info go to the Members Only section of our web site at mpuuc.org/about-us/members-only

Into the Light - East Bay Interfaith Community Gathering

As California reopens, everyday life will feel a lot like before COVID-19.

As people of faith, we invite you to join us at MCC in solidarity and support so that together we can remember those lives lost to COVID-19 and celebrate our collective rebirth and renewal.
5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | Sunday, June 27



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Click [here](#) for more information

HUMOR CORNER



If you have contributions to the Humor Corner, please send them to Sandra before 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

ACT NOW!

Call your Elected Officials!

Calls can make a difference! Contact your representatives to alert them to your views!

Representative Eric Swalwell 510-247-1388 or go to [house.gov](https://www.house.gov)

Representative Ro Khanna (202) 225-2631

Senator Alex Padilla (202) 224-3553

Senator Dianne Feinstein (202) 224-3841

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