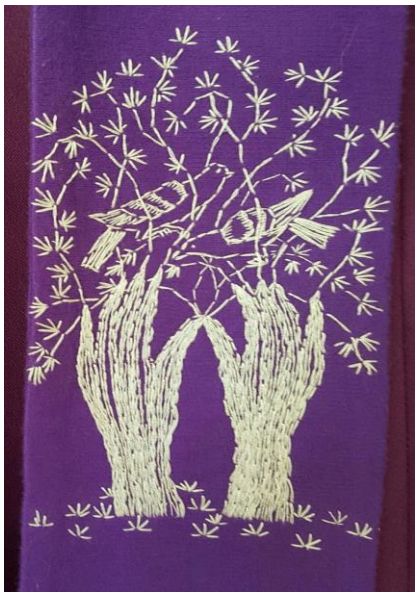
WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Here Is What We Have

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Jeanne Foster
Worship Associate: Paul K. Davis

Worship Host: Graham Bell
Music: Jay Steele

Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Reconciliation

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, August 8, 2021 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Each voice sings its note of eternity" - John Tarrant

Prelude

Bell Paul K Davis

Call To Worship #602 "If There Is to Be Peace", Lao-Tze Paul K. Davis

Welcome Melissa Holmes

Welcome Song #203 "All Creatures of the Earth and Sky" first three stanzas Jay and Jessica Steele
Words attributed to Saint Francis of Assisi

Unison Chalice Lighting Paul K Davis

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 Butterflies Paul K Davis
A Tohono O'odham Creation Account

Testimonial / Pulpitorial Eighth Principle Project Kathi Bayne

Practice of Generosity (Offering) - Summer Collection - ARO (8th Principle Project) Paul K. Davis
Please donate generously if you are able, in one of these ways:

- Mail check to Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation with ARO 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 "ARO" on the memo line) or cash (with a note stating "ARO") 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 ARO" in the message.
  Note we use PayPal for this and they charge us around 3%.

Joys and Concerns
Introduction – Paul K Davis

Song of Reflection — The Islander by Tuomas Holopainen and Marco Hietala — Jay and Jessica Steele

Reading of Shared Joys & Concerns – Paul K Davis

Readings

(1) "Sermon to the Birds" by Saint Francis, adapted by Jeanne Foster from *The Little Flowers of Saint Francis*
Rev. Dr. Jeanne Foster

(2) "Small Kindnesses" by Danusha Lameris
Rev. Dr. Jeanne Foster

Hymn — #1031 "Filled with Loving Kindness" — Jay and Jessica Steele

Message — Here Is What We Have — Rev. Dr. Jeanne Foster

Closing Hymn — #123 "Spirit of Life" — Jay and Jessica Steele

Extinguishing the Chalice — #456 — Paul K Davis

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. Dr. Jeanne Foster

Next Week's Service: August 15 – "Difficult Decisions and Leaps of Faith"
Beth Schaffer will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Drew Wilson. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Peak Rocks will provide our music.

Faced with a difficult decision, such as whether to undergo a medical procedure with serious potential side effects, we may go through layers of thoughts and emotions. But if there's still no simple answer, we may need to take a "leap of faith". What does that mean and how do we use it so we are most satisfied with whatever comes?

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

Announcements:

Pastoral Care August 8-13

Rev. Barbara Meyers will be on retreat from August 8 - August 13. As Rev. Greg Ward will be on study leave, please contact one of these members of the Encouragement Committee if you are in need of pastoral care during this period -- JoAnn Shriner, Don Ramie and/or Julie Ganzlin. Their contact information is available in the Members-only section of the website. For those who do not yet have access to the Members-only section, please email welcome@mpuuc.org and a member of the welcome committee can help you get in touch with them.

(Announcements continued on next page)

Safety Policy for Hybrid Services in Cole Hall

When we have volunteers to support a hybrid service we will provide three ways to attend the service — via Zoom, sitting inside Cole Hall, or sitting on the patio outside Cole Hall. Our worship leaders will either be inside Cole Hall or use Zoom to connect to the service in Cole Hall

Attendees should be masked inside and outside of Cole Hall during the service. **Because it is becoming apparent that vaccinated people can still spread the disease to others, we strongly encourage those in contact with children, and unvaccinated or immunocompromised adults to attend services outside or via Zoom.** 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.

The board Safety Policy on how we allow services in Cole Hall is 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.

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.