WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



What Women Really Want

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward Worship Associate: Beth Schaefer Worship Host: Erik Alm Music: Jay and Jessica Steele

Sunday, March 13, 2022 10:00 AM Service theme for the month: Renewing Faith

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 13, 2022 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"The day will come when men will recognize woman as his peer, not only at the fireside, but in councils of the nation. Then, and not until then, will there be the perfect comradeship, the ideal union between the sexes that shall result in the highest development of the race." — Susan B. Anthony

"I raise up my voice—not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard. ... We cannot all succeed when half of us are held back." - Malala Yousafzai

"Feminism isn't about making women stronger. Women are already strong, it's about changing the way the world perceives that strength." - G.D. Anderson

"You don't have to be pretty. You don't owe prettiness to anyone. Not to your boyfriend/spouse/partner, not to your co-workers, especially not to random men on the street. You don't owe it to your mother, you don't owe it to your children, you don't owe it to civilization in general. Prettiness is not a rent you pay for occupying a space marked 'female.'" - Erin McKean

"You could make a case that, along with the technological revolution, the most provocative upending destabilizing thrilling change in the course of human history is that we're finally in it. ... We're here now, women are in the world, and we will not be bullied." Meryl Streep

Prelude

Bell		Rev. Greg Ward
Call To Worship		Beth Schaefer
Welcome		Allysson McDonald
Testimonial / Pulpitor	ial (Canvass)	Suzette Takei
Welcome Song	#86 Blessed Spirit of My Life	Jessica and Jay Steele
Unison Chalice Lighting We light this chaliceTo 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.		Beth Schaefer
Time for all Ages	Story from King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table Arthurian legends retold by Roger Lancelyn Green	Rev. Greg Ward
Share the Plate	Hope for the Unhoused	Lisa Moreno

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

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

- Mail check to Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation with H4U 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.

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- Drop envelope with check (with "H4U" on the memo line) (with a note stating for "H4U") 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 "H4U" in the message
- Note we use PayPal for this and they charge us around 3%.

Joys and Concerns Invitation		Rev. Greg Ward
Song of Reflection	Rise Katy Perry	Jessica and Jay Steele
Shared Joys & Concerns		Rev. Greg Ward
Reading		Rev. Greg Ward
Anthem	Woman Claude-Michel Schoenberg	Jessica and Jay Steele
Message	What Women Really Want	Rev. Greg Ward
Going Deeper		
Closing Hymn	#1026 If Every Woman in the World	Jessica and Jay Steele
Extinguishing the Chalice	#456 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.	Beth Schaefer
Benediction		Rev. Greg Ward

Next Week's Service: March 20 – "The Color of Law"

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associates Kathi Bayne and Rev. Barbara Meyers. Worship Host will be Graham Bell. Peak Rocks will provide our music.

The conversation around 'reparations' has been a hotly contested and highly polarizing conversation in American Social Policy for over 175 years. In Reparative Justice, we rely on agreed upon evidence to determine whenever someone has been 'wronged' and then attempt to discern what action could be taken by the perpetrator and what benefit could be received by the survivor such that a common reconciliation might be possible. In this service, we will look at 150 years of racial discrimination under U.S. law and where that leaves us in terms of reparations. Announcements:

Safety for those attending 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 <u>board Safety Policy on how we allow services in Cole Hall</u> is in the "<u>About->Congregational Documents</u>" 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 "<u>About->Congregational Documents</u>" section of the website. The <u>outdoor event guidelines in section 18.2</u> 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.

<u>In search of mental health family support or peer support resources in the larger Tri-City area?</u> Contact Rev. Barbara Meyers, a mental health educator and peer support provider. There are some activities that are available during the pandemic. Email <u>com_minister@mpuuc.org</u>, or call 510-796-5722.