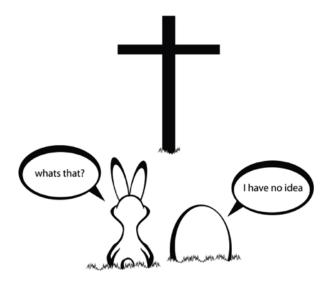
### WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



The Easter Exam

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward Worship Associate: Paul K. Davis and Don Ramie Worship Host: Steve Wallcave Music: Peak Rocks

## Sunday, April 17, 2022 10:00 AM Service theme for the month: Awakening

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="mailto: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 17, 2022 10-11:15 a.m.

## **Centering Thought**

"Most people agree that Jesus taught non-violence. In light of the scriptural evidence, it's hard to deny. Why then has the Christian church accepted a redemption motif that requires God to inflict violence on his son to set the world right? Hasn't this justified Christians being involved in warfare and other forms of violence in society?" J. Denny Weaver

"Humanity emulates the God they worship. That's sort of the point. But if God is worshipped for fixing humanity's biggest problem with violence, than humanity will also be justified in fixing its own problems with violence." J. Denny Weaver

"Many Christians say they wear a cross to show their loyalty and faith to Jesus. But that doesn't make sense. You think when Jesus comes back, he really wants to see a cross? That's like going up to Jackie Onassis with a rifle pendant on." Bill Hicks

| Bell  |   | Rev. Greg Ward                   |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| Call To Worsh   | ip  | Don Ramie                        |
| Welcome   |   | Annette Breingan                 |
| Welcome Sor   | g The Climb<br>Jessi Alexander & Jon Mabe   | Peak Rocks<br>Paul Kwinn, vocals |
| Unison Chalic   | <b>e Lighting</b><br>We light this chaliceTo remind ourselves to treat all people kindly,<br>because we are all one family;<br>To take good care of the Earth, because it is our home;<br>To live lives full of goodness and love,<br>because that is how we will become the best people we can be. | Don Ramie                        |
| Time for all A  | ges The Velveteen Rabbit<br>Margery Williams  | Meryl Streep                     |
| <ul> <li>Practice of Generosity (Offering)</li> <li>Please donate generously if you are able, in one of these ways: <ul> <li>Mail check to Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation</li> <li>P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545</li> <li>(If you use Bill Pay with your bank, you could use them to mail the check)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Drop envelope with check in Mission Peak UU mail slot addressed to: <ul> <li>Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation</li> <li>We will be collecting this once per week. If you have cash to donate, please see a board member</li> <li>Pay on line at <a href="https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/">https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/</a> with credit / debit (note: 3% surcharge).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |   |                                  |

### Joys and Concerns Invitation

Prelude

| Song of Reflection<br>Brandon Ba  | Miracle<br>mes/Zach Blair/Timothy Mcilrath/Joe Principe (F | Peak Rocks<br>Rise Against) David Lefkort, vocals |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Shared Joys & Concerns  | Rev. Greg Ward   |   |  |  |
| Reflection  |  | Rev. Greg Ward                                    |  |  |
| Anthem  | Love Has Already Won<br>Jason Shelton                      | Peak Performers                                   |  |  |
| Message   | The Easter Exam  | Rev. Greg Ward                                    |  |  |
| Going Deeper  |  |   |  |  |
| Closing Hymn  | When You Believe<br>Stephen Schwartz                       | Peak Rocks<br>Mark Kahn and Taunya Gren, vocals   |  |  |
| Extinguishing the Chalice#456Don RamieWe extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,<br>the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.<br>These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.Don Ramie   |  |   |  |  |
| Benediction   |  | Rev. Greg Ward                                    |  |  |
| Next Week's Service: April 24 – "The Interdependent Web of Life of Which We're a Part (Earth Day)"<br>Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Graham Bell. Worship Host will be Graham<br>Bell. Jo Ann Schriner will provide our music.  |  |   |  |  |
| Almost everyone will tell you that they care about the earth. They care about the relationship they have helped to co-create<br>[and re-create everyday] with the other 8.7 million species that cohabitate with us on planet earth. But what does it really<br>mean to responsibly live up to our end of the interdependent bargain? This service celebrates our relationship - and our<br>promise - to the millions of other plants, animals, flora and fauna that make up our creative co-existence. |  |   |  |  |
| Go to <u>https://mpuuc.org/zoom/</u> for order of service and how to connect for all services   |  |   |  |  |
| Peak Rocks is:  |  |   |  |  |

Mark Kahn — Piano, keyboards/organ, synthesizer, vocals, sound engineer Stephen Longfield — Bass guitar, ukulele, sound engineer David Lefkort — Vocals, harmonica, hand drums, any percussion other than a drum kit (& occasional trombone) Paul Kwinn - Acoustic guitar, Vocals Beckett Gladney - Harmonica Taunya Gren - Vocals Announcements:

Safety for those attending service in Cole Hall

Attendees should be masked inside and outside of Cole Hall during the service. We encourage people to wear N95 (or equivalent)which are more effective than cloth or surgical masks. We have such masks available in Cole Hall on Sunday mornings. We encourage people to only come inside Cole Hall if fully vaccinated and boosted. Because vaccinated people can still spread the disease to others, we strongly encourage those in contact with unvaccinated or immunocompromised people to attend services outside or via Zoom.

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 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.

<u>Additional Board Meeting</u> The Board is having an additional meeting on Sunday April 24 at 4:00 to prepare the budget for the congregational meeting. Since Board meetings are open, you are cordially invited to attend.