

This Week on the Peak



Mission Peak UU - Fremont, CA
The Home of Liberal Religion in the Tri-Cities and Beyond!
June 15, 2022

Greetings!

Happy summertime, everyone! I hope to see a lot of you at our Juneteenth picnic on Sunday after the service at Lake Elizabeth! If you haven't RSVP'd yet, please use [this link to do so](#).

I wanted to take this time to thank everyone who was involved in our Annual Meeting. All of you who read the draft bylaws and budget ahead of time, considered them, offered thoughtful feedback, and who participated through the whole thing -- and without even a break for lunch! The care and feeding of this beloved community is a huge job, and the work that everyone does to help is appreciated.



The 2021-2022 Board is wrapping things up for the year, and preparing to pass the torch to the 2022-2023 Board. I'm looking forward to seeing how some of the changes we have made (and perhaps the ones we will make in the future) will make some of the Board work easier for future members.

DeAnna Alm

This Sunday's Service:

We have transitioned to hybrid services. See mpuuc.org/zoom each week for how to attend services.



Juneteenth

Known to some as the country's "second Independence Day," Juneteenth celebrates freedom. Not just the freedom of folks who assumed they were free, but what it might feel like if ALL people were free. The news that enslaved people would be freed after the civil war, took a long time in reaching some communities - especially where enslaved folks were reliant on their enslavers to tell them. On June 19, 1865 news reached the far outpost of Galveston TX. On June 17, 2021, it became a Federal Holiday.

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associates Calista Ames, Kathi Bayne, Rev. Barbara Meyers and Michelle Wallace. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Peak Performers 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 a check 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%.



CIRCLE OF LIFE

Each week, we post the previous Sunday's Joys and Concerns that we were given permission to share. We encourage you to make room in your heart for the hopes and fears of your fellow members. Reach out to celebrate and console those you care about. Here's the [Joys and Concerns](#) for June 12 as well as the prior 3 weeks. If you would like your joy or concern to appear

in the Wheel of Life, contact the Encouragement Committee at ecteam@mpuuc.org

Safety Policy for Hybrid Services 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 [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.

Midweek Discussion Group

The Minister’s Midweek Discussion Group meets on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. This week’s discussion will be thinking about the comparative commemorations of Juneteenth and 4th of July. Understanding the differences between the Declaration of Independence and the Emancipation Proclamation will say a lot about the relative power of those seeking their freedom. The link to the conversation can be found if you [Press here](#) Next week’s discussion will be a lay led discussion about the role music has had in our lives – especially the making of music.

Annual Congregational Meeting Results

The congregation met on Sunday, June 5, 2022 and approved all of the following:

- Changes to the bylaws

Click [HERE](#) to view summary of bylaw changes

Click [HERE](#) to view Red-lined copy of bylaws

- 2022/23 Leadership slate:

President - Suzette Takei

Treasurer - Terri King

Secretary - Gayle Tupper

Trustees at Large - DeAnna Alm, Michelle Wallace, Colleen Arnold

Leadership Development Committee - Kathi Bayne, Valerie Stewart

Committee on Ministry - Alan Davis, Eric Dittmar, John Porter

- The 2022/23 budget

Click [HERE](#) to view 2022/23 budget

- Statement to Support the 8th Principle Project

Click [HERE](#) to view Statement for 8th Principle

For more details or questions email president@mpuuc.org

JUSTICE CORNER

Saturday, June 18 • 4:30 pm

[Poor People's Campaign: Moral March on Washington, D.C.](#)



Any nation that ignores nearly half of its citizens is in a moral, economic, and political crisis. There were 140 million people who were poor or one emergency away from economic ruin *before* the pandemic. Since March 2020, while hundreds of thousands of people have died, millions are on the edge of hunger and eviction and still without health care or living wages, while billionaire wealth has grown by over \$2 trillion. Join the [Poor People's Campaign](#) for a Moral March on Washington and to the Polls. [RSVP here.](#)

[Anti-Racism Anti-Oppression Committee \(ARO\)](#)

Recommendations

Thursday, June 16 • 5:00 pm

[Champions of Literacy: Nikole Hannah-Jones & The New York Times Magazine 1619 Project](#)

Join Literacy Partners as they present their Champion of Literacy Award to Nikole Hannah-Jones and the New York Times Magazine for their extraordinary work of journalism, *The 1619 Project*. Recovering and telling this critical history has created an extended dialogue that is moving our society forward, despite the defenders of white supremacy and their best efforts to discredit the work. [Register for free or donate](#) to advance racial and social justice through adult literacy education.



8th Principle Learning

Article: [“The White Savior Industrial Complex”](#) by Teju Cole



Please join us! All are welcome.
(Please click [here](#) for Flyer)

WE ARE ONE
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Vigil / Rally
Love is Love

We stand in solidarity with the LGBTQ+ community for an inclusive society where diversity is welcomed and respected. We stand against the hate, racism, and prejudice displayed in homophobic policies, rhetoric, and actions. We commit to working for a world where LGBTQ+ people are accepted as full members of society - in our community and everywhere.

Thursday, June 23, 2022
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Paseo Padre & Walnut, Fremont



Board Briefs

The board met on Wednesday, June 8:

- Voted and approved 2 special collections for the summer
- Discussed transition to the new board
- Reviewed and voted on streamlining some of the restricted funds to simplify financial accounting
- Issued thanks all around to the old board



The next board meeting will be via Zoom on Wednesday, July 13 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

For more details about meetings or questions email president@mpuuc.org

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2022!**



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The General Assembly Housing Reservation System is Now Open!

The GA Housing Reservation System offers premium amenities, discounted rates, and the best networking opportunities for in-person GA attendees. By booking in our hotel block, you assist the UUA in effectively controlling meeting space, attrition and penalty fees; all of which directly benefit you and the future of General Assembly. Additionally, the UUA is able to negotiate on behalf of our block of attendees for [sustainability](#) and [accessibilities](#) requirements. Get a head start on your travel plans and book your housing today on the [GA Housing Reservation Page](#).

Dormitory housing at Portland State University and information about home hospitality, if available, will be published in March 2022. [Reserve Now!](#)

Safety and Wellness in Portland

In compliance with UUA and Oregon Convention Center guidelines, entry to General Assembly 2022 in Portland, OR is open to people who are fully vaccinated. Additionally, the OCC's requirement of vaccination extends to all contracted service providers working in the facility.

[Oregon Convention Center COVID-19 Safety Measures](#)

In addition, masking is required and physically distanced seating options will be reserved in our meeting spaces.

Register Now for In-Person GA 2022!
[Registration is now open](#) for in-person attendance.

UUA General Assembly 2022: Virtual Registration Opened March 1

June 22-26, 2022

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Virtual Registration for General Assembly Opens March 1.

Do you enjoy the convenience and accessibility of remote General Assembly participation? GA 2022 again offers virtual attendance with robust programming and enhanced delegate discussion tools. [Virtual Registration](#) opens March 1st.

Multi-Platform General Assembly: Choose Your Platform

In-person Registration is required for all live GA events and programming taking place in Portland, Oregon. In-person registration includes access to virtual content available on the GA app, powered by Whova. In-person registration is the same process for delegates and non-delegates; delegates may register before or after determining their delegate status. General Assembly registration is required for all in-person participants, including in-person delegates. [Register now!](#)

Full Virtual Registration is required for access to virtual GA programming, including workshops, worship services, the Ware Lecture, featured speakers, Opening and Closing celebrations, exhibits, entertainment, and networking. Virtual GA programming will be streamed on the GA app, powered by Whova. Delegates will use the GA Delegate Platform for discussion and voting during General Sessions. Virtual registration is the same process for delegates and non-delegates; delegates may register before or after determining their delegate status. [Register starting March 1](#)

Business-only Virtual Registration provides access to the GA Delegate Platform for discussion and voting during General Sessions. Payment is not required but a donation to offset production and platform costs is suggested. Business-only registrants will access to delegate chat rooms but will not have access to GA programming, the GA app, networking opportunities, or the exhibit hall. GA delegates are strongly encouraged to register as Full Virtual Registrants. [Register starting March 1](#)

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Representative Ro Khanna (202) 225-2631

Senator Alex Padilla (202) 224-3553

Senator Dianne Feinstein (202) 224-3841





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