

Order of Service

Sunday, October 2, 2022 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. — Martin Luther King Jr.

"Never forget that justice is what love looks like in public."

– Cornel West

"Justice and power must be brought together, so that whatever is just may be powerful, and whatever is powerful may be just.

– Blaise Pascal

"When we identify where our privilege intersects with somebody else's oppression, we'll find our opportunities to make real change."

– Ijeoma Oluo

"Prejudice is a burden that confuses the past, threatens the future, and renders the present inaccessible."

– Maya Angelou

'Not everything that is faced can be changed. But nothing can be changed until it is faced.'

– James A. Baldwin

Prelude

Bell

Rev. Barbara Meyers

Call To Worship

Don Ramie

Unison Chalice Lighting

Don Ramie

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.

Welcome

Gayle Tupper

Welcome Song

34 Though I May Speak
Hal Hopson, Words; Trad. English Melody

Peak Performers

Time for all Ages

I Am Love
Susan Verde, Story; Peter H. Reynolds, Illustrations

Storytime

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Don Ramie

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Joys and Concerns Invitation		Rev. Barbara Meyers
Song of Reflection	Lifted in Love Lea Morris	Lea Morris
Shared Joys & Concerns		Rev. Barbara Meyers
Reading	Making Choices During Difficult Times Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University	Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins
Anthem	Jazz Cantate Andy Beck	Peak Performers
Message	Feet on the Ground	Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins
Closing Hymn	1014 Answering the Call of Love Jason Shelton	David Dilorio
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.	Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins
Benediction		Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins

Next Week's Service: October 9 – "Why the Right Get it Wrong and the Left Don't Get it"

Rev. Greg Wardr will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate TBD. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Jay and Jessica Steele will provide our music.

This is part one of a 4 part sermon series on politics and democracy. This one speaks to Capitalism as a special element of democracy and how capitalism has positioned itself to be more important than almost everything else - including health and well being.

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

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 mask (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.

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.