WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Feet on the Ground

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins Worship Host: Erik Alm Worship Associate: Don Ramie Music: Peak Performers

Sunday, October 2, 2022 10:00 AM Service theme for the month: Cooperation

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, 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 Peak Performers

Hal Hopson, Words; Trad. English Melody

Time for all Ages I Am Love Storytime

Susan Verde, Story; Peter H. Reynolds, Illustrations

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Don Ramie

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- 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 check in Mission Peak UU mail slot addressed to: Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation We will be collecting this once per week.
- Pay online at https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/ with credit or debit card (Note: 3% surcharge).

Joys and Concerns Invitation

Rev. Barbara Meyers

Lea Morris

Song of Reflection Lifted in Love

Lea Morris

Shared Joys & Concerns

Rev. Barbara Meyers

Reading Making Choices During Difficult Times

Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins

Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University

Anthem Jazz Cantate

Peak Performers

Andy Beck

Message Feet on the Ground

Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins

Closing Hymn 1014 Answering the Call of Love

David Dilorio

Jason Shelton

Extinguishing the Chalice

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Rev. Dr. Kikanza Nuri-Robins

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. 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 <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 "About->Congregational Documents" 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.

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.