

## WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



### Everything Must Change

Worship Leader: Rev. Connie Simon  
Worship Associate: Rev. Barbara Meyers

Worship Host: Erik Alm  
Music: Jay and Jessica Steele

Sunday, April 30, 2023 10:00 AM  
Service theme for the month: **Beginning Again**

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](mailto: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, April 30, 2023 10-11:15 a.m.

## Centering Thought

*"Everything changes. Everything flows. That which we were or are today, we will not be tomorrow"* Ovid.

*"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."* Harriet Tubman

*"A wise man changes his mind, a fool never will."* Icelandic proverb

*"The greatest discovery of all time is that a person can change his future by merely changing his attitude."* Oprah Winfrey

## Prelude

Bell Rev. Barbara Meyers

Call To Worship Rev. Barbara Meyers

Unison Chalice Lighting Rev. Barbara Meyers

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 Colleen Arnold

Welcome Song Hymn #183 Wind of Change Forever Blown Jay and Jessica Steele  
Words: Sarojini Naidu, Music Johann Hermann Schein

Time for all Ages Homer's Wings Rev. Connie  
Caitlin Cotter Coillberg

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Rev. Barbara Meyers

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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

Song of Reflection *The Times They Are A-Changin* Jay and Jessica Steele  
Bob Dylan

Shared Joys & Concerns		Rev. Barbara Meyers
Prayer		Rev. Connie Simon
Reading / Reflection	Nothing is Static Rev. Manish K. Mishra-Marzetti.	Rev. Connie Simon
Anthem	<i>Landslide</i> Jay and Jessica Steele	Stevie Nicks
Message	Everything Must Change	Rev. Connie Simon
Closing Hymn	Hymn #1074 <i>Turn the World Around</i> Words and Music Harry Belafonte and Robert Freedman	Jay and Jessica 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.	Rev. Barbara Meyers
Benediction		Rev. Connie Simon

**Next Week's Service: May 7 – "Hell No!!"**

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Mark Rahman. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Peak Performers will provide our music.

As a theological thread in the fabric of religion, Unitarian Universalism comes from two separate strands that didn't give much credence to the notion of Hell. Early Unitarians are said to have believed themselves created too good by God to be sent to such a place. Universalists, on the other hand, believed that God was too good to send anyone there, much less create such a place to begin with. Yet the widespread references to such a place - even today - is evidence that many people not only believe in it but are quite willing to tell people to go there. What is a modern Unitarian Universalist supposed to think?

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

**Announcements:**

**Children's Chapel Today, Sunday April 30th.** Our RE Coordinator Ariel is excited to begin some RE programming. Today she will host Children's Chapel during the service, following the Time for all Ages we will invite any children present to head outside. This will be a monthly event. Email Ariel at [dre@mpuuc.org](mailto:dre@mpuuc.org) if you want to help or have questions..

**SPIRITUAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY AND SERMON WRITING FOR FUN AND PROPHET - May 11 and May 18 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**

In this annual class, Rev. Greg will encourage all participants to explore stories from within their own lives that may have universal life lessons. What are the powerful stories of your life that taught you your most valuable truths? We will both explore these stories with the group and we will find out more about turning them into a compelling sermon – or part of a service with others. [SIGN UP HERE](#) or contact Rev. Greg for more information.

**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](mailto:com_minister@mpuuc.org), or call 510-796-5722.