

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



The Sky is Falling! The Sky is Falling!

Worship Leader: Rev. Paul Langston-Daley
Worship Associate: Kathi Bayne

Worship Host: Graham Bell
Music: Peak Performers

Sunday, July 2, 2023 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Visiting

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, July 2, 2023 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

“Those who can make you believe absurdities can make you commit atrocities.” – Voltaire

“Love him and let him love you. Do you think anything else under heaven really matters?” – James Baldwin

“My silences had not protected me. Your silence will not protect you.” – Audre Lorde

“We need, in every community, a group of angelic troublemakers.” – Bayard Rustin

“The Lord is my Shepherd and he knows I’m gay.” – Troy Perry

Prelude

Bell Rev. Barbara Meyers

Call To Worship Kathi Bayne

Unison Chalice Lighting Kathi Bayne

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 Valerie Stewart

Welcome Song Dr. Joseph Rivers, piano
Gentle Angry People
Words and music by Holly Near; arr: Patrick L. Ricky

Time for all Ages Storyteller
Chicken Little
This is a read along/read aloud story time of the famous children’s story.

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Kathi Bayne

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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

Music for Reflection Shauna Pickett-Gordon
Once to Every Soul and Nation
Music by Thomas John Williams

Shared Joys & Concerns Rev. Barbara Meyers

Reading / Reflection from 'Questions sur les miracles' (1765) Rev. Paul Langston-Daley
Voltaire

Anthem Draw the Circle Wide Peak Performers
Words by Gordon Light; Music by Mark A. Miller

Message The Sky is Falling! The Sky is Falling! Rev. Paul Langston-Daley

Closing Hymn #163: For the Earth Forever Turning Peak Performers
Words and music Kim Oler; arr: Nick Page

Extinguishing the Chalice #456 Kathi Bayne
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. Paul Langston-Daley

Next Week's Service: July 9 – "Poetry - Love's Longing to be Known"

MPUUC Poetry Group will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Mark Rahman. Worship Host will be David Gibbons. Jay Steele will provide our music.

For almost 7 years a group of people from MPUUC have met twice a month (for the last three years there have been two groups) to read poetry. Reading poetry, as one poet once said, is like 'opening your soul to 9 centimeters'. Longings, lament, wonder, wisdom, joy and sorrow spill out and are held by the group to see what meaning can be made. But, really, more than the words, we hold one another with our best attention. This service will have members of the poetry groups sharing the poems they think of when they think of Mission Peak.

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

Announcements:

Spit and Polish Party, Friday, July 7th 9:30-11:30am and Saturday, August 5th, 9:30-11:30 AM

In case you missed this invite in the Week on the Peak, we hope you'll look at your calendar and consider sharing some of your valuable time to tend to our physical space at 2950 Washington Blvd on ONE of the days we've planned to gather.

No actual spit will be used in these efforts- we're being silly, it's just your standard spring cleaning work party:)

Come lend a hand to help tend to the care and keeping of our physical home in Cole Hall. Various projects have been identified and the tools will be supplied. All you need to do is pick a day to come and follow [this link](#) to sign up for a task or two. Many hands make work light! Help us spruce up the space in anticipation of the new congregational year that begins July 1st. Questions? Reach out to Graham or Ariel who are collaborating on these work parties.

Children's Chapel - Today and every second Sunday of the month Meet in the service, following the Time for all Ages, any children present will circle up outdoors for a special program just for them. We'll sing some songs, share our "Glads and Sads", read a story, and then enjoy some free play, which will invariably include watering the garden. Parents / grandparents / caregivers are welcome to join us or stay in the service. [For more information email our religious education coordinator Ariel.](#)

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.