

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Connecting the Congregation

Worship Leader: Sharon Davis
Worship Associate: Beth Schaefer

Worship Host: David Gibbons
Music: Peak Performers

Sunday, September 3, 2023 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Dedication

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, September 3, 2023 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

“Systems of cells with specialized functions, communicating with each other through short- and long-range messages, can achieve powerful physiological functions that individual cells cannot achieve—for example, the healing of wounds, the signaling of metabolic states, sentience, cognition, homeostasis, immunity. The human body functions as a citizenship of cooperating cells.”
- Siddhartha Mukherjee

Prelude

Bell Sharon Davis

Call To Worship Beth Schaefer

Unison Chalice Lighting Beth Schaefer

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 Beth Schaefer

Welcome Song Hymn #121 We'll Build a Land Peak Performers
Words: Barbara Zanotti, Music: Carolyn McDade

Time for all Ages Sesame Street Community Song Mickey Guyton

Testimonial / Pulpitorial Don Ramie

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Beth Schaefer

Please donate generously if you are able, in one of these ways:

- 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 Sharon Davis

Song of Reflection You'll Never Walk Alone Jo Ann Schriener
Rogers and Hammerstein

Shared Joys & Concerns

Beth Schaefer and Sharon Davis

Reading

We Need One Another
George E. Odell

Sharon Davis

Anthem

Love Has Already Won
Words and Music: Jason Shelton

Peak Performers

Message

Connecting the Congregation

Sharon Davis

Closing Hymn

Hymn # 131 Love Will Guide Us
Words: Sally Rogers, Music: Traditional

Peak Performers

Extinguishing the Chalice

#456

Beth Schaefer

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

Sharon Davis

Next Week's Service: September 10 – "When Water Communion Meets Pet Blessing"

Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Ariel Smith-Iyer. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Jay and Jessica Steele will provide our music.

In this year's annual ingathering service, we're going to invite the beloved non-humans in our household to recognize and celebrate the thing that all living things need more than anything else: Water. Plan to bring your pet to church and we will explore how our animals help us to be more loving and humane.

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

Announcements:

The BOUTIQUE at Mission Peak is coming - it is **LOCALLY SOURCED CRAFTS AND HANDMADE GOODS FOR SALE**
OCTOBER 14, 2023 SATURDAY 10:00 - 3:00 COLE HALL

We want this to be a successful opportunity for the community to see the vibrancy of the Mission Peak Community. We are inviting crafters from all over Alameda County to sell their wares, do you have a crafter friend you can invite to participate? Will you donate items for Mission Peak to sell? Or, can you help us with the logistics for the Boutique? Please use the form in the chat or next week's Week on the Peak to sign up!

If anyone has questions, please reach out and email Valerie Stewart at valerieMPUUC@gmail.com or text/call at 510-673-4287. We are always Better Together!!

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. Email com_minister@mpuuc.org, or call 510-796-5722.