

## WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



### Three Suggestions for the New Year

Worship Leader: Rev. Jim McKinley

Worship Associate: Paul K. Davis

Worship Host: Erik Alm

Music: Peak Performers

**Sunday, January 7, 2024 10:00 AM**

**Service theme for the month: Epiphany**

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, January 7, 2024 10-11:15 a.m.

## Centering Thoughts

- “Everybody has their own story; everybody has their own journey.” - Thalia*  
*“We don’t receive wisdom; we must discover it for ourselves after a journey that no one can take for us or spare us.” -Marcel Proust*  
*“Let your joy be in your journey - not in some distant goal.” - Tim Cook*  
*“The only journey is the one within.” - Rainer Maria Rilke*  
*“One of the oldest human needs is having someone to wonder where you are when you don’t come home at night.” -Margaret Mead*  
*“God is at home, it is we who have gone out for a walk.” - Meister Eckhart*

Prelude		Von Bringhurst
Bell		Rev. Jim McKinley
Call To Worship		Von Bringhurst
Chalice Lighting		Paul K. Davis
Welcome		Jay Steele
Welcome Song	No.56: “Bells in the High Tower” words: Howard Box, music: Hungarian carol	Congregation and Peak Performers
Time for all Ages	The Beautiful Tiger by Chris Buice	Rev. Jim McKinley
Practice of Generosity (Offering)		Paul K. Davis
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Joys and Concerns Invitation		Rev. Jim McKinley
Musical Interlude		Von Bringhurst
Shared Joys & Concerns		Rev. Jim McKinley
Reading / Reflection	from “The Power of Myth”	Rev. Jim McKinley

By Joseph Campbell with Bill Moyers

<b>Anthem</b>	Ring Out Wild Bells words: Alfred Lord Tennyson arrangement: V. Bringhurst	Peak Performers
<b>Message</b>	Three Suggestions for the New Year	Rev. Jim McKinley
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	No.259: "We Three Kings of Orient Are" Words and music: John Henry Hopkins, Jr.	Congregation and Peak Performers
<b>Extinguishing the Chalice</b>	#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.	Paul K. Davis
<b>Benediction</b>		Rev. Jim McKinley

**Next Week's Service: January 14 – "Farewells, Appreciations, and Welcome Home!"**

Rev. Jim McKinley will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Rev. Greg Ward. Worship Host will be Graham Bell. Jay Steele will provide our music.

This will be Rev. Jim's last Sunday and Rev. Greg's Welcome Home to Mission Peak!

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

**Announcements:**

**Remember - GUEST AT YOUR TABLE** . Today is our final collection date for this year's campaign to support the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee

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