WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



"Jeremias Reproaching", by Dominique Antoine Magaud [1817 - 1899]

Blame

Worship Leader: Paul K. Davis
Worship Associate: Drew Wilson

Worship Host: Erik Alm
Music: Jo Ann Schriner, Knuti VanHoven

Sunday, May 26, 2024 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Reverence

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, May 26, 2024 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thoughts

"You all have transgressed." -- Jeremiah
"Both sides are wrong." -- Demosthenes
"Judge not, that ye be not judged." -- Jesus
"I didn't do it." -- Neil Simon

Prelude

Bell — Paul K. Davis

Call To Worship — Drew Wilson

Chalice Lighting — Drew Wilson

Welcome — Beth Schaefer

Welcome Song — #186 Grieve Not Your Heart — Knuti VanHoven, vocals
Words, Confucius & John Andrew Storey; Music, Kentucky Harmony — Jo Ann Schriner, piano

Time for all Ages — How to apologize — Drew Wilson
David LaRochelle and Mike Wohnoutka

Practice of Generosity (Offering) — Drew Wilson
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 — Paul K. Davis

Song of Reflection — You Are Not Alone — Jo Ann Schriner, piano
Stephen Sondheim — Knuti VanHoven, vocals

Shared Joys & Concerns — Paul K. Davis

Readings and Reflections — Selections with Commentary — Paul K. Davis
Jeremiah, Demosthenes, Jesus, Neil Simon

Anthem	Your Fault Stephen Sondheim	Knuti VanHoven, vocals Jo Ann Schriner, piano
Message	Blame	Paul K. Davis
Closing Hymn	#134 Our World Is One World Cecily Taylor	Knuti VanHoven, vocals Jo Ann Schriner, piano
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.	Drew Wilson
Benediction		Paul K. Davis

Next Week's Service: June 2 – "Flower Communion Celebration"

Rev. Greg Ward and Ariel Smith-Iyer will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Drew Wilson. Worship Host will be Steve Walllcave. Von Bringhurst and Peak Performers will provide our music.

This year marks the 101st year since Norbert Capek introduced the Flower Celebration in Prague Czechoslovakia as a response to the build up of authoritarianism in the region. Capek took a very simple observation of his daughter noticing the diversity of flowers in the area and how beautiful they looked together in a bouquet. He then built it into one of the most powerful and lasting rituals Unitarianism recognizes. Please come to the service and bring a flower - or something from your garden - that represents or symbolizes your part in the bouquet that is MPUUC.

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

Announcements:

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.