WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



A Religious Experience

Worship Leader: Don Ramie **Worship Host: Erik Alm**
Sharon Davis: Sharon Davis **Music: Peak Performers**

Sunday, September 1, 2024 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Celebration

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 1, 2024 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience.

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

Prelude

Bell — Don Ramie

Call To Worship — Sharon Davis

Chalice Lighting — Sharon Davis

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 live full of goodness and love, because that is
How we will become the best people we can be.

Welcome — Michelle Wallace

Welcome Song — Hymn #8 Mother Spirit, Father Spirit, Norbert F. Capek — Peak Performers

Time for all Ages — "The Crayon Box That Talked" Shane DeRolf — Dream Presents video

Practice of Generosity (Offering) — Sharon Davis

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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 — Don Ramie

Song of Reflection — Gregorian Chant — Peak Performers

Shared Joys & Concerns — Don Ramie

Reading / Reflection — Quotes from Hildegard of Bingen — Don Ramie

Anthem	Brother James's Air (Psalm 23) James Leith MacBeth Bain	Peak Performers
Message	"A Religious Experience"	Don Ramie
Closing Hymn	Hymn # 23 Bring Many Names Words: Brian Wren, Music: Carlton R. Young	Peak Performers
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.	Sharon Davis
Benediction		Don Ramie

Next Week's Service: September 8 – "River of Time - Water Communion and 30 Years of Hopes and Promises **"**
Rev. Greg Ward and Ariel Smith-iyer will lead the service. Worship Host will be Dave Johnson. Jessica Steele and Jo Ann Schriner will provide our music.

In this special service we will row ourselves back upstream to our past and see what excitement and hope was placed in our 30 year time capsule. We will also consider what hopes and promises we think belong in the time capsule to be opened in another 30 years.

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

Announcements:

30th Anniversary Celebration Dinner - September 7th at Cole Hall.
Children's dinner and adult appetizers at 6 pm / Catering starts at 6:30 from Lilo's (Mexican menu) / Celebration program follows dinner with video voices from MPUUC's past, then dancing to music from the 90's until 10 pm. **Please RSVP by September 4 - caterers need a number!**

HELP!!!!! The Sunday Services Set-up Team needs help in September!!! Don and Valerie are both traveling and will be away several weekends. Please speak to or email Don Ramie if you can help with the set-up/take-down/ greetings tasks on Sunday morning at Cole Hall.

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 510-493-1796.