

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



The Founding Fathers

Worship Leader: Don Ramie
Worship Associate: Drew Wilson

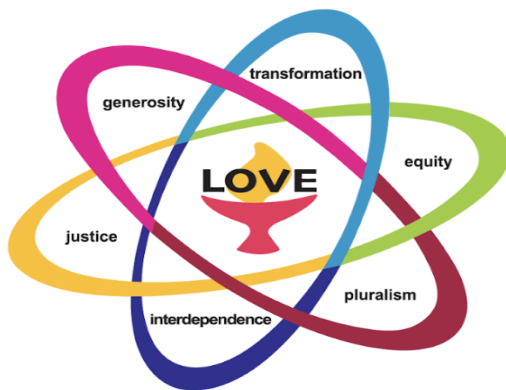
Worship Host: Erik Alm
Music: Jo Ann Schriener and Knuti VanHoven

Sunday, February 23, 2025 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: **Recovenanting**

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.



Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values.
Interdependence of all existence. With reverence for the great web of life and our place in it.
Pluralism – We celebrate that we are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience and theology.
Justice – We work to be diverse multicultural Beloved Communities where all thrive.
Transformation – We adapt to the changing world.
Generosity – We cultivate a spirit of gratitude and hope.
Equity – We declare that every person has the right to flourish with inherent dignity and worthiness.

Order of Service

Sunday, February 23, 2025 10:00–11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

“A new era doesn’t come from nothing. New thoughts, values and methods will be established after overcoming various hurdles on the way.” Park Won-soon

“The best argument against democracy is a five-minute conversation with the average voter.” Winston Churchill

“Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education.” Franklin D. Roosevelt

“I hope we shall crush in its birth the aristocracy of our monied corporations which dare already to challenge our government to a trial by strength, and bid defiance to the laws of our country.” Thomas Jefferson

Prelude

Bell Don Ramie

Call To Worship Drew Wilson

Chalice Lighting Drew Wilson

Welcome Beth Schaefer

Welcome Song Hymn #357 Bright Morning Stars Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriner
American folk song / anonymous

Time for all Ages All Are Welcome Here By Alexandra Penfold, 2018
Illustrated by Suzanne Kaufman

Pulpitorial 2025 Canvass DeAnna Alm

Practice of Generosity (Offering) Drew Wilson

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Joys and Concerns Invitation Don Ramie

Song of Reflection Hymn 408 Wonder of Wonders Jo Ann Schriner, Knuti VanHoven
Alan Hovhanes

Shared Joys & Concerns		Don Ramie
Reading / Reflection	"Heroism" by Mary Roach, American author	Don Ramie
	"Dreams" by Lupita Nyong'o, American actress	
Anthem	Hymn 12 O Life that Maketh All Things New Thomas Williams, 1789	Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriener
Message	The Founding Fathers	Don Ramie
Closing Hymn	Hymn #6 Just as Long as I Have Breath Johann Eheling (1637–1676)	Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriener
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		Don Ramie

Next Week's Service: March 2 – "The Secrets of Blue Zones"

Kathi Bayne and Rev. Greg Ward will lead the service. Worship Host will be Melissa Holmes Peak Performers under the direction of Von Bringhurst will provide our music.

Blue zones are areas of the world where people are living significantly longer and healthier lives. How? Researchers who've studied the people living there aren't pointing to the fountain of youth or the secrets of Shangri-la. It's really about ways the heart of the community comes together in agreement of a number of basic good health practices. In this service, we will explore what these are and why we might benefit from knowing more about them.

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 510-493-1796.