WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION





Chief Seattle – Black Elk with family

Our American Heritage

Worship Leader: Paul K. Davis **Worship Host: Steve Wallcave**
Worship Associate: Don Ramie **Music: Jay Steele, Knuti VanHoven, Jo Ann Schriner**

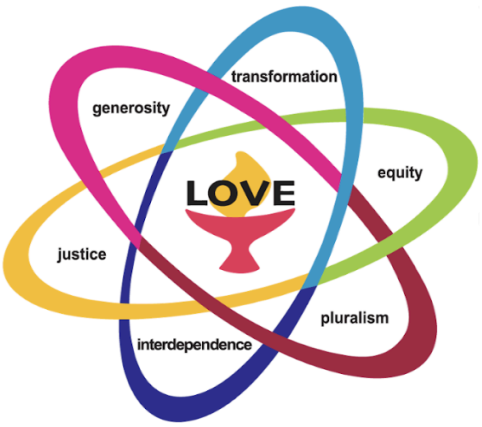
Sunday, July 20, 2025 10:00 AM

Service theme for the month: Re-storing

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, July 20, 2025 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thoughts

"It is well to know something of the manners of various peoples, in order more sanely to judge our own."
- Rene Descartes
"Thinking will replace killing, and there shall be one commonwealth." -- Deganawida
"As regards true social science, we are still in a state of barbarism." -- Alfred Russel Wallace

Prelude

Bell — Paul K Davis

Call To Worship — Don Ramie

Chalice Lighting — Don Ramie

Welcome — Beth Schaefer

Centering Reading — Pascal, Deganawida, Wallace — Paul K Davis

Welcome Song — Singer of Life (# 196)
Texcoco Nahuatl poem and melody, harmony by Richard Proulx — Jay Steele

Time for all Ages — Sequoyah, Leader of the Cherokees
by Alice Marriott, illustrated by Bob Riger — Paul K Davis

Share the Plate — **Sandwich Squad** — Don Ramie

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- Use the QR Code in the OOS (Note: 3% surcharge).
- Make check payable to MPUUC with "Sandwich Squad" in the memo line
- Mail check to MPUUC P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
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Joys and Concerns Invitation — Paul K Davis

Song of Reflection — The Earth Is Our Mother (#1073)
Native American, from Songs for Earthlings — Jay Steele

Shared Joys & Concerns — Paul K Davis

Reading / Reflection — Native American Wisdom
Seattle, Black Elk, Two Bears — Paul K Davis

Anthem	Colors of the Wind Stephen Schwartz & Alan Menken	Knuti VanHoven & Jo Ann Schriner
Message	Our American Heritage	Paul K Davis
Closing Hymn	Turn the World Around (# 1074) Harry Belafonte and Robert Freedman	Jay Steele
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.	Don Ramie
Benediction		Paul K Davis

Next Week's Service: July 27 – "We the People"

Don Ramie will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Mark Rahman. Worship Host will be Melissa Holmes. Knuti VanHoven and Jo Ann Schriner will provide our music.

The Preamble of the Constitution declares who is enacting this new form of government—"We the People" of the United States. The Constitution is the possession of all inhabitants of the land, not the government, or any branch of it, or any political party. We, all of us, are stewards of the Constitution, and we remain ultimately responsible for its continued existence and faithful interpretation. But what kind of democracy did our founding document give us? And what anti-democratic aspects could be a cause for concern?

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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.