

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Love After Love

Worship Leader: Rev. Greg Ward
Worship Associate: Drew Wilson

Worship Host: Melissa Holmes
Music: Knuti VanHoven and Jo Ann Schriener

Sunday, August 24, 2025 10:00 AM

Service theme for the month: Re-membering

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, August 24, 2025 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving.

Albert Einstein

New beginnings are often disguised as painful endings.

Lao Tzu

All things must pass. Strive on diligently. Don't give up.

Buddha

We can throw stones, complain about them, stumble on them, climb over them, or build with them. *William Arthur Ward*

Life can only be understood backward, but it must be lived forwards.

Søren Kierkegaard

Life goes on because it wants you to learn the lessons of your mistakes.

Unknown

Prelude

Bell

Rev. Greg Ward

Call To Worship

Drew Wilson

Chalice Lighting

Drew Wilson

Welcome

Jay Steele

Welcome Song

Turn, Turn, Turn

Pete Seeger

Knuti VanHoven, vocals
and Jo Ann Schriener, piano

Time for all Ages

The Boy, The Mole, the Fox and the Horse - Look to the Dawn

Charlie Mackesy

FaithPixel

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Drew Wilson

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- Mail check to MPUUC P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
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Joys and Concerns Invitation

Rev. Greg Ward

Song of Reflection

If We Only Have Love

Brel, Shuman & Blau

Knuti VanHoven, vocals
and Jo Ann Schriener, piano

Shared Joys & Concerns

Rev. Greg Ward

Reflection

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Derek Walcott

Rev. Greg Ward

Anthem

Goodnight My Angel

Knuti VanHoven, vocals

Billy Joel

and Jo Ann Schriners, piano

Message

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Closing Hymn

83 Winds Be Still

Music by Samuel Wesley; lyrics by Richard S. Kimball

Knuti VanHoven, vocals
and Jo Ann Schriners, piano

Extinguishing the Chalice

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Drew Wilson

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.

Benediction

Rev. Greg Ward

Next Week's Service: August 31 – "The Divine Feminine"

Rev. Barbara Meyers will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Paul K. Davis. Worship Host will be Erik Alm. Peggy Rahman will provide our music.

For thousands of years, the supreme deity the world over was personified as a woman. The miracle of life made possible within the female body represented the ways the Divine Feminine was an active and immanent presence in the life of the earth. Rev. Barbara Meyers and Paul Davis will share some of their learnings about the Divine Feminine and what it means to us today.

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

Announcements:

We have a very special guest for Lunch and Learn September 14, 2025 after service.

Rev Barry Cammer from Black Wealth Builders Fund will host a 1 hour activity, a Monopoly-like game of wealth gap simulation, that makes it easy to understand how the wealth gap came about.

Please join us for soup and fun.

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.