WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

What Does it Mean to be an Ally



Worship Leader: ARO
Worship Associate: Rev. Greg Ward
Multigenerational Programming: Lisa Newstrom

Worship Host: Steve Wallcave
Music: Various Musical Artists

Sunday, June 21, 2026 10:00 AM
Service theme for the month: Flourishing Together

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, June 21, 2026 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thoughts

The following books are recommended by the MPUUC ARO Team for anyone who wants to understand systemic racism in the U.S. and it's impact on the individual conscience.

- *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* by Michelle Alexander
- *Parting the Waters – America in the King Years 1954-63* by Taylor Branch
- *White Fragility – Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism* by Robin DiAngelo.
- *The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story* by Nikole Hannah-Jones, Caitlin Roper, Ilena Silverman, and Jake Silverstein.
- *Calling In: How to Start Making Change with Those You'd Rather Cancel* by Loretta Ross.
- *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America* by Richard Rothstein.
- *The Autobiography of Malcolm X* by Malcolm X and Alex Haley.

Prelude

Bell — Rev. Greg Ward

Call to Worship — Ashante Bean

Chalice Lighting — Rev. Greg Ward

Welcome — Valerie Stewart

Welcome Song — #151 I Wish I Knew How (it would feel to be Free), Billy Taylor and Dick Dallas — Jay Steele

Time for all Ages — Anti Racist Baby, Ibram X. Kendi — Ibram X. Kendi

Practice of Generosity (Offering) — Rev. Greg Ward

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Joys and Concerns Invitation — Rev. Greg Ward

Song of Reflection — Hush (Hymn #1040), African American Spiritual — Jay Steele

Shared Joys & Concerns		Rev. Greg Ward
Reflection I	Coalitions	Beth Schaefer
Interlude I	Guide My Feet arr. Clayton White	Augsburg Choir
Reflection II	Readings	Rev. Barbara Meyers
Anthem	Freedom John Batiste	Jon Batiste
Reflection III	BIPOC	Kathi Bayne
Interlude II	Hold My Hand arr. Clayton White	Augsburg Choir
Reflection IV	Calling In / Out	Terri King
Closing Hymn	#348 Guide My Feet African American Spiritual	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.	Rev. Greg Ward
Benediction	Something that has to do with Juneteenth	Rev. Barbara Meyers

Next Week's Service: June 28 – "Loving the Hell Out of this World"

Jenna Daugherty will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Rev. Greg Ward. Worship Host will be Steve Wallcave. Jo Ann Schriner, Knuti VanHoven and friends will provide our music.

On June 28, 1969 the gay community – which is to say, drag queens, the transgender community, gay men, lesbians, hustlers, and homeless youth – fought back. The Stonewall Rebellion was an uproar of outrage that united different people in common cause with a singular message: they were done being made to feel shame and fear for something they felt pride. They fought the police – and the Mafia – in solidarity on the premise that they deserved to be treated with and have their worth, dignity, equality and pride recognized.

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.

We are headed to Elizabeth Park picnic area LION 1 at noon today after service for our MPUUC Juneteenth celebration of freedom. diversity, and Rev.Johnnie's first - and Rev. Greg's last - picnic with us. Please join us for great food and great company!