

WELCOME TO MISSION PEAK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION



Writing Our Own Endings

Worship Leader: Rev. Johnnie Bloom-Ramirez

Worship Associate: Don Ramie

Time for All Ages: Rev. Johnnie

Board Representative: Drew Wilson

Worship Hosts: Melissa Holmes & René Ramirez

Music: Various Artists (Recorded)

Sunday, October 25, 2026 10:00 AM

Service theme for the month: **Courage**

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, October 25, 2026 10-11:15 a.m.

Centering Thought

"Life's like a movie, write your own ending. Keep believing, keep pretending."

Jim Henson

"When we have the courage to walk into our story and own it, we get to write the ending."

Brené Brown

"Life prepares you so that you are able to create your own happy ending."

José José

"There is no real ending. It's just the place where you stop the story."

Frank Herbert

"You will never regret writing a story down. You only regret the stories you don't tell."

Laura Stroud

Prelude

Fight Song - Rachel Platten

Recording

Rise Up - Audra Day

Bell - Call To Order

Drew Wilson

Welcome

Drew

Bell - Call To Worship

Don Ramie

Chalice Lighting

Don

Welcome Song

Hymn 34: *I May Speak with Bravest Fire*

Peak Performers (Recording)

Time for all Ages

Rocket Writes a Story

Rev. Johnnie

Tad Hills

Practice of Generosity (Offering)

Don

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- Use the QR Code in the OOS (Note: 3% surcharge).
- Mail check to MPUUC P.O. Box 545 Fremont, CA 94537-0545
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- Pay online at <https://mpuuc.org/contact-us/donate/> with credit or debit card (Note: 3% surcharge).



Joys and Concerns Invitation

Rev. Johnnie

Song of Reflection

Hallelujah

Instrumental by Tritonia

L. Cohen

Shared Joys & Concerns

Rev. Johnnie

Reading / Reflection	Blessing for stretching your heart Kate Bowler	Rev. Johnnie
Anthem	<i>Golden</i> <i>from K-Pop Demon Hunters</i>	EJAE. Rei Ami, Audry Nuna
Message	Writing Our Own Endings	Rev. Johnnie
Closing Hymn	Hymn 131 <i>Love Will Guide Us</i>	Peak Performers (Recording)
Extinguishing the Chalice		Don
Benediction		Rev. Johnnie

Next Week's Service: November 1 – "Día de los Muertos"

Rev. Johnnie Bloom-Ramirez will lead the service and assisting will be Worship Associate Sharon Davis. Worship Host will be Erik Alm. Peak Performers with Von Bringhurst will provide our music.

Día de los Muertos is a holiday coinciding with the Catholic celebration of All Saints' Day. Distinctly a Mexican celebration, it involves remembering those that passed before with offerings and prayers.

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.

Intersex Awareness Day on Oct 26 is the 30th anniversary of the 1996 protest outside the American Academy of Pediatrics conference in Boston. It is focused on ending shame, secrecy, and non-consensual medical interventions on intersex children, while promoting bodily autonomy.

Throughout the month of October, we are constructing an ofrenda (alter) that will culminate in our Day of the Dead Sunday service on November 1. Please bring photos or memorabilia of departed loved ones (including pets) to place on an ofrenda at the front of Cole Hall. If you are on Zoom or it's more convenient, you can send digital copies to ARO@mpuuc.org and we will place them on the ofrenda for you. There will be Mexican food after the service. Please sign up in WOTP to help.