

This community affirms and promotes the Unitarian Universalist principles:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large
- The goal of a world community with peace, liberty and justice for all
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

### Announcements (Cont'd.)

**Souper Bowl Sunday 2016** is February 7<sup>th</sup>. Plastic containers, to be filled with your own delicious homemade soup, are available in the gathering space today and next two Sundays. Filled and labeled containers should be brought in on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> for the sale. Breads & muffins are also welcome. All proceeds benefit the Food Bank of Delaware.

**Family Promise Support** – St. Mark's church will be hosting homeless families the week of February 14-20. Details about how you can support as a volunteer will be announced soon. All interested may contact Ivonne Antongiorgi at [ivonne.antongiorgi@gmail.com](mailto:ivonne.antongiorgi@gmail.com).

### Upcoming events

Check the weekly news or the online calendar for more information about these and other events at UUSMC:

**Kaleidoscope Concert Series - Serafin String Quartet**, Sunday, Jan. 31

**Souper Bowl Sunday**, February 7

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## *The Cost of Discipleship*

Rev. Andrew L. Weber

January 24, 2016

A Welcoming Congregation  
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**Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek**  
**Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister**  
 ~ Order of Service ~  
**January 24, 2016**

♥ Please silence cell phones, and hold applause until the end of service.

Welcome & Announcements Maggie McLaughlin, Worship Assoc.

Prelude *Allemande and Courante*

Chalice Lighting

Response:

We gather this hour as people of faith, with joys and sorrows, gifts and needs. We light this beacon of hope, sign of our quest for truth and meaning, in celebration of the life we share together.

Congregational Greeting Rev. Andrew L. Weber

Story For All Ages Rev. Weber

**"Henry Builds a Cabin"** by D.B. Johnson

Children to Religious Education – “Go Now in Peace” #413

Opening Words

Sacred is this place of acceptance, this home for the spirit. Here, all are welcome, with all our differences, who come in peace and with an open heart. We enter in celebration, to learn, to share, and to grow together in our Unitarian Universalist faith. Blessed be this gathering.

\*Hymn **“We Laugh, We Cry”** #354

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn **“Spirit of Life”** #123

Meditation

Offering *Sarabande*

Reading **Luke 9:51-62 (NRSV)**

Sermon ***The Cost of Discipleship*** Rev. Weber

Postlude *Gigue*

**\*Unison Benediction**

*May we go from here with Love in our hearts,  
 Hope in our minds, Help in our hands,  
 To live our Principles and give of our gifts,  
 For those whose lives we touch, whose lives touch ours.*

\*Hymn **“Though I May Speak with the Bravest Fire”** #34

\* Stand as you are able.

**Welcome, visitors and guests.** We invite you to fill out a contact information card, and hope you’ll stay with us after the service for coffee, tea, & conversation. We welcome you to all meetings and social activities. To discuss membership, please contact Maggie McLaughlin, [mmclaughlin13123@gmail.com](mailto:mmclaughlin13123@gmail.com) or Jack Guerin, [jackguerin7@gmail.com](mailto:jackguerin7@gmail.com), or our minister, Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, [minister@uusmc.org](mailto:minister@uusmc.org). We hope you have found the service meaningful and our fellowship warm, and that you will be with us again.

**-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --**

**Meet our guest speaker, the Reverend Andrew L. Weber.**

Rev. Andrew Weber is a proud, life-long Unitarian Universalist, raised in the suburbs of Philadelphia. Andrew serves the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark, just down the road from UUSMC. His calling is to empower others to reach their full potential, and create space for transformation, self discovery and new energy.

**Music today** is from Bach's French Suite in E Major : *Allemande and Courante, Sarabande and Gigue*, performed by Hiroko Yamazaki, piano. Ms. Yamazaki has performed throughout the United States and abroad in Rome (Italy), Helsinki and Imatra (Finland) and Lausanne (Switzerland). Currently, she is the pianist of Pyxis Piano Quartet, the ensemble in residence at the Delaware Art Museum. She is also the Associate Head of the Piano Department and Master Piano Faculty with Distinction at The Music School of Delaware.

**Next Week – “The Return of the Light”** with guest speaker Rev. Alison Cornish.

**Share Our Plate** For the months of January and February we will be donating half of our undesignated plate offering to The Adult Literacy Program (ALP) in Kennett Square, PA. The mission of the ALP is to provide free educational instruction to community adults and to improve the literacy of the educationally disadvantaged to levels of proficiency necessary to function on the job, in the family and in society.

**Kaleidoscope Concert Series – Serafin String Quartet**

Please join us on **Sunday, January 31 at 1:31 pm** for this special concert with all proceeds benefitting UUSMC. Serafin String Quartet is comprised of nationally and internationally acclaimed musicians Kate Ransom (violin), Lisa Vaupel (violin), Esme Allen-Creighton (viola) and Lawrence Stomberg (cello). This concert features quartets by Shostakovich and Grieg as well as two short pieces, *Veil of Leaves* and *Between the Accidental*, by noted young composer Julia Adolphe.