

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.)**

**Racism workshop** – *The Heart of It: An Introductory Workshop on Recognizing and Dismantling Racism*, will be held on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-9 pm at UUSMC to provide tools that will assist people in taking additional steps toward recognizing and dismantling racism in their families and communities. Look for the sign-up sheet in the gathering space or email [administrator@uusmc.org](mailto:administrator@uusmc.org)

**Community Forum** – *Hope, Opportunity and Race – Breaking the Prison Poverty Connection* will be held on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 8 am-4:30 pm at the Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington. Visit [www.endnewjimcrowde.org](http://www.endnewjimcrowde.org) for more info.

There will be a **visitor/new member orientation session** in the MacArtor Library after the service on Sunday, Oct. 25 and a New Member ceremony during the service on Sunday, Nov. 8.

**Book Group** meets on Thursday, November 5 at 7:30 pm in the MacArtor Library to discuss *Song Yet Sung* by James McBride. Looking ahead, on January 7, 2016 the Book Group will discuss "*The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid*" by Bill Bryson.

The Book Group typically meets the first Thursday of every other month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov). All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact group leader Amy White at [amywwhite@comcast.net](mailto:amywwhite@comcast.net) or (302) 652-1952.

### **Upcoming events**

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

**Frank MacArtor memorial service**, Monday, October 12

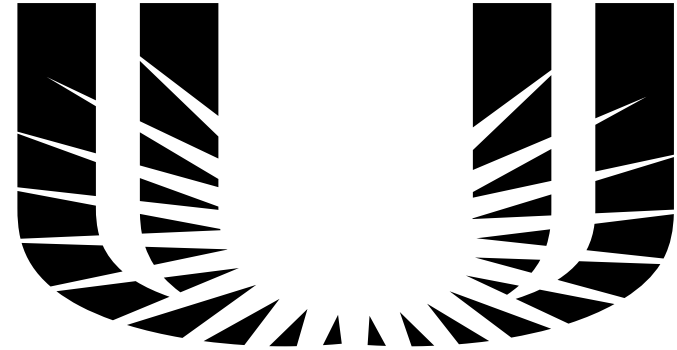
**UU Fiber Friends**, Tuesday, October 13

**Visitor/new member orientation**, Sunday, October 25

**Racism Workshop**, Thursday, October 29

**Book Group**, Thursday, November 5

**Community Forum**, Saturday, November 14



## **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF MILL CREEK**

***Courage, Compassion & Community***

**October 11, 2015**

**Debbie Cole**

A Welcoming Congregation  
302-369-2712  
[www.uusmc.org](http://www.uusmc.org)

Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek  
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister  
~ Order of Service ~  
October 11, 2015

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

Welcome & Announcements Ellen Justice, Worship Associate

Prelude "Imagine" John Lennon

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 Debbie Cole

Story For All Ages Debbie Cole

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 "Just As Long As I Have Breath" #6

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn "Spirit of Life" #123

Meditation

Offering "Walk a Mile" Pepper Choplin

Reading Excerpt from "The Gifts of Imperfection" Brené Brown

Sermon Courage, Compassion & Community Debbie Cole

Postlude "Circle Round for Freedom"

\*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 "Ubi Caritas" #1048

\* Stand as you are able.

**WELCOME!**

Welcome, visitors and guests. We invite you to sign our guest book, 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 joining, 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.

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**-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --**

**Meet our guest speaker, Debbie Cole.** Debbie Cole is a Unitarian Universalist Candidate Minister with a Master of Divinity degree from Meadville Lombard Theological School. She is a licensed pilot and certified diver who seeks adventure from within. Debbie is currently a Chaplain Resident at Christiana Hospital working with the Palliative Care Team. Welcome back, Debbie!

**Today's music** is provided a Capella by the UUSMC choir; Kristen Tosh-Morelli, director. The soloist for the prelude is Jamie Kegerise.

**Please remain with us after today's service for our monthly Second Sunday Potluck Lunch.**

**Next Week** – "Leading a More Compassionate Life" with returning guest speaker Sam Gugino.

**Share Our Plate** During the months of September and October we will be sharing half our undesignated plate offering to assist with the Conference on Racism from the Coalition to Dismantle the New Jim Crow. The conference, "Hope, Opportunity, and Race: Breaking the Poverty Prison Connection", will be held at the Chase Riverfront on Saturday, November 14, 2015 (see Community Forum announcement).

**MacArtor Memorial Service** – UUSMC members and friends are invited to join us **tomorrow, Monday October 12, at 2 pm** for a celebration of the life of Frank MacArtor. A reception will follow the service. Due to limited parking we ask able-bodied members to please park in Paper Mill Park, giving preferred parking to the MacArtor family and close friends. In lieu of flowers, the family will appreciate donations to the United Way at the Linden Building, Third Floor, 625 North Orange Street, Wilmington, DE 19801; phone 302-573-3700, or to a charity of your choice.

**TODAY AFTER THE POTLUCK LUNCH** – volunteers are needed to help set up all available chairs for the memorial service.