

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.)

**Mill Creek Charity Gala-Saturday, October 15** – get your tickets to this annual event after today's service. International cuisine and beverages will be provided. Please help to round out the menu by bringing an appetizer or dessert; see the sign-up sheet in the gathering space.



**The Kaleidoscope Concert Series** is back, for a third season! Join us in our sanctuary as we enjoy excellent music from *Brandywine Baroque* (November), *Minas Brazilian Jazz* (February) and *emma's revolution* (April). We are thrilled to present these concerts to our congregation and surrounding community as we provide the musicians with fair wages and a place to play. [www.uusmc.org/concerts](http://www.uusmc.org/concerts)

### Upcoming events

**Charity Gala**, Saturday, October 15

**Delmarva Cluster Retreat**, October 7-9

**Kaleidoscope Concert Series – Brandywine Baroque**, Sat., Nov. 19

### Mill Creek Professional Staff

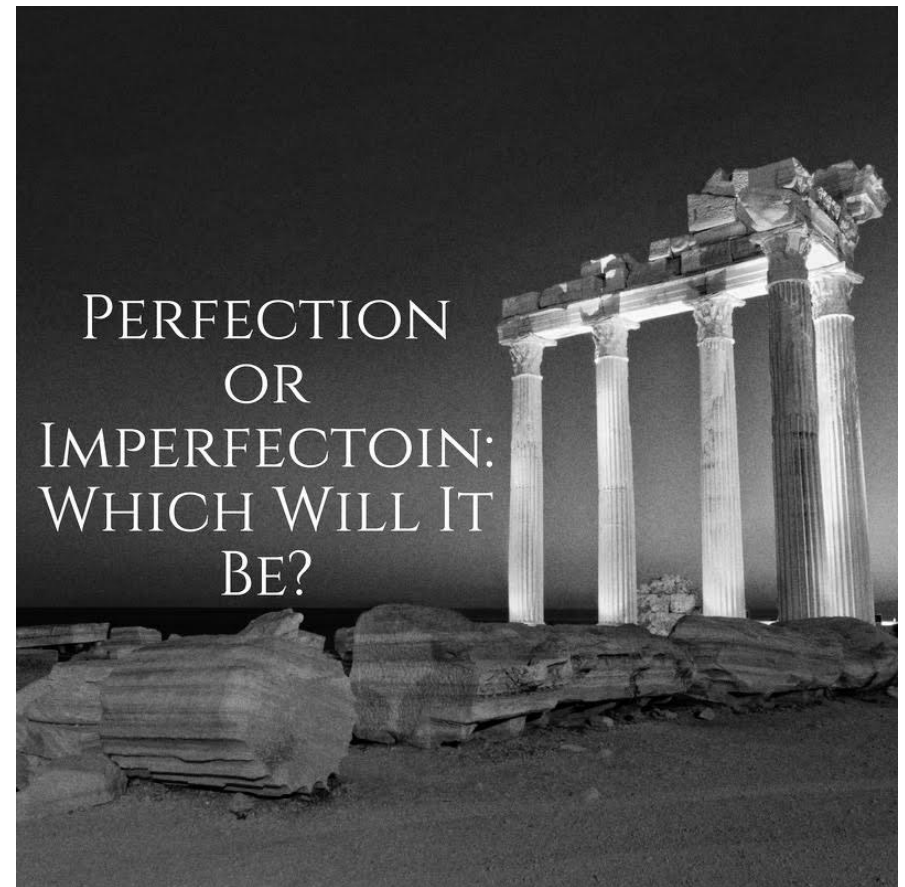
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister [minister@uusmc.org](mailto:minister@uusmc.org)

»Hours: Monday & Thursday 9 am-1 pm; Tuesday 1 pm-4 pm; by appt.

Debra Damiani, Office Administrator [administrator@uusmc.org](mailto:administrator@uusmc.org)

»Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am-1 pm

Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director [music@uusmc.org](mailto:music@uusmc.org)



**Rev. Dave Hunter**  
**October 2, 2016**

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 2, 2016

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

Welcome & Announcements Maggie McLaughlin, Worship Associate

Prelude "I Can See Clearly Now" Johnny Nash

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. Dave Hunter

Story For All Ages "Gonna Vote" Rev. Hunter

Children to Religious Education – "Go Now in Peace" #413

Covenant

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 "For the Beauty of the Earth" #21

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn "Spirit of Life" #123

Meditation

Offering "Imagine" John Lennon

Readings "The Architect from Shiraz" Costica Bradatan

"The Most Perfect Thing in the Universe" A.A. Barnett

Sermon *Perfection or Imperfectoin: Which Will it Be?* Rev. Hunter

Postlude "Three Little Birds" Bob Marley

\*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 "Bring Many Names" #23

\* 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), Jack Guerin, [jackguerin7@gmail.com](mailto:jackguerin7@gmail.com), Eileen Selph, [caldwelleileen@hotmail.com](mailto:caldwelleileen@hotmail.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.

**Meet our guest speaker, the Rev. Dave Hunter.** Rev. Dave Hunter, and his wife, the Rev. Kerry Mueller, are semi-retired UU ministers now in their fifth year as the co-consulting ministers for the Unitarian Universalists of Gettysburg. Previously they had served as co-ministers of the UU Fellowship of Fayetteville, Arkansas. Dave is a graduate of Princeton University, the Harvard Law School, and Wesley Theological Seminary. From 1975 to 2000 he was an attorney in the Voting Section of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division. Dave previously preached for us in April 2003 and November 2013.

**Today's music** is provided by Mike Cook, aka "[SteelHappiness.com](http://SteelHappiness.com)", and he enjoys bringing happiness to others through live steel drum music for any happy occasion. Mike and his wife, Rae, live in Newark. Mike retired from DuPont in 2014 as a global leader for several continuous improvement initiatives over his 30 years of service. In 2013 at age 60, Mike learned to play the steel drum, having never played an instrument before, and is proof that you can teach an old dog new tricks!

**Today's hymns** are accompanied by Peg Duffy.

**Share Our Plate** During the months of September and October we will be sharing half of our undesignated plate offering to the newly formed advocacy organization, Unitarian Universalist Delaware Advocacy Network (UUDAN). UUDAN has a leadership team with representation from all 5 Delaware congregations. It offers a new dimension for UU social justice programs in Delaware, providing a vehicle to research and draft legislation and lobby for reform measures in Dover.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

**Help is needed with the church sound system.** Looking for team members... Can you play the radio? If so, you can help tend the sound system during services! Training is provided, and the job is very easy. Please contact Matt Doty, Sound Team Captain: [mattdoty@gmail.com](mailto:mattdoty@gmail.com) or talk to Matt (he's the guy at the sound board) after service. If we gather enough team members, each person will only be called upon just once every two months.