

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 --

Share Our Bounty – the Social Justice Committee begins this annual tradition of providing Thanksgiving meals to local needy families. Boxes, donated by Calvert Farms in Maryland, will be available after service today to take home and fill. Filled boxes (or even bags) are to be returned on Sunday, November 13th; they will be distributed to Kennett Food Pantry (PA) and YWCA Homelife in downtown Wilmington (DE). Thank you for your participation!

Social Justice Committee meets today. Everyone is welcome to join us in the MacArtor Library after today's service.

Daylight Saving Time Ends next Sunday. Remember to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday evening.

The Kaleidoscope Concert Series presents Brandywine Baroque. Join us for our season opener on **Saturday, November 19th at 7:30 pm** featuring harpsichordist Karen Flint, gamba player Donna Fournier, and Baroque flutist Eileen Grycky. Brandywine Baroque is Delaware's premier early music ensemble, offering concerts of chamber music on period instruments and featuring many national and international guest performers. They have also brought to the stage a number of rare and previously unpublished manuscripts and performed music often unheard by modern audiences. This concert will feature music of Baroque women composers.

Upcoming events

Mill Creek Book Group, Thursday, November 3

Daylight Saving Time Ends, Sunday, Nov. 6

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

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October 30, 2016
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♥ Please silence cell phones, and hold applause until the end of service.

Welcome & Announcements Linda Lucero, Worship Associate

Prelude **Cantabile from Sonata in G major** Telemann

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. Keith Goheen

Story For All Ages Rev. Goheen

"Edgar Gets Ready for Bed" by Jennifer Adams

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 **"In Sweet Fields of Autumn"** #52

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn **"Spirit of Life"** #123

Meditation

Offering **Allegro from Sonata in G major** Telemann

Reading

Sermon **Praying to an Imperfect God** Rev. Goheen

Postlude **Final Allegro from Sonata in G major** Telemann

*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 **"There Are Numerous Strings"** #197

* 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, Jack Guerin, jackguerin7@gmail.com, Eileen Selph, caldwelleileen@hotmail.com, or our minister, Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, 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 Reverend Keith Goheen. Rev. Keith Goheen is a member of the UU Society of Mill Creek, Vice President of the Joseph Priestley District Board of Directors, and Board certified by the Association of Professional Chaplains. He has served eleven years as the chaplain at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes, DE.

Today's music is provided by Eileen Grycky and Donna Fournier. **Eileen Grycky**, associate professor of flute at the University of Delaware, received the University's Excellence in Teaching Award in 1999. She performs with two ensembles-in-residence at UD: the Christiana Winds and the Taggart-Grycky Flute and Guitar Duo. Ms. Grycky is a member of the orchestra of the Opera Company of Philadelphia and the Delaware Symphony Orchestra (DSO). In addition, she maintains a busy performing and recording schedule with Brandywine Baroque, a noted period instrument ensemble based in Wilmington, DE. **Donna Fournier** plays viola da gamba and baroque cello with Mélomanie and La Bernardinia Baroque Ensemble and has been a guest artist with such groups as Opera Lafayette, Tempesta di Mare, Brandywine Baroque, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, and The Philadelphia Classical Symphony. She specializes in repertoire from the French Baroque period as well as works featuring solo viola da gamba by J.S. Bach.

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.

Children's Religious Education – Halloween Party Today!

Parents are encouraged to initially have their children join the larger community in the sanctuary for Rev. Greg's story and then come to the RE wing for our Halloween dance and costume party. Children and youth are welcome! Next Sunday, November 6, we will begin our discussion about "Healing". Parents are asked to bring a baby picture of your child for class next week. We are looking for adult classroom helpers for November 6 and 20.