

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.)

The Kaleidoscope Concert Series is back, for a third season! Join us next Saturday, November 19th at 7:30 pm as we present our season opener with *Brandywine Baroque*. Harpsichordist Karen Flint, gamba player Donna Fournier, and Baroque flutist Eileen Grycky will perform rarely heard works by women composers of the Baroque era. Tickets are \$10 each, cash or check at the door.

Chalice Circle Opportunities

We are forming a second **Men's Chalice Circle**. The meeting day and time will be determined based on the needs of the group. We are looking for seven to join the Circle which will start up early next year. If you are interested, feel free to contact David Bonner at [302 292-1451](tel:3022921451) or david@DLSK.net.

We are also forming a new **Daytime Chalice Circle** that will meet once or twice a month depending on the needs of the group. Contact Joanne Knowles at [302 239-2021](tel:3022392021) or joannebchn@aol.com if you are interested.

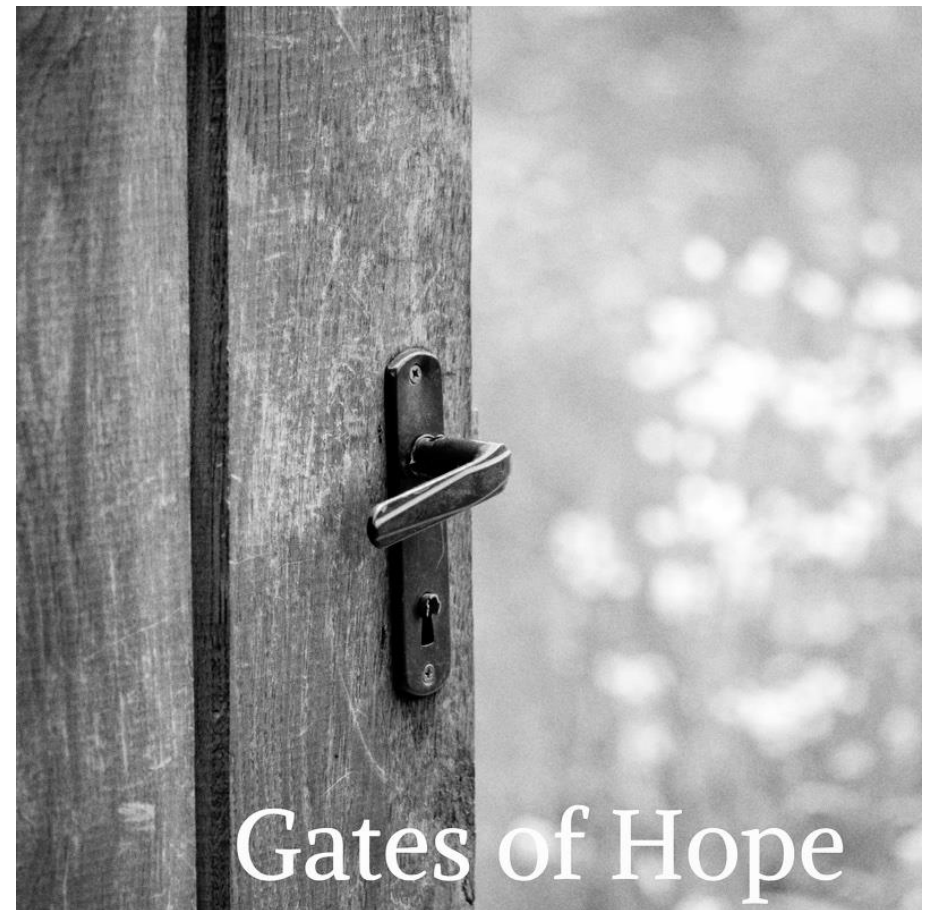
Chalice Circles are small groups that provide an environment where people are supported in the sharing of experiences and ideas to get to know each other on a deeper level. There are currently four Circles that meet in the evening. If you'd like to join a circle or want further information, please contact Joanne Knowles at [302 239-2021](tel:3022392021) or joannebchn@aol.com.

Upcoming events

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

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Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister	minister@uusmc.org
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 ~ Order of Service ~
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♥ Please silence cell phones, and hold applause until the end of service.

Welcome & Announcements Eileen Selph, Worship Associate

Prelude **“Una Dia de Noviembre”** Leo Brouwer

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. Gregory S. Pelley

Time For All Ages Rev. Pelley

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 **“Gather the Spirit”** #347

Joys and Sorrows

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

Meditation

Offering **“Medianoche Habanera”** Kevin Cope

Reading

Sermon **Gates of Hope** Rev. Pelley

Postlude **“Uma Valsa e Dios Amores”** Dillermando Reis

***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 **“Kum ba Yah”** #401

* 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.

Today’s music is provided by Kevin J. Cope. Kevin is a graduate of the University of Delaware where he received master’s degrees in composition and guitar performance. He has received from the DE Division of the Arts the 2011 Emerging Artist Fellowship and the 2015 Established Professional Fellowship in music composition. He was featured on the cover of Soundboard Magazine’s 40th Anniversary Edition, “Composing for the Guitar.” Kevin is also currently the president of the Philadelphia Classical Guitar Society which will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary this season (www.phillyguitar.com). More information including extended bio, sheet music, and recordings can be found at www.kevinjcope.com.

Children’s Religious Education – How Kids Help Each Other Heal!

Today we will continue our discussion about “Healing” with a special look at healing our environment. We are going to put our words into actions and will be planting trees in our meadow! **Please note that we are looking for adult classroom helpers for November 20 and December 18. Please visit the “Sign-Up Genius” link on the Mill Creek website to sign up to help.

Share Our Plate During the months of November and December we will be sharing half of our undesignated plate offering with Meeting Ground, Inc. Meeting Ground is a faith-based organization that has responded to the needs of homeless people in Maryland and Delaware since 1981. This organization respects and serves persons at risk of, or experiencing homelessness by meeting basic human needs, connecting people to services, fostering spiritual and emotional well-being, and advocating for those whose voices need to be heard, with the goal of creating a path to a place they call home.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Potluck FACE 2 FACE

Get to know others in our church community by participating in a community building exercise during our Potluck after the service today! Sit at a rectangular table, opposite someone you don’t know well. Get to know what they are passionate about in their life and here at Mill Creek. (Suggestions for questions to ask will be provided at the table, if needed.)