

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.)

Share Our Bounty Mill Creek's Social Justice Committee continues this annual tradition of providing Thanksgiving meals to local needy families by assembling boxes filled with donated non-perishable food items which will be distributed to the Kennett Food Pantry (PA) and the YWCA Home-Life Center in downtown Wilmington (DE). Boxes are available now to take home and be filled. Lists of suggested food items are also available. Filled boxes (or even bags) must be brought back on **Sunday, November 10.**

Mill Creek Book Group At the next meeting of the book group we will discuss *Hallelujah Anyway: Rediscovering Mercy* by Anne Lamott. Everyone is welcome to join us on Wednesday, November 20th at 7:30 pm in classroom 4. (Please note this is a change from our usual Thursday meetings.) Contact Deanna Koepcke with questions, dkoepcke@hotmail.com

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service Rev. Greg is preaching at this year's service held at New Ark United Church of Christ in Newark on Tuesday, November 26th at 7 pm. All are welcome! newarkucc.org

Upcoming events

Intro to UU, today

RE Committee Meeting, today

Weekly Meadow Maintenance, Wednesday, November 6

Share Our Bounty, now through November 10

Finance Committee meeting, Tuesday, November 12

Mill Creek Board meeting, Thursday, November 14

Book Group, Wednesday, November 20

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Tuesday, November 26

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November 3, 2019
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

We are a community that invites you to awaken to love.

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A Welcoming Congregation
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~ Order of Service ~

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting the Chalice

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.

Story For All Ages *What's in the Box?*

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 *Spirit of Life* #123

Reading *Holy Curiosity* by Rev. Alicia Forde

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* #108

Meditation

Offering

Sermon ***Matters of Consequence*** Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

Postlude

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.*

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 Tracy Morgan, tracymorgan2000@verizon.net, 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 performed by Clarion Brass, featuring Gordon Roth and Kristen Tosh-Morelli, trumpets; Wendy Myers, horn; Tom Hartline, trombone; Brian Hanson, euphonium; and Amanda Ostrusky, tuba.

Religious Exploration This Sunday the Chalice Children will learn about their own uniqueness; the Roots & Shoots friends will see a movie; and the YRUU kids will work on friendships.

Share Our Plate For the months of November and December we will be sharing half of our undesignated plate offering to **Wings for Success** based in Chester County, PA. This organization empowers women in need to pursue employment and economic security through apparel, advice and advocacy.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Introduction to Unitarian Universalism Rev. Greg will lead a session on the history, theologies and polity of Unitarian Universalism. Join us today after service in the MacArtor Library, 12 noon to 1:00 pm.

RE Committee Meeting Today The RE committee will meet today after coffee in Classroom 6, 11:45 am.

2020 Generosity Campaign is now underway! Pledge cards for the upcoming pledge year have been distributed. They can be mailed, or brought to church and placed in the offering plate on Sunday or the collection box on the wall just outside the sanctuary. OR you can pledge online using your REALM profile. *The Generosity Team has set a goal to have all pledges received by Sunday, December 1st* – this is to give the Finance Team adequate time to prepare the budget for 2020. Contact the church office, administrator@uusmc.org, or the Generosity Team, stewardship@uusmc.org, with any questions you may have.



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