

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

Adult Religious Exploration Class Offerings

The Artist's Way Discover your artistic gifts through reflective exercises and thoughtful discussion. Thursdays, 7-9 pm, February 6 – April 23. Register: <http://bit.ly/ArtistsWayMillCreek>

Shared Pulpit Workshop Discover your authentic voice by sharing your story and writing a sermon to share with the congregation. Saturdays, 9 am-12 noon: February 8 & 22; March 14 & 28; April 11; May 2, 16 & 23. Register: <http://bit.ly/SharedPulpit2020>

Listening to Our Lives Engage in self-reflection, discussion and sacred sharing with religious topics like inspiration, community, suffering, spiritual practice, salvation and more. Wednesdays, 7-9 pm: March 11, 18 & 25; April 1, 8 & 29; May 6, 13 & 20. Register: <http://bit.ly/LTOL2020>

RE Committee Meeting – there is a meeting for the RE committee today after service in classroom 6.

Upcoming events

RE Committee meeting, today after service

The Artist's Way ARE class, Thursday, February 6

Roots & Shoots Movie Night Fundraiser, Friday, February 7

Shared Pulpit ARE class, Saturday, February 8

New UU Workshop, Sunday, March 1

Listening to Our Lives ARE class, March 11

Book Group, Thursday, March 19

Big Music Sunday, April 26

Service Auction, Saturday, May 16

Mill Creek Professional Staff

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>>Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9 am – 1 pm, and by appointment

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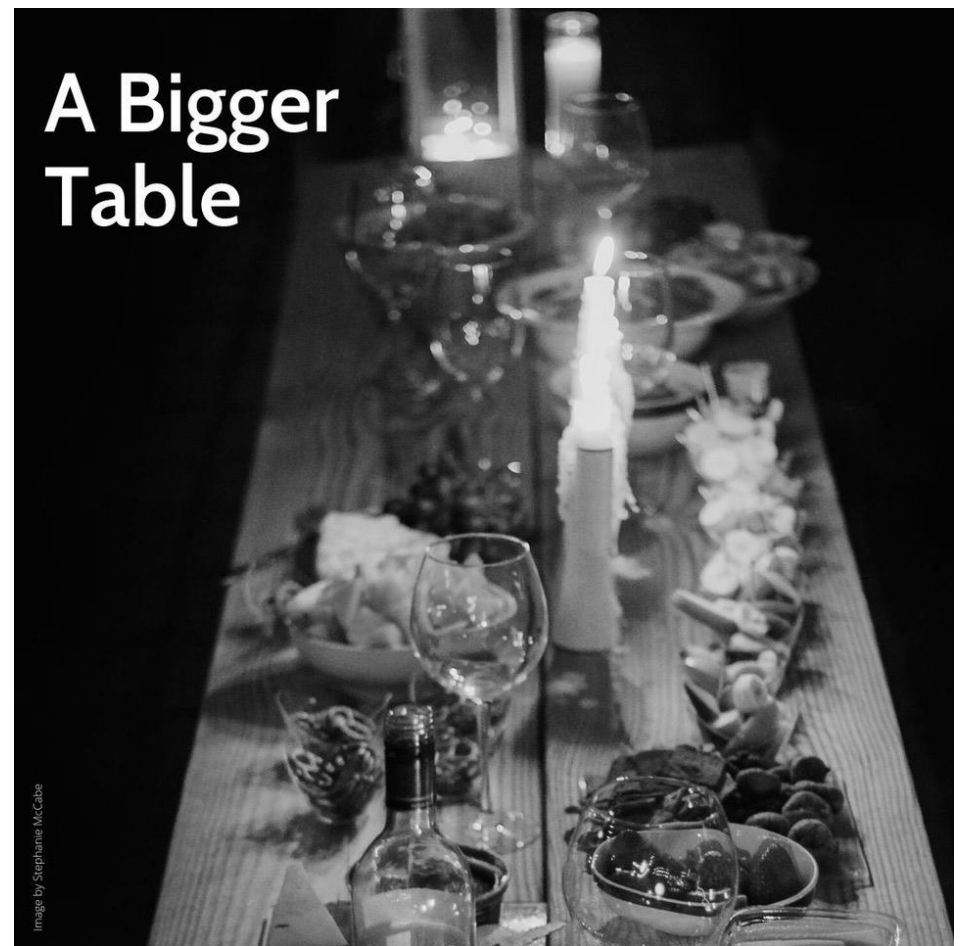


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February 2, 2020
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

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

Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
A Welcoming Congregation
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~ Order of Service ~

Prelude Church of the Earth P. Mayer

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

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 We Begin Again #1037

Reading Cloud Anthem by Richard Blanco

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn Meditation on Breathing #1009

Meditation

Offering Busca el Amor #1004

Sermon **A Bigger Table** Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

Postlude Go Lifted Up #1057

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 the Mill Creek Choir under the direction of Kristen Tosh-Morelli, with Savannah Klumpp, pianist, and Jamie Kegerise, soloist.

Religious Exploration Children and Youth will adjourn to their classrooms after Rev. Greg's story for regular RE learning, discovery and fun.

Share Our Plate For the months of January and February we will be donating half of our undesignated plate offerings to Planned Parenthood.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Today is Souper Bowl Sunday! Delicious homemade soups of every variety are available for sale in the MacArtor Library after the service. All proceeds benefit the Food Bank of Delaware.

Roots & Shoots Movie Night Fundraiser Come out and support a special movie night fundraiser when we gather in the church sanctuary to watch *The Secret Lives of Pets* on Friday evening, February 7, at 7:00 PM. This event is organized by our R & S class members in support of *Faithful Friends Animal Society*. Refreshments will be available for sale. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Bring a friend!

Guest at Your Table Collection boxes for this fundraiser benefitting the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) are due now. If you participated in this effort you may drop your box off in the church office. Remember to label your box with your name and contact information. For more information, visit www.uusc.org

Big Music Sunday – A Banner Day for Music – April 26th We are excited to announce a return to recital format for BMS this year, featuring themes of peace, hope, love, justice and community. Musical performances on any of these themes, from any group or soloist, is encouraged. *We are hoping for a wide diversity of ages, instruments, experience levels, musical genres and styles!* Contact Kristen Tosh-Morelli with questions or to express your interest in performing, music@uusmc.org