

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.)

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

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

Upcoming events

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

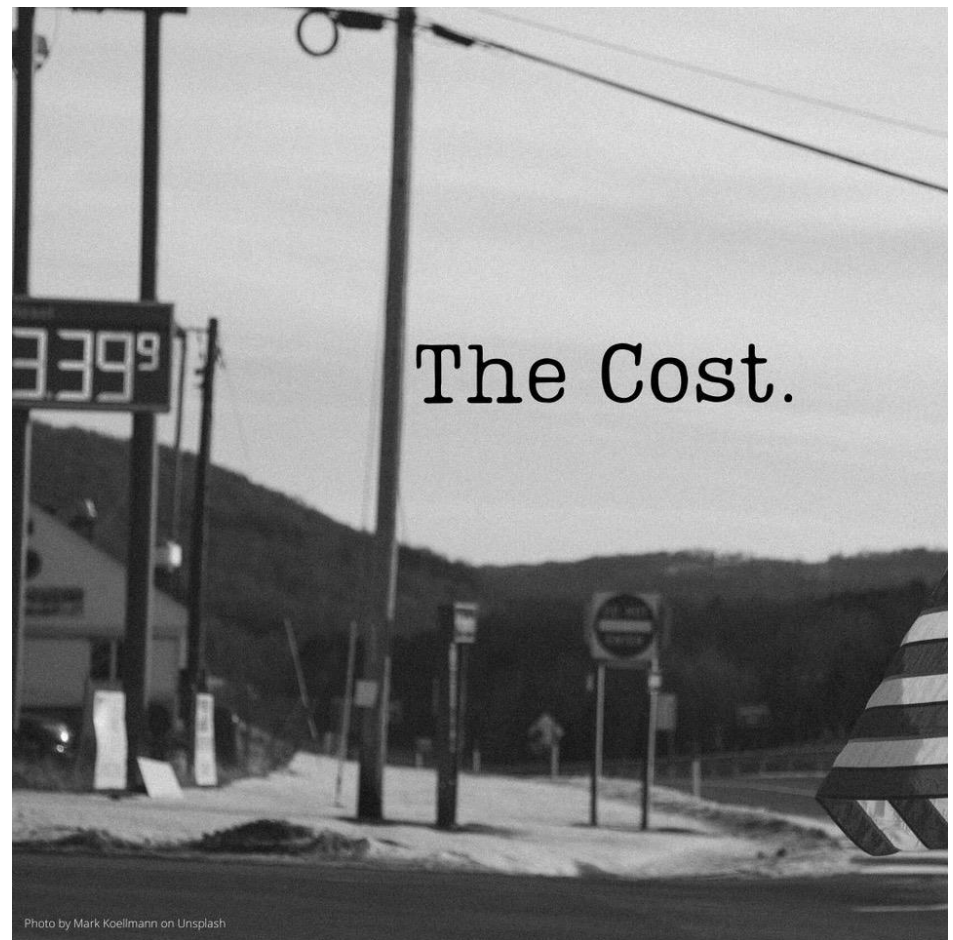
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Lead Minister minister@uusmc.org

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

Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director music@uusmc.org

Debra Damiani, Congregational Administrator administrator@uusmc.org

>>Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 am – 1 pm



February 9, 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 *Shalom Havayreem* #400

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 *The Shattering of the Vessels* by Amy Petrie Shaw

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 *The Fire of Commitment* #1028

Reading

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn *Nada Te Turbe* #1047

Meditation

Offering *Eli, Eli* #1044

Sermon ***The Cost*** Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

Postlude *Gloria Tibi* from *Mass* by Bernstein

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. Our music highlights songs and viewpoints of the Jewish perspective. *Gloria Tibi* is from Leonard Bernstein's 1971 *Mass*, a remarkable, visionary work with a kaleidoscope of musical styles that touches on themes of political protest, existential crisis and religious faith lost and found.

Religious Exploration This morning the Youth will join us for the entire worship service, while Roots & Shoots and Chalice Children will work on regular RE programming.

Share Our Plate For the months of January and February we will be donating half of our undesignated plate offerings to Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood delivers vital reproductive healthcare, sex education and information to millions of women, men, and young people worldwide.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

POTLUCK LUNCHEON - Today after Service

Everyone is welcome to remain with us after today's service to enjoy good food and warm fellowship at our monthly potluck lunch. You need not have brought anything – *just grab a plate and join the conversation!*

Listening to Our Lives – Classes begin Wednesday evening, March 11

Spaces are still available for this Adult Religious Exploration class with Rev. Greg. This class is designed for those who wish to engage seriously and open-heartedly with the perennial religious topics such as: inspiration, God, community, suffering, death, spiritual practice, living our gifts, and salvation. Wednesday evenings, 7-9 pm: March 11, 18 & 25; April 1, 8 & 29; May 6, 13 & 20. Use this link to register: <http://bit.ly/LTOL2020>

Book Group Meeting – Rescheduled We are pleased to reschedule our discussion of *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States* by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz on Thursday, March 19th at 7:30 pm in classroom 4. Everyone is welcome to join us. Contact Deanna Koepcke at dkoepcke@hotmail.com with any questions.