

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.)

Family Fun Night – Saturday, June 24, 6:30 pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for this fun monthly gathering. We will be outside if the weather cooperates. Bring yard games for everyone to play and perhaps some refreshments.

***Clothes For Kids' Sake* can help make your spring cleaning easier!**

Clothes For Kids' Sake is an organization established with the mission to help support local Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies. They collect and re-sell donations of gently-used clothing, housewares, books, toys, etc., from the local community with all proceeds supporting local programs. Look for the green collection bin at the church entrance.

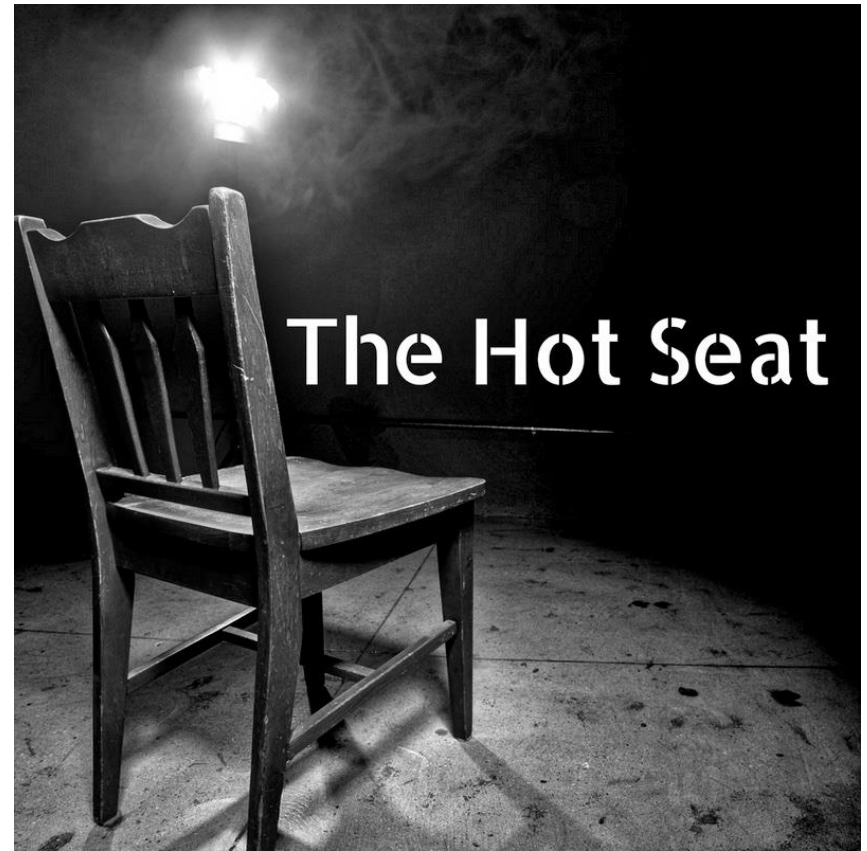
Upcoming events

Mill Creek Annual Meeting – TODAY

Family Fun Night – Saturday, June 24

Mill Creek Professional Staff

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister minister@uusmc.org
>>Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 1 pm, and by appointment
Debra Damiani, Office Administrator administrator@uusmc.org
>>Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am – 1 pm
Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director music@uusmc.org



June 4, 2017
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

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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 Stephen Petersen, Worship Associate

Prelude Love in Any Language arr. John Higgins

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

Story 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 Gathered Here #389

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn When Our Heart is In a Holy Place #1008
(verse 2 only, no repeat)

Meditation

Offering Imagine arr. Roger Emerson

Recognition of Graduates

Hot Seat Rev. Pelley

Postlude Pure Imagination arr. Jay Althouse

***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 God of Many Names #198

* 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, Helen Springer, helenspringer@icloud.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 the Mill Creek Choir, directed by Kristen Tosh-Morelli, with Pam Allenstein, pianist. Our performance today is complemented by Amanda Ostrusky as conductor of the prelude, and by Jamie Kegerise as soloist for the postlude.

Children's Religious Education Today we will be checking the Monarch Butterfly's migration progress, and we will be discussing the idea of perseverance and overcoming obstacles.

Share Our Plate For the months of May and June we will be donating half of our undesignated plate offering to The Adult Literacy Program (ALP) in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. The mission of the ALP is to provide free educational instruction to community adults and to improve the literacy of the educationally disadvantaged to levels of proficiency necessary to function on the job, in the family and in society.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Annual Meeting of the Congregation: today after church service

Members and friends of Mill Creek are invited to remain with us for our Annual Meeting of the Congregation. Help us celebrate the accomplishments of the church in the year past; to recognize and thank all who make Mill Creek possible; and to hear of our aspirations for the year ahead. Members* of the church will be invited to vote on three new Trustees to the Board; the FY 2017-2018 budget; and any other official business that comes before us. This is an opportunity to ask questions, to have your voice heard, and take part in the vital life of this gathered community. Please join us! (*All are invited to attend. **Members** have the responsibility and privilege of casting votes.)

Butterfly Spirituality Program – the kids are anxiously awaiting the Monarch butterflies to arrive. You can help us attract them by bringing treats to the butterfly garden. Spoiled fruit is a good food source – leave on the flat rocks located in the garden.