

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.)

Mill Creek Book Group Join us on Thursday, September 1 at 7:30 pm in the MacArtor Library when we discuss *The Sense of an Ending* by Julian Barnes. Everyone is welcome.

Women's Beach Retreat Mark your calendar for Friday, September 23 - Sunday, September 25 for a women's retreat at the Kegerise beach home in Lewes, Delaware. Plan to bring food to share. See the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. Contact Michele Cavanaugh with questions, 610-952-0890.

Upcoming events

Family Pool Party, Sunday, July 24

Pastoral Care Workshop, Saturday, August 20

Newark Community Day, Sunday, September 18

Women's Beach Retreat, Friday-Sunday, September 23-25

Membership Workshop, Saturday, October 1

International Charity Gala, Saturday, October 15

Delmarva Cluster Retreat, October 7-9

Mill Creek Staff Office Hours

Rev. Greg: Monday & Thursday 9 am - 1 pm; Tuesday 1 pm - 4 pm; by appt.

Stefanie Anderson: Tuesday 3 pm - 5 pm; Wednesday 10 am - 1 pm; by appt.

Debra Damiani: Monday through Thursday 8 am - 1 pm.

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July 10, 2016

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

A Welcoming Congregation

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Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister
~ Order of Service ~
July 10, 2016

♥ Please silence cell phones, and hold applause until the end of service.

Welcome & Announcements Eileen Selph, Worship Associate

Prelude

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

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 “For All That is Our Life” #128

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn “When Our Heart Is In a Holy Place” #1008

Meditation

Offering

Reading *Let America Be America Again* by Langston Hughes

Sermon *Wonderland* Rev. 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.*

*Hymn “One More Step” #168

* 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.

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Today's Americana music is provided by The Clarion Brass: Gordon Roth and Kristen Tosh-Morelli, trumpet; Wendy Myers, horn; Tom Hartline, trombone; Brian Hanson, euphonium; Amanda Ostrusky, tuba.

Next Week – “The Cloud Appreciation Society” with Stephen Petersen.

Share Our Plate For the months of July and August 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.

Pledge Information

2015-16 pledge year came to a close on June 30th. Thank you to those members who have paid their pledge in full. You can still make payments on any outstanding balance! Make a notation in the memo section of your check and place in the collection plate or the payment box next to the office, or mail in.

Pledge year 2016-17 has begun. It's not too late to make a financial commitment – and it's easy! Just state the amount you'd like to pledge and email it to pledge@uusmc.org. Questions regarding your pledge can be directed to bookkeeper@uusmc.org. **Thank you for your support!**

Summer Social Event! Family pool party & pot luck, Sunday July 24th after church service at Prakash & Chitra's house. Please bring a dish to share. See the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. Contact Steve Selph with questions, mutiny397@yahoo.com



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