

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

### Mill Creek Summer Service Schedule

**July 21** - Rev. Gregory Pelley - Poolside Theology with Chris Knight

**July 28** - Rev. Gregory Pelley - Poolside Theology with Patti Ferich

**August 4** - Rev. Gregory Pelley - Poolside Theology with Ram Ray

**August 11** - Rev. Gregory Pelley - Poolside Theology with Anne Shuman

**August 18** - Rev. Gregory Pelley - Blessing of the Animals

**August 25** - Julia Smagorinsky "Gathering Roots"

**September 1** - Rev. Keith Goheen

**September 8** - Rev. Gregory Pelley – Ingathering

### Share Our School Supplies – Mill Creek’s Annual School Supplies Drive

The Social Justice Committee kicks off their school supplies drive today. Stop by the table in the gathering space after the service where empty book bags will be available for \$10 each (money collected will be used to purchase supplies as needed, as well as new bags for next years’ drive). Fill the bag with suggested school supplies (a list of items will be provided) and return on or before Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> when they will be recognized during the service then later donated to Eastside Charter School in Wilmington. Cash donations will be accepted, as well as miscellaneous school supplies.

### Mill Creek Book Group – this Thursday, July 18-7:30 pm, classroom 4

Everyone is welcome to join us for our discussion of *The Time Traveler’s Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger. Contact Deanna Koepcke with questions, [dkoepcke@hotmail.com](mailto:dkoepcke@hotmail.com)

### New & Improved Car Magnets Available in the Gathering Space

We have a new supply of car magnets. Anyone wishing to replace theirs is free to pick up one or more.

### Upcoming Mill Creek Events

**Weekly Meadow Maintenance**, Wednesday, July 17

**Book Group**, Thursday, July 18

**Drumming Workshop**, Saturday, July 20



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**July 14, 2019**  
**Douglas Harrell**

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

Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek  
A Welcoming Congregation  
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Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister  
Rev. Terry R. Vodery, Director of Religious Exploration  
Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director  
Diana Saunders, Worship Associate  
~ Order of Service ~

Prelude                    *Nothing Stops Another Day*  
from *Ghost the Musical* Ballard, Stewart & Rubin

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

*Billy Badd Boykin Behaves Badly at Bedtime* by Douglas Harrell

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                    *There is More Love Somewhere* #95

Responsive Reading    *I Call That Church Free* #591

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn            *Spirit of Life* #123

Meditation

Offering                    *Breathe* Kooman & Diamond

Sermon                    *Seek and Ye Shall Find* Douglas Harrell

Postlude                    *If I Had a Hammer* Seeger & Hays

Closing #684

**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](mailto:tracymorgan2000@verizon.net), or our minister, Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, [minister@uusmc.org](mailto:minister@uusmc.org). We hope you have found the service meaningful and our fellowship warm, and that you will be with us again.

**Meet today's guest speaker, Mill Creek member Douglas Harrell.** Doug attended his first UU service while visiting friends in 2001 and quickly realized that he had been a UU his whole life without knowing it. An engineer by profession, Doug is an avid reader who constantly ponders how the world works, and how we can make it a better place.

**Today's music** is performed by Becky Rusch. Becky is a rising sophomore at the University of Evansville in Indiana. She enjoys singing, acting, and dancing as she is pursuing a BFA in Theatre Performance. She was a member of the Mill Creek youth group in high school.

**Children's and Youth Religious Exploration:** In today's session, "Meadow Ecology," Jamie will lead the children in an exploration and discovery of how living things in the Mill Creek meadow are dependent upon one another. Children will be outside for the majority of this session.

**Share Our Plate** For the months of July and August, half of our undesignated plate offering will be donated to **Meeting Ground, Inc.** in Cecil County, Maryland. Their mission is to respect and serve persons at risk of or experiencing homelessness with the goal of creating a path to a place they call home.

**-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --**

**Potluck Luncheon Today After Service** Everyone is warmly invited to remain with us today for our monthly potluck lunch. You need not have brought anything – just grab a plate and join the conversation!

**Drumming Workshop with Paco!** Pape Demba "Paco" Samb returns to Mill Creek to teach us the basics of how to play the djembe (pronounced JEM-bay), a drum that is found all over West Africa. Join us in the sanctuary this Saturday, July 20 10-11:30 am. \$20 per person, payable by cash or check at the workshop. Register at <https://bit.ly/2KVUvlz> or contact Terry Vodery, [dre@uusmc.org](mailto:dre@uusmc.org)