

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.)

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!**

Planned Parenthood – High name recognition, low understanding of its Mission To learn more about Planned Parenthood of Delaware, its programs and services (including the newest and improved birth control methods), and how politics are affecting reproductive health care, please join us on Sunday, August 14 to meet Ruth Lytle-Barnaby, President and CEO of PPDE, and her staff. Your questions will be answered and your suggestions for making an even better and more successful PPDE will be heard. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other likeminded individuals who share similar allegiance to reproductive health and rights. We will meet in the sanctuary after church service and keep the time to one hour-we will not be soliciting contributions. A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Melissa Bryson, mbryson@ppde.org or 302-655-7232 by Friday, August 12.

Book Group rescheduled – we will meet on Wednesday, July 20 at 7:30 pm in the MacArtor Library to discuss *Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity* by Katherine Boo.

Upcoming events

Book Group, Wednesday, July 20

Family Pool Party, Sunday, July 24

Planned Parenthood presentation, Sunday, August 14

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

Charity Gala, Saturday, October 15

Delmarva Cluster Retreat, October 7-9



July 17, 2016
Stephen Petersen

A Welcoming Congregation
302-369-2712
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Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister
~ Order of Service ~
July 17, 2016

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

Welcome & Announcements Catherine Kegley, Worship Associate

Prelude **Theme from the Summer Violin Concerto & Summertime**

Antonio Vivaldi/George Gershwin

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 Stephen Petersen

Story For All Ages Stephen Petersen

"It Looked Like Spilt Milk" by Charles G. 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 **"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"** #126

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn **"Spirit of Life"** #123

Meditation

Offering **"Bring on the Wonder"** Susan Enan

Reading **"Head in the Clouds"** by Jon Mooallem

Sermon **The Cloud Appreciation Society** Stephen Petersen

Postlude **"The Silver Spear"** Irish traditional

*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 **"Just as Long as I Have Breath"** #6

* 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 --

Meet our guest speaker, Mill Creek member Stephen Petersen.

Stephen is a longtime co-chair of the Sunday Services Committee. He is an art historian and critical writer whose work focuses on modern art. This fall he has an essay on painting after the atom bomb appearing in the catalogue for the groundbreaking show "Postwar – Art between the Pacific and Atlantic, 1945-1965" (Haus der Kunst, Munich), and he will be teaching classes both at the Corcoran School at the George Washington University and at the University of Pennsylvania.

Today's music is provided by Jeanmarie Braddock, violin and voice, and Christopher Braddock, 6- and 12-string guitars. **Christopher Braddock** holds a Bachelor of Music Degree in classical guitar performance from the University of Delaware and is a past recipient of an Individual Artist Fellowship in music composition from the Delaware Division of the Arts, as well as a 2010 DDOA Opportunity Grant.

He teaches at The Music School of Delaware, where he serves as Master Faculty, Guitar Department Head, director of five small student ensembles, and coordinator of the school's Cultural Crossroads Series. **Jeanmarie Braddock** is active both as a soprano soloist and violinist throughout Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She has taught choral and string music in northern Delaware for over fifteen years, with many of her students having been selected for All-State Choir and Orchestra. Jeanmarie is currently a director of elementary school orchestras in the Brandywine School District. A graduate of West Chester University, she majored in voice and minored in violin.

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.

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