

**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

**Coming this Fall: Adult RE Workshop - *The Work that Reconnects***

**Saturdays: Sept 15; Sept 29; Oct 13; Oct 27, 9:00 – 1:00**

Julia Smagorinsky leads this workshop, which explores how grief, anger and fear are healthy responses to the harsh realities of our time, and that when honored through the practice of *The Work that Reconnects*, they can free us from paralysis and move us toward creative action. Contact [dre@uusmc.org](mailto:dre@uusmc.org) with questions.

**We have openings in our Daytime Chalice Circle** which meets monthly on the first Thursday at 12:30 pm, and our **Tuesday Evening Circle** which meets monthly at 7:15 pm on second Tuesdays. Contact Helen Springer at [helen\\_springer@msn.com](mailto:helen_springer@msn.com) or 484-732-8641.

**Attention RE Teachers** – Mark Your calendars! It's time to get ready for the New Year!!!!

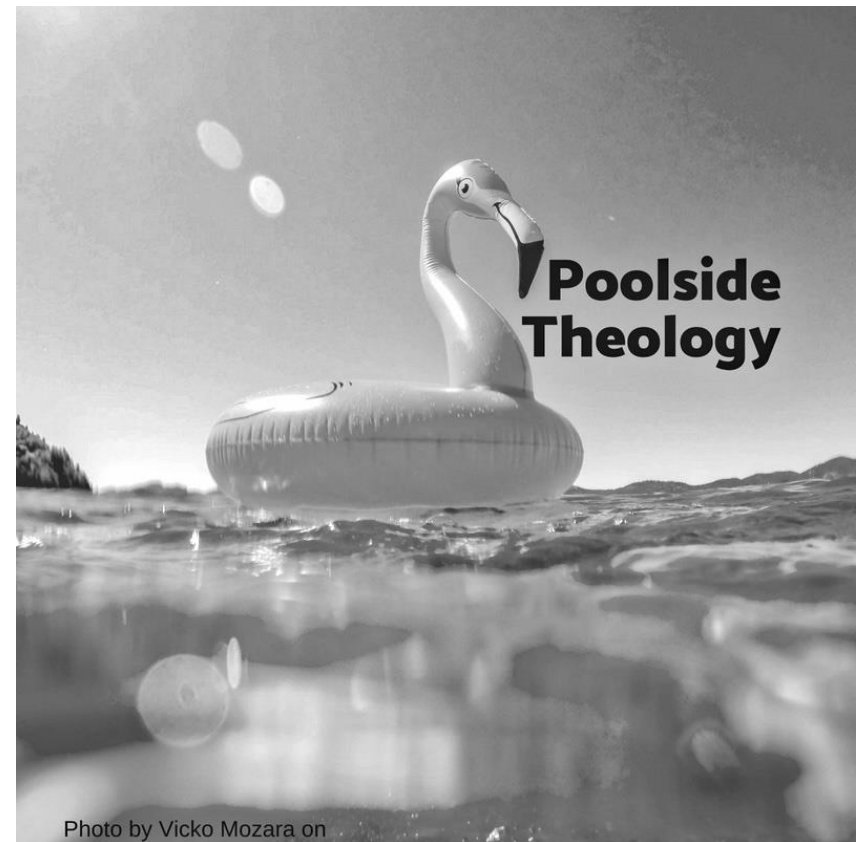
- Chalice Children Teachers "Touching Base" Meeting – Sunday July 29 (9:15 – 10:15)
- Roots and Shoots Teachers "Touching Base" Meeting – Sunday August 12 (11:45 – 12:45)
- Youth Advisors "Touching Base" Meeting – August 12 (9:15-10:15)
- O.W.L. Teachers "Touching Base" Meeting – August 19 (9:15-10:15)
- ALL R.E. VOLUNTEERS (SERVING CHILDREN AND YOUTH) GATHER TOGETHER August 26 (11:45-1:00) Lunch provided.

**Upcoming events**

**Share Our School Supplies Drive ends** – Sunday, August 19  
**RE Classroom Cleaning & Door Decorating Party**, Sat., Aug. 25  
**Ingathering**, Sunday, September 9

**Mill Creek Professional Staff**

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister [minister@uusmc.org](mailto:minister@uusmc.org)  
>>Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 1 pm, and by appointment  
Terry Vodery, Director of Religious Exploration [dre@uusmc.org](mailto:dre@uusmc.org)  
>>Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 9 am – 2 pm, and by appointment  
Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director [music@uusmc.org](mailto:music@uusmc.org)  
Debra Damiani, Office Administrator [administrator@uusmc.org](mailto:administrator@uusmc.org)  
>>Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am – 1 pm



**July 29, 2018**

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

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**Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director**  
**Linda Lucero, Worship Associate**

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**~ Order of Service ~**

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Ringing of the Chime

Prelude *Come Sunday* Duke Ellington

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 Beautiful Tiger* – by Christopher Buice

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 *Shall We Gather at the River* #1046

Reading *A Way of Life* – by Rachel Naomi Remen

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn *Comfort Me* #1002

Meditation

Offering *Kathryn's Amen* Paul Boris

Sermon ***Poolside Theology***  
with Diane Hofer and Rev. Greg

Postlude *Whatcha' Doin'?* Paul Boris

**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.

**Today's music** is performed by local guest musician Paul Boris, a jazz influenced pianist/composer, piano instructor, performer. His music and lyric writing presents pieces from a storyteller point of view. Some performance events include: playing for the Delaware Historical Society, County Executive Matthew Meyer's inauguration, and as performer for an ACLU benefit concert. Paul has a teaching studio at the Center for the Creative Arts in Hockessin and teaches jazz piano at the Music School of DE. Learn more at about Paul and his music at [www.paulborismusic.com](http://www.paulborismusic.com)

**Today in Children's/Youth R.E.** The Chalice Children will continue talking about making friends. All other children and youth will meet in in classroom #1 to discuss themes of inclusion, friendship, and our upcoming R.E. Year!

**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 people worldwide.

## -- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

**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 today's service where empty book bags will be available for \$10. Fill the bag with school supplies (a list of suggested supplies will be provided) and return on or before Sunday, August 19th when they will be recognized during the service, then later donated to Eastside Charter School. Cash donations will be accepted, as well as miscellaneous school supplies.

**RE Classroom Cleaning & Door Decorating Party** Join us on Saturday, August 25, 10 am-12 noon, to clean out some clutter and get our classrooms ready for September. Bring your creativity and ideas to decorate the classroom doors for the fall RE classes. We'll play music and offer plenty of snacks to keep the party going!