

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 Summer Reading List

Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai

Undercity by Katherine Boo - **Thursday, July 7.**

The Sense of an Ending by Julian Barnes - Thursday, September 1.

Everyone is welcome to join us in the MacArtor Library at 7:30 pm for these discussions.

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

Upcoming events

Book Group, Thursday, July 7

Pool Party, Sunday, July 24

Pastoral Care Workshop, Saturday, August 20

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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It Wonders Me That



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July 3, 2016

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

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Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister
 ~ Order of Service ~
July 3, 2016

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

Welcome & Announcements Eileen Selph, Worship Associate

Prelude **“Pneuma”** Kevin J. Cope

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 **“What Wondrous Love”** #18

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn **“Spirit of Life”** #123

Meditation

Offering **“Prelude & Waltz”** Kevin J. Cope

Reading

Sermon **It Wonders Me That** Rev. Pelley

Postlude **“Diamond Suzanne”** Kevin J. Cope

***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 music is provided by Kevin J. Cope. Kevin is a graduate of the University of Delaware where he received master's degrees in composition and guitar performance. He has received from the DE Division of the Arts the 2011 Emerging Artist Fellowship and the 2015 Established Professional Fellowship in music composition. He was featured on the cover of Soundboard Magazine's 40th Anniversary Edition, "Composing for the Guitar." Kevin is also currently the president of the Philadelphia Classical Guitar Society which will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary this season (www.phillyguitar.com). More information including extended bio, sheet music, and recordings can be found at www.kevinjcope.com.

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. It's not too late to 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 cards for the new 2016-17 fiscal year** have been mailed to all members. If you haven't already done so, please return your completed card as soon as possible. You can place yours in the collection plate, the drop box by the office door, email your pledge info to pledge@uusmc.org, or mail it (or you can access a blank one on the church website, www.uusmc.org/support). Questions regarding your pledge can be directed to bookkeeper@uusmc.org. **Thank you for your support!**



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