

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.)

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 heard for making an even better and more successful PPDE. 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.

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. If interested, please contact Book Group Coordinator Amy White, amywwhite@comcast.net or 302-540-3094.

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

Religious Education Q & A, next Sunday, August 7

Planned Parenthood presentation, Sunday, August 14

Pastoral Care Workshop, Saturday, August 20

Book Group, Thursday, September 1

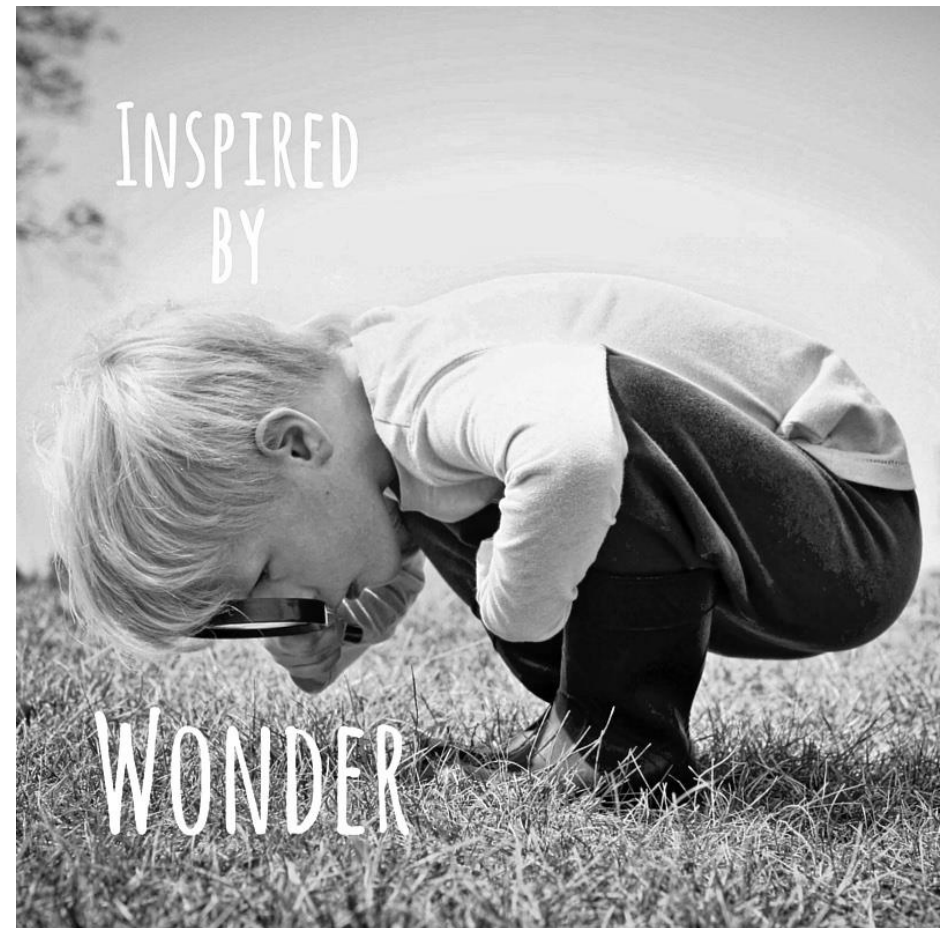
Newark Community Day, Sunday, September 18

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 31, 2016
Maggie McLaughlin

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 31, 2016

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

Welcome & Announcements Linda Lucero, Worship Associate

Prelude "Keep on the Sunny Side" Blenkhorn & Entwisle

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 Maggie McLaughlin

Story For All Ages "I Wonder" Maggie McLaughlin
by Annika Harris

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 "We'll Build a Land" #121

Joys and Sorrows

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

Meditation

Offering "With a Little Help From My Friends" Lennon & McCartney

Reading from 7 Ways to Spark Your Sense of Wonder by Greg Levoy

Sermon Inspired By Wonder Maggie McLaughlin

Postlude "End of the Line"

Dylan, Lynne, Petty, Harrison & Orbison

*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 "Woyaya" #1020

* 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 Maggie McLaughlin.

Maggie has been a member of UUSMC since 2007. She serves as a co-chair of the membership committee and as a worship associate. Maggie is a social worker; she lives with her wife Michele Cavanaugh and her dog, Sam, in Oxford, Pennsylvania.

Today's music is provided by Andy Levin and Kristen Tosh-Morelli. "Keep on the Sunny Side" is a turn-of-the-century song, popularized in 1928 by The Carter Family. Andy and Kristen are both Beatle-maniacs, as reflected by the offering song; the postlude is a hit from the British-American supergroup The Traveling Wilburys, which featured Bob Dylan, Jeff Lynne, Tom Petty, George Harrison and Roy Orbison. Though we are none of those guys, we are having fun performing this tune!

Next Week – join Rev. Greg as he begins our monthly worship theme of Family.

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.

Religious Education at Mill Creek

There will be a question and answer session about the future of this program after church service next Sunday, August 7.

Social Justice Committee continues annual school supplies drive. We collect backpacks and basic school supplies for children in our area without access to these items. Buy a backpack for \$10, fill and return by Sunday, August 14. Or donate whatever listed supplies you can. Backpacks and supplies lists are in the gathering space.

Help is needed – the church front entrance needs weeding. *Thank you!*