

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 14 - Doug Harrell

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

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

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

August 25 - Julia Smagorinsky

September 1 - Rev. Keith Goheen

September 8 - Rev. Gregory Pelley – Ingathering

Lights for Liberty: A Vigil to End Human Detention Camps

Rodney Square-Wilmington, Friday, July 12, 7:00 – 9:15 pm

This event will bring thousands of Americans to detention camps across the country, into the streets and into their own front yards, to protest the inhumane conditions faced by refugees. The Rodney Square vigil will be one of many demonstrations across the nation. Delaware legislative leaders, activists, and organizers will speak starting at 7pm. At 9 pm, at every detention camp and in cities, towns, and homes around America, a silent sea of candles will light up the nation. **Contact Jack Guerin** for more information, jackguerin7@gmail.com or visit LightsForLiberty.org

Upcoming Mill Creek Events

Weekly Meadow Maintenance, Wednesday, July 3

Board/RE Workshop, Tuesday, July 9

Book Group, Thursday, July 18

Drumming Workshop, Saturday, July 20

Mill Creek Professional Staff

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister

minister@uusmc.org

>>Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 1 pm, and by appointment

Rev. Terry R. Vodery, Director of Religious Exploration

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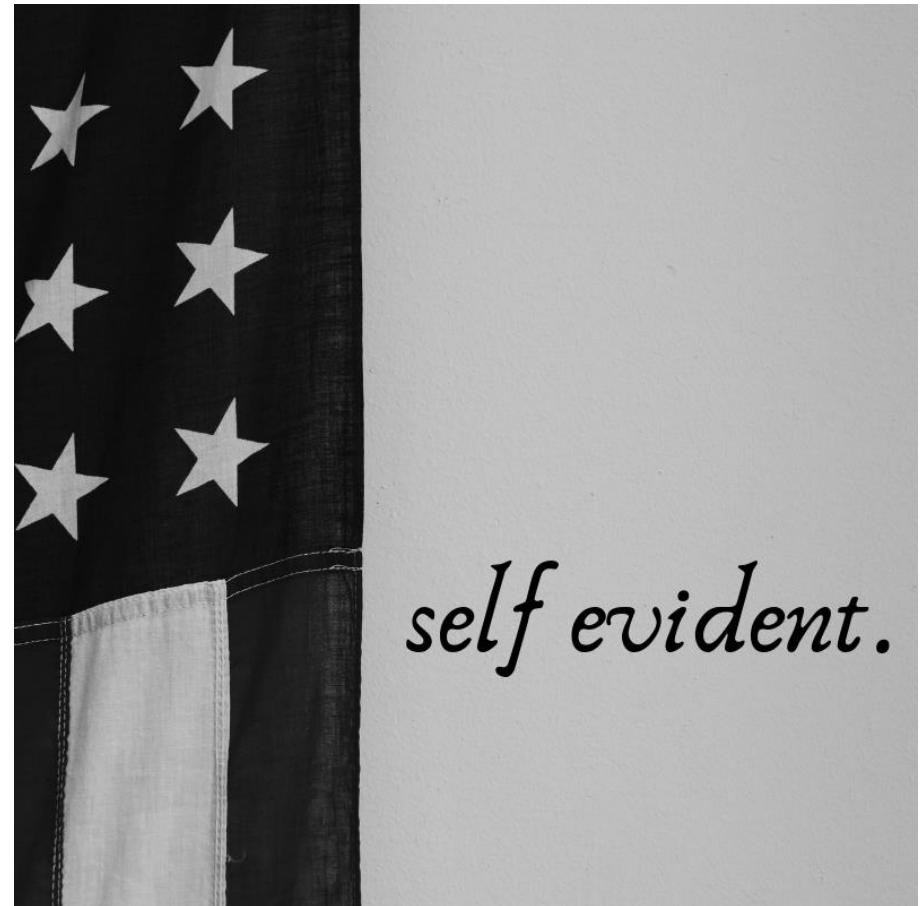
Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director

music@uusmc.org

Debra Damiani, Office Administrator

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>>Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am – 1 pm



July 7, 2019

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

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

Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek

A Welcoming Congregation

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~ Order of Service ~

Prelude *Allegro from Sonata in A Minor* K.P.E. Bach

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

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 *Ubi Caritas* #1048

Reading *Declaration of Interdependence* by Richard Blanco

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn *Comfort Me* #1002

Meditation

Offering excerpt from *Poco adagio; Sonata in A Minor* K.P.E. Bach

Sermon *Self Evident* Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

Postlude *Danse de la Chevre* Arthur Honegger

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, 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.

Today's music is performed by Diana Headley Saunders, a member of Mill Creek since 2004, and a member of the choir. Diana is a flute player and elementary school teacher at Wilmington Friends School. She plays in a flute trio, Flutes on Call, and is an occasional substitute in the Wilmington Community Orchestra.

Children's R.E. is off this week due to the holiday. Summer of Science will return next week with a "Meadow Ecology" lesson led by Jamie Kegerise. Children will explore the outdoors and discover how living things in the Mill Creek meadow are dependent upon one another.

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 --

Introduction to Unitarian Universalism Offered Today

Rev. Greg will lead a session on the history, theologies and polity of Unitarian Universalism. Join us in the MacArtor Library, 12-1 pm.

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.

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

Everyone is welcome to join us for the discussion for our next read, *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger. Contact Deanna Koepcke with questions, dkoepcke@hotmail.com

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 on 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