

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 next 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.

Upcoming events

Religious Education Q & A, TODAY after church service
Planned Parenthood presentation, next 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

Mill Creek Professional Staff

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister minister@uusmc.org
Hours: Monday & Thursday 9 am-1 pm; Tuesday 1 pm-4 pm; by appt.
Debra Damiani, Office Administrator administrator@uusmc.org
Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am-1 pm
Kristen Tosh-Morelli, Music Director music@uusmc.org



Family Tree

August 7, 2016
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley

A Welcoming Congregation
302-369-2712
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Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister
~ Order of Service ~
August 7, 2016

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

Welcome & Announcements Eileen Selph, Worship Associate

Prelude **Goodnight Moon** Eric Whitacre

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 **“Everybody Needs a Rock”** Rev. Pelley
By Byrd Baylor

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 **“The Leaf Unfurling”** #7

Joys and Sorrows

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

Meditation

Offering **I Hate Music: a Cycle of Five Kid Songs** (I and V only)
Leonard Bernstein

Reading

Sermon **Family Tree** Rev. Pelley

Postlude **You Raise Me Up** Graham/Lovland

***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 **“We Are Not Our Own”** #317

* 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 Lynne Claire Morse, soprano; Pam Allenstein, accompanist. Lynne Claire's career highlights include: Berta in *Il Barber di Siviglia* at Opera Delaware, Beth in American composer Mark Adamo's *Little Women*, Female Narrator in Benjamin Britten's *The Rape of Lucretia*, and as a featured vocalist in the *Best of the Sacred Songs of Duke Ellington* as part of the *Dupont/Clifford Brown Jazz Festival*, here in Wilmington. Also, as a featured soloist, she was honored to participate in the World Premiere of *The Wright Requiem*, written by Andrew Wright, the Director of Music of Westminster Cathedral in London. Other productions include: *Don Giovanni* (Donna Anna), *Le Nozze di Figaro* (Countess), *Sleeping Beauty* (Queen), *La Bohème* (Mimi), *Turandot* (Liu), and *Gianni Schicchi* (Lauretta). Lynne Claire was featured in Virginia Opera's Spectrum Resident Artist Program in 2006. She is a member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) and teaches vocal lessons in Hockessin. For more information: www.lynnecairemorse.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.

Religious Education at Mill Creek – Q & A today

There will be a question and answer session about the future of this program today after church service.

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 next 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!*