

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.)

Join us as we explore what it means to be a UU in our Adult RE offering, "**Faith Like a River.**" This series began this morning before service. Come explore the course of UU history—people, ideas, and movements that shape our *faith* heritage. Bring your coffee and your curiosity. Sunday mornings in the MacArtor Library (9:15–10:15) Sept. 30 through Nov. 11. No registration necessary. Drop-ins are most welcome!

"Swipe Right" for Adult RE! Next Sunday, October 7 following worship, join us in the MacArtor Library for a brief conversation about RE at Mill Creek. We want to know what you think! Share your ideas for classes you'd like to experience. We are also recruiting new members for the Adult RE team. All are welcome.

Family Promise is a non-profit organization working to prevent and end homelessness by engaging an interfaith hospitality network; Mill Creek is a part of this network and we are committed to providing meals for families in the program. We donate, prepare and help serve meals on **Tuesday, Oct. 9 and Thursday, Oct. 11.** See the sign-up sheet on the Social Justice bulletin board or contact Chitra Vaidy for more info, cvaidy226@gmail.com

Upcoming events

Adult RE: Faith Like a River – October 7, before service

Adult RE Interest meeting – October 7, after service

Family Promise Host Week – October 9th & 11th

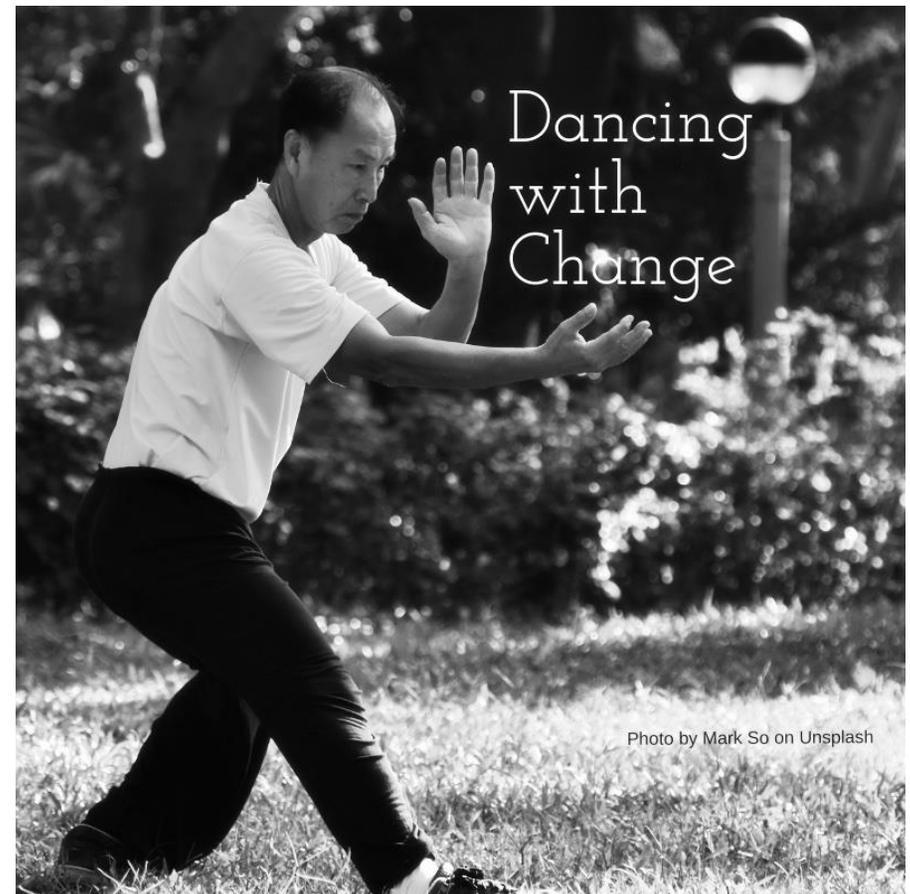
Mill Creek Professional Staff

Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister minister@uusmc.org
>>Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am – 1 pm, and by appointment

Terry Vodery, Director of Religious Exploration dre@uusmc.org
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Debra Damiani, Office Administrator administrator@uusmc.org
>>Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am – 1 pm



September 30, 2018
Heather Petit

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

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~ Order of Service ~
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Ringing of the Chime

Prelude *Icarus*

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 *Her Right Foot* by David Eggers

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 *Morning Has Come* #1001

Reading

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn *When Our Heart is In a Holy Place* #1008

Meditation

Offering *What is Life?* Greg Gilpin

Sermon *Dancing with Change* Heather Petit

Postlude *Down to the River to Pray*
from *O Brother, Where Art Thou*

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.

Meet our guest speaker, Heather Petit. Heather Petit is our Student Minister and a UU seminarian attending Lancaster Theological Seminary. She is currently working as an IT Consultant focused on strategic organizational transformation through everyday business practices. Her call is closely integrated with her work, which is to help transform the American Corporate Workplace into a place where people can thrive as their whole selves. Heather lives in Newark, Delaware, with her husband and four children.

Today's music is performed by the Mill Creek Choir, under the direction of Kristen Tosh-Morelli, with Helen Avakian on guitar.

Religious Exploration Following the Story for All Ages, Children and Youth will report to their classrooms for an hour of learning, friendship and fun! Welcome back to all our Children, Youth and Volunteers!

Share Our Plate For the months of September and October we will be sharing half of our undesignated plate offering to the Unitarian Universalist Delaware Advocacy Network (UUDAN). UUDAN has a leadership team with representation from all 5 Delaware congregations. It offers a new dimension for UU social justice programs in Delaware, providing a vehicle to research and draft legislation and lobby for reform measures in Dover.

New way to give to Mill Creek!

We now have the ability for you to make contributions to the church via text-to-give on your mobile device. Simply text the keyword: **MillCreek** plus the **Amount** of your gift to **73256** and follow the prompts. The transaction is secure through our processor (Vanco). For Example: Text **MillCreek \$20** to **73256** to give a \$20 contribution using your text messaging. Standard text message rates do apply.

Name Tags! Name tags have recently been replaced with a new design. They are **alpha-sorted by last name** on the rack by the sanctuary entrance. If you don't see yours or would like a new one, place a note in the collection box (on the opposite wall next to the sanctuary entrance) or send an email (administrator@uusmc.org) to request one.