

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.)

Adult RE Class at UU Fellowship of Newark

Sexuality & Values Workshop - Wednesday, October 7th, 7- 9 pm.

What is the intersection between sexuality and values in the 21st century? How do values about sexuality change over time? Where is the intersection of sexuality and spirituality? Explore these and other questions on Wednesday, October 7th from 7-9 pm at the Sexuality & Values Workshop held at UUFN. Trained facilitators will be leading this session from the Adult Our Whole Lives sexuality education program. Space is limited! To register, email Isabella Weber:

iceweber@gmail.com

Help Wanted for Exterior Painting

Dick Cronin is coordinating an effort to scrape, prime, and paint the weathered white exterior door frames along the southern exposure of the church, as well as the wooden framing of the sign on Polly Drummond Hill Road. Project includes a few touch-ups in other locations. Miscellaneous materials - primer, paint, rags & brushes - are stored in the Mechanical Room. See Dick to volunteer. Thank you!

Upcoming events

Check the weekly news or the online calendar for more information about these and other events at UUSMC:

Delmarva Cluster Fall Retreat, Friday-Sunday, October 2-4

Adult RE Class at UUFN, Wednesday, Oct. 7

UUSMC Charity Gala, Saturday, October 10

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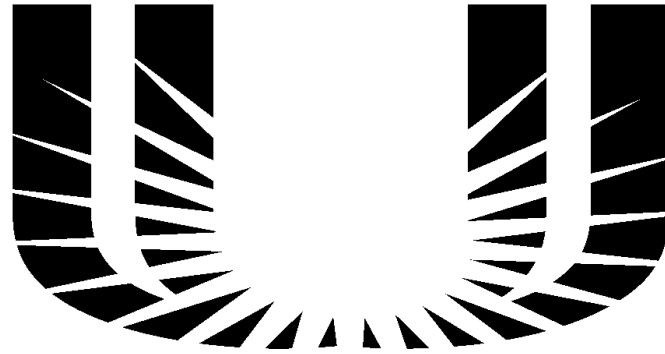
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UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
SOCIETY OF MILL CREEK

A Mountain of Bread

September 27, 1015

Rev. Keith Goheen

A Welcoming Congregation
302-369-2712
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Unitarian Universalist Society of Mill Creek
Rev. Gregory S. Pelley, Minister
~ Order of Service ~
September 27, 2015

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

Welcome & Announcements Stephen Petersen, Worship Associate

Prelude **"The Gift of Love"** arr. by Hal Hopson

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. Keith Goheen

Story For All Ages **"Beatrice's Goat"** by Page McBrier

Children to Religious Education – "Go Now in Peace" #413

Opening Words

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 **"Busca el Amor"** (see note on right) #1004

Joys and Sorrows

Centering Hymn **"Meditation on Breathing"** #1009

Meditation

Offering **"Dona Nobis Pacem"** #388

Reading **"Loaves and Fishes"**

Sermon ***A Mountain of Bread*** Rev. Goheen

Postlude **"Just a Couple Fishes"** Elizabeth Alexander

***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 **"Cuando el Pobre"** #1027
(verses 1 & 4 in English)

* Stand as you are able.

WELCOME!

Welcome, visitors and guests. We invite you to sign our guest book, 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 joining, please contact Maggie McLaughlin, mmclaughlin13123@gmail.com or Jack Guerin, jackguerin7@gmail.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.

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-- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

Meet our guest speaker, the Reverend Keith Goheen. Rev. Goheen is the chaplain at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes, DE, and has a professional interest in the intersection of religion, spirituality, psychology, and medicine. He is a member of our congregation and delighted to share some of the gleanings from his practice.

Today's music is provided by the UUSMC choir, Kristen Tosh-Morelli, director; Pam Allenstein, accompanist.

Notes about today's hymns: for the opening hymn, "Busca el Amor", our soloist, Kristen Tosh-Morelli, will sing the verse as written and the congregation can sing the refrain IN ENGLISH. The closing hymn, "Cuando el Pobre", will be sung together in English.

Next Week – join Rev. Greg as he introduces our month of Compassion.

Share Our Plate During the months of September and October we will be sharing half our undesignated plate offering to assist with the Conference on Racism from the Coalition to Dismantle the New Jim Crow. The conference, "Hope, Opportunity, and Race: Breaking the Poverty Prison Connection", will be held at the Chase Riverfront on Saturday, November 14, 2015.

UUSMC Charity Gala – get your tickets today after service in the gathering space (\$20 each) for this fun and festive event to be held on **Saturday, October 10th from 6-9 pm**. There will be no solicitation at the event – your ticket price is your donation! Join us for international themed cuisine, cultural dances and open DJ dancing while supporting charities to help children and families. Charitable donations are gratefully accepted if you're unable to join us. Please consider bringing an appetizer or dessert on the night of the event. Look for the sign-up sheets in the gathering space.



Our Faithify Campaign to Support the Kaleidoscope Concert Series continues!

Last year's Kaleidoscope Concert Series was a wonderful inaugural year, and this year's series is forming up to be another amazing season. We are blessed to have such fantastic talent in our area. As we continue to grow the audience for the series, we

are moved to pay these fine musicians a fair wage for their performance. To that end, we have created a funding project through **Faithify** - a crowd-sourced funding site exclusively for Unitarian Universalist projects.

FIRST: Please consider making a contribution. No amount is too small (or too large)! Give at the intersection of your means and your love of the music programs here at UUSMC. Access this link to contribute:

<http://www.faithify.org/projects/support-local-musicians-reach-into-the-community/>

(Link can be found in the UUSMC weekly news email.)

SECOND: Please SHARE this link with your social media feeds (Facebook, Twitter, etc.), or with your friends via email. Tell them how important music is to you; the opportunity the Kaleidoscope Concert Series is for local musicians to build their audience; encourage them to support our community!

Please help us catch up!

Our fiscal year ended on June 30, but we still had a number of pledges outstanding, and so we are a bit behind on our financial goals. Here's how you can help:

If you have not completed your 2014-15 pledge, please do so prior to September 30. (If you need to know your balance - please contact bookkeeper@uusmc.org)

1. If your circumstances have changed and you are unable to complete your pledge, or need to reduce it, please know that it's OK. We simply ask that you email bookkeeper@uusmc.org and let us know, so we may plan accordingly.
2. If you have not made a pledge for the current year (2015-16), you may stop by the office and fill out a pledge card or email pledge@uusmc.org

The generosity of your financial contribution is what keeps this home for our spirit energized and engaged, this place of acceptance open and welcoming. Our work together is made sacred by **all** the gifts you bring to this gathered and growing congregation!

