

Our History

Mission Peak is a living, changing congregation, responsive to the spiritual needs of its members. With the help of our minister, the Rev. Chris Schriner, we search for ways to fulfill ourselves as individuals and as a community. Joining us is a commitment to this process.

Our congregation is part of a 400-year old religious movement which has roots in Europe and the U.S. With historical roots in the Jewish and Christian traditions, Unitarian Universalism is a liberal religion - that is, a religion that keeps an open mind to the religious and philosophical questions people struggle with in all times and places. UUs encourage exploration of many religious paths and philosophies of life without subscribing to a particular dogma, as well as involvement in social action based on that faith.

Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation is an autonomous religious corporation governed by its members, who determine its policies, choose its minister, and support it financially. We began in May 1994 and are affiliated with the Unitarian Universalist Association, headquartered in Boston MA, and we subscribe to its principles and purposes (www.uua.org).

Our involvement in the community includes our endorsement of the Mental Health Community Ministry of the Rev. Barbara Meyers.



Our Chalice Lighting Words

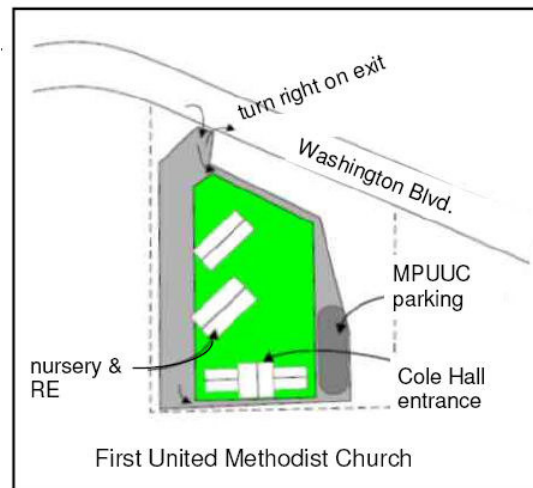
We light this chalice:

To remind ourselves to treat all people kindly, because they are our brothers and sisters;

To take good care of the Earth, because it is our home;

To live lives full of goodness and love, Because that is how we will become the best people we can be.

Services are held Sundays at 10:00 am
at Cole Hall, United Methodist Church
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Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation

*A Spiritual Community of
Caring Hearts and Open Minds*

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Rev. Barbara Meyers 510-796-5722
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All Are Welcome

Mission Peak is an official Welcoming Congregation of the Unitarian Universalist Association.

We welcome all who share our values, regardless of race, age, gender or sexual orientation, ethnicity or physical ability. We affirm the inherent worth and dignity of each person. We encourage one another, in a free and responsible search for truth and meaning, to make up our own minds about those beliefs that give meaning and strength to our lives.

We impose no creed. We believe that religious faith is personal and evolves as we engage in an inner search during our life journey. Everyone who becomes a member affirms his or her personal responsibility for the shape and direction of our community.

We encourage you to join our quest and to share your gifts, your talents, and your time in building a progressive religious community.

Mission Statement

Mission Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation is a spiritual community of caring hearts and open minds. We provide opportunities for worship and personal growth based on UU values of justice, compassion and reverence for life, and manifest these values in service to each other and the greater community.

We embrace and give life to these ideas:

- Offering each other love, trust, respect, and support in time of joy and need;
- Creating worship services and encouraging spiritual explorations and personal growth;
- Providing educational experiences for all ages that encourage a free and responsible search for truth and meaning and an acceptance of religious and social diversity;
- And serving the community in accordance with our social conscience and our Unitarian Universalist principles.

We welcome for membership every person who shares these values.

Religious Education

Our religious education program for children offers a class for pre-school, kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades, and 3rd through 5th grades. In addition, MPUUC has two youth groups, one for junior high (6th through 8th grades) and one for senior high students (9th through 12th grades).

We follow a three-year curriculum: one year of instruction in the principles of Judaism and Christianity, one year of Unitarian Universalism, and one year on World Religions. This rotation is repeated every three years, providing a broad educational experience for students as they move through the program.

Nursery care is provided for all worship services and many other events.

About Our Finances

Our congregation is totally self-supporting. Everything that you see when you visit us – programs and services, community outreach, religious education, staff, and supplies – is possible because of our continuing support.

The amount we pledge depends upon a personal determination of resources and commitment. Sharing gifts of time and talent are also encouraged.

How to Become a Member

Attend church activities.

Meet others who also seek a caring spiritual community.

Attend a get-acquainted dinner and meet others in our community.

Acquaint yourself with Unitarian Universalism, its purposes, principles, and congregational programs.

Sign our membership book after conversing with our minister or Membership Committee chair.

Make a pledge of financial support to support the programs and operations of this congregation.

Get involved

Participate in our programs and contribute your unique talents to our congregation.