



# The View

April 2019

Granite Peak  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation  
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**Worship Services: NOTE NEW TIME.** All worship services are held at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted. We welcome all adults and children for the worship hour. Nursery care is available during the service. Sunday service topics may change without notice at the discretion of the speaker or because of other circumstances.

**April 3, Social Justice Reflective Service, 7 am.**

**April 7, Rev. Lisa McDaniel-Hutchings, UUJAZ.**

Join us this Sunday as Reverend Lisa McDaniel-Hutchings, Executive Director of the Unitarian Universalist Justice Arizona Network (UUJAZ) leads us in worship. The mission of UUJAZ is to engage Arizona Unitarian Universalists in justice making through strengthening congregational social justice ministries, connecting UU activists and congregations across the state, partnering with like-minded justice organizations, and empowering UUs to work for socially just public policy. Rev. Lisa’s sermon topic will be announced nearer the date.

**April 14, Rev. Terry, “Philistines and Pharisees.”**

The fourth source of our UU principles are “Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God’s love by loving our neighbors as ourselves.” On this Palm Sunday, as we look forward to Passover and Easter, Rev. Terry will reflect on the meaning of religious pluralism; how can UUs faithfully draw from multiple traditions without causing harm.

**April 21, Rev. Terry, “How Beautiful are the Feet.”**

Rev. Terry will lead us in worship on this Easter Sunday as we reflect on the meaning of the Easter story for Christians and non-Christians alike. Look for details of children’s activities (egg hunts, etc.) in our weekly news bulletins.

**April 28, TBA.**

This Sunday is being held open to greet and welcome a candidate for settled minister at Granite Peak. Further details will be announced.

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### **Our Covenant:**

Love is the doctrine of this congregation, the quest for truth its sacrament and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, to serve others in community, thus do we covenant together.



## Pillar and Cloud

Reverend Terry Cummings

They say that March roars in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. As we move into April, I am feeling grateful that the harsh winter weather is finally behind us (I hope!). It is part of the human condition to look forward to Spring—a time of renewal, a time to be outside and get some exercise before it gets too hot. And, a time to marvel at the wonders of nature and the cycle of the seasons.

I was deeply moved by our recent Spring equinox worship service, and I am grateful for the fact that so many members of our congregation were both involved and appreciative. It is exciting to envision that Granite Peak will have its own CUUPS group in the near future.

Yet, despite the advent of spring, lately I have been experiencing some mixed feelings about some things that have been going on in the world of Unitarian Universalism.

Some of you may have read the recent article in *UU World* magazine entitled *After L. G and B*. If you did, you probably also read or heard about the angry responses from members of the transgender and gender non-binary community to the article. If you didn't, I recommend that you do read it, as well as the various responses to it.

In response to those responses, *UU World* issued an apology for having published the article, and our denominational leadership also issued statements of regret.

The gist of the complaints seems to be that the article was written by a person who is not a member of the trans or non-binary community. How could anyone who is not a member of those communities write an article about something concerning which they lacked personal experience?

Fair enough, except that any objective reading of the article reveals that it was empathetic and supportive of the trans/non-binary community. As a transgender minister, I was very disappointed by the reaction with which the article was greeted by a community

with which I am identified. I believe the article was a step in the right direction; it was progress.

It is certainly true that, historically, people who identify as trans and non-binary have had an uphill struggle to find acceptance in UU congregations. That's mostly because our congregations have faced the same confusion, lack of information, and, frankly, surprise at the rate of change, as the wider community.

Yet we have made amazing strides these last few years. I am living proof of that. Shortly after I came out as transgender, I sought a spiritual home in a UU congregation that I had never visited before. I was immediately made to feel welcome, supported, and loved.

Since then I have served three different congregations as student minister, ministerial intern, and now as your minister at Granite Peak. All three congregations have welcomed me with open arms.

My personal experience is not unique. I have witnessed the way other transgender and non-binary people have been accepted and loved in several different congregations. Including transgender children and youth, and their parents and families.

I know that across the country ministers and lay leaders and individual congregants are engaged in ongoing conversations with trans and non-binary members of our community.

There is much work that remains to be done, including some here at Granite Peak. Nevertheless, I would personally recommend any trans or non-binary person seeking spiritual comfort and support to make a visit to their local UU congregation, especially ours.

This probably won't be my last word on this issue as the discussion continues within our faith community. For now, I will end by saying that those who spoke out against the *UU World* article do not represent the views of all of us transgender UUs.

By the time most of you read this column, I will have shared with you the name of the congregation where I will be serving after I leave you at the end of June. I have feelings of great excitement and joy at the prospect of my future ministry. I am also feeling sadness and grief at the prospect of leaving you all.

I have grown to love this community very much in the short time that I have been here. My gratitude to you, the beloved community of generous and big-hearted Granite Peakers, is enormous.

I am also hopeful that by the time you read this column this beloved congregation will know more about my incoming replacement – your next minister.

Let us hold one another in love and support as we move forward during this time of transition and anticipation. As Charles Dickens once wrote, these are the best of times and the worst of times.

In faith, love and appreciation, Rev. Terry

**Touchstones Journal “Salvation/Wholeness”:**

[Click Here](#)

[Touchstone Discussion Guide A](#)

[Touchstone Discussion Guide B](#)

### April Message from the President

*Marianne Erickson, President*

This month begins with the departure of our beloved Office Administrator, Patti Moore, who is officially retiring. She will be sorely missed and always in our hearts! Hopefully, we will be seeing her often in the future, as she is remaining in the quad city area.



I will be on vacation, away from phone and email from April 5 through April 14. I will be leaving you in the good hands of Frank Beeson, Vice President of the Board of Trustees.

April is an exciting month for Granite Peak UU Congregation for several reasons! We will complete our annual stewardship drive, hopefully early this month. Members of the Finance Committee and the Board will formulate the balanced FY 19-20 budget on April 20 to present to the congregation at the Annual Meeting in May. There are still many individuals and families who have not made their pledge known to their assigned stewards for the next fiscal year.

**We really need your financial commitment to arrive at a balanced budget that does not include staffing cuts.**

Also, on Saturday, April 20 is Kris Parson’s tie-dye workshop, which will be great fun! There are still spots available for this instructional and fun group activity.

This month, our interim minister, Rev. Terry Cummings, will begin planning her relocation to her next ministerial assignment. She will visit that congregation on location. We will soon report the status of our congregation’s ministerial search, as well.

Long-time member, Nancy Reid-McKee, will learn the results of her ministerial search and begin planning her relocation. Gary Beverly of the Sierra Club and Citizens Water Advisory Group (CWAG) will be honored as the Lovejoy award winner at the April 27 Albert Lovejoy Dinner at Prescott College. The Tom Pettit Social Justice Award winner will also be honored at the Lovejoy dinner.

Past President, Mary Ann Clark, is planning to attend the UUA General Assembly meeting in Spokane, WA from June 19-23 as a delegate for GPUUC. Elayne Hayes will serve as an off-site delegate. Bev Bostrom is serving at G.A. as the Chief Usher. If you would also like to attend G.A. as a representative of GPUUC, please let me know a.s.a.p. so the Board of Trustees can approve your delegate status. There is some financial aid available for GPUUC delegates through our Leadership Development Committee that is headed by Mary Ann Clark. Also, the cost of registration for G.A. is waived for volunteers. Please see: <https://www.uua.org/ga/registration/financialaid/volunteer> for more information and talk with Bev Bostrom and Robert Shegog about their G.A. volunteer experiences in past years. The deadline for volunteers to apply is March 31, so don’t delay!

What are your thoughts about Granite Peak U.U. Congregation as we enter this exciting month? Please feel free to share them with me!

The next Board meeting is Tuesday, April 16 at 5:30 in FD. Guests are welcome to attend.

## Minister Search News

### Greetings from your Ministerial Search Committee!

We are so excited to report to you that we have a candidate! We are not allowed to tell you their name or give you information on them until the Negotiating Team and the Board have executed a signed contract. This should happen relatively quickly, certainly before candidating week.



Speaking of which, candidating week will be April 26 through May 5. Our candidate will be conducting the Sunday Services on April 28 and May 5 and will be meeting with groups and committees all week. We will contact the various groups and committees shortly to arrange events that week where you will have the opportunity to meet and get to know them. We encourage you to take this opportunity. Immediately after the service on May 5 the congregation will hold a meeting where the only item on the agenda will be a vote to call our next minister. It is very important that you attend this meeting.

As usual, feel free to ask questions of any of us on the committee.

## The Forum

9:30 am

Wednesdays

Meetings are on Wednesdays from 9:30 am. to 11 am, with coffee and cold beverages provided. We won't solve all the world's problems, but we will discuss them and learn from each other.



**YOU YOU:** an open support group for people who want to deal with obstacles in their lives and explore moving forward, together. Facilitated by Joelle Katan. We'll create it together in the spirit of faith, deep listening, and collective wisdom. Meeting First and Third Wednesdays from 1 to 2 pm at Granite Peak UUC.

**BE INCLUDED** in our new family directory



Lifetouch

All members and friends of GPUUC are encouraged to participate by being photographed for our New Congregational Directory.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDARS...for your best time. SIGN-UPS Began SUNDAY, 3/24 In Davis Hall after the service and will continue through April 7.

REMEMBER: Everyone who has a picture taken will receive a FREE 8 X 10 photo and a copy of the New Directory.

If, for some reason, you will not be available to be photographed during the times listed, please contact Bev Bostrom, to make special arrangements.

## Caregivers' Support Group now at 1:30 pm

Our group will be meeting once a month and then according to the needs of the group. If you are a caregiver who feel you would benefit from sharing your experiences with others please join us on the **fourth Wednesday of the month at 1:30 pm** at Granite Peak. For questions please contact Bobbie Bollinger.



“Paradoxically, we achieve true wholeness only by embracing our fragility and sometimes, our brokenness.” Jalaja Bonheim

## Rummage Sale 2019

The rummage sale is always a lot of work by a lot of congregants, but we had fun doing it! As of Monday, we have deposited \$4941.60 from the rummage with more to trickle in. We will make our \$ 5000 goal!





**General Assembly  
2019—June 19-23,  
Spokane, WA,  
The Power of We**

In a time of great challenge and heartbreak in our world, what does our faith demand from us? At this year’s General Assembly we will explore the power, possibility, purpose, struggle and joy of finding the path forward together as Unitarian Universalists. The 2019 Ware Lecturer is Richard Blanco.

Selected by President Obama as the fifth inaugural poet in U.S. history, Richard Blanco is the youngest and the first Latino, immigrant, and gay person to serve in such a role.

**If you are interested in being considered for one of our three delegate positions for General Assembly,** complete the GA Delegate form (contact Patti for a copy) and return it to the Board of Trustees by April 30. The Board will be appointing our delegates at their May meeting.

“By choosing integrity, I become more whole, but wholeness does not mean perfection. It means becoming more real by acknowledging the whole of who I am.” Parker Palmer

**Adult Faith Development**

An Introduction to Islam

Saturdays, April 13 & 20

Do you wish you knew more about Islam and the Quran? Mary

Ann Clark will be presenting 2 two-hour sessions introducing the basics of Islam and exploring some of the more controversial (from a Western viewpoint) portions of the Quran.

Let’s talk about the early history of Islam, its central teachings and moral code, its relationship to Eastern European Unitarianism, and special topics like Sharia (the law), veiling, jihad, the rise of the Islamist Movement and just war theory. Questions? Contact Mary Ann.



**Sunday Soup and Munch**

(Formally Known as Soup Lunch) April 21, 2019



We continue to broaden our horizons. Our March Soup and Munch will be on Sunday, April 21, 2019. This means that available food can now include soups, salads or perhaps a casserole . We do ask that all items be sufficient for 8-12 servings. As in the past we will also be including breads and desserts.

We will continue the practice that the cost for a bowl and plate for soups and other gastronomic delights will be \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

For any questions regarding the “Soup and Munch,” please contact Clark Reid-McKee.



**Children’s Religious Education**

*Cassie Delaney  
Faith Development Coordinator*

The month of April we are finishing the 7 principles of UU. They’re creating books, playing games, and learning new songs. We will also start cleaning and taking care of our garden! The Nursery is reading stories focused on the principles of UU, offering opportunities to create a project, and color something to coincide with the lesson.

If you have young children, please feel free to utilize our complementary nursery service and enjoy the worship time. Kids are welcome throughout the congregation and may remain wherever they are comfortable.

The date for Parent’s Night Out will be announced soon . With a \$7 donation per child, you can enjoy two hours of kid free time at night knowing they’ll be in good hands with Adam and Emma. The kids will be able to play, watch a movie, do a craft and eat pizza!

Please text Cassie if you want more information. 928-607-5681. Thank you for all that you do to support our children and youth!

## Granite Peak Vision and Mission Statements

**Vision:** Where ALL are welcomed, encouraged and nurtured.

**Mission:** We are a compassionate spiritual community that:

- Celebrates diversity
- Nourishes the personal and spiritual growth of all ages
- Shares our gifts
- Promotes justice for all
- Serves the world we live in.

“Those who love you are not fooled by mistakes you have made or dark images you hold about yourself. They remember your beauty when you feel ugly; your wholeness when you are broken; your innocence when you feel guilty; and your purpose when you are confused.” Alan Cohen

## 2019 Summer Camp

The Faith Development committee is developing a scholarship program to help send Granite Peak youth to summer



camp at Camp De Benneville Pines in Angelus Oaks, California in the San Bernadino Mountains.

We will be offering scholarships that will reimburse one-half of the registration cost.

This year the summer camps will be held as follows

- \* UU Elementary School Summer Camp (Completed Grades 2-5) 7/07 - 7/13
- \* UU Middle School Summer Camp (Completed Grades 6-8) 7/14 - 7/20
- \* UU Senior High Summer Camp (Completed Grades 9-12) 7/21 - 7/27

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Clark Reid-McKee.

## Music Director News

by Noelene Patterson

*Music soothes the soul*

The choir has special music for you on April 7, under the conduction of Kelli Walker Hart. Then the baton goes to Jonathan Best for the month of April and part of May. We are so lucky to have such talent leading us up until the end of our choir year and hope you are here to enjoy our music until next fall.

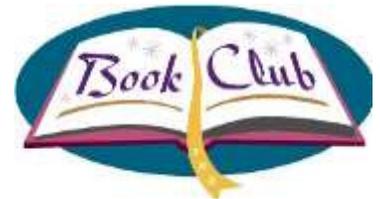
After two months of so many things going on at GP Coffeehouse Jam will resume at the end of April, so practice and contact me should you want to be a part of the program. Many of you have asked when it would resume and we could probably still continue during the summer. Let me know what your thoughts are about this.

Remember, we will still welcome you to sing and enjoy contributing to GP's awesome musical ministry!



## Radical Tapioca Fruit Soup Literary Guild

By Norma West



Everyone who loves reading is welcome to join us for a lively book discussion on the 4th Saturday of each month from 10 am-12 noon.

We are once again going to meet at the Manzanita Common House thanks to Joan Burrell's generosity. Coffee and tea will be provided and if you'd like to bring a sack lunch or a snack for others to share it's fine. It's also fine just to show up and share your love of reading with us!

**April 27, 2019:** “*The True American*” by Anand Giridharadas

**May 25, 2019:** “*The Miracle Life of Edgar Mint*” by Brady Udall

**June 22, 2019:** “*The Line Becomes a River: Dispatches From The Border*” by Francisco Cantu

“If the world were merely seductive, that would be easy; if the world were merely challenging, that would be no problem. But I wake up each morning torn between a desire to save the world and a desire to savor the world. This makes it very hard to plan the day.” E. B. White

## Second Monday Drum Circle, and Prayers and Feathers Ceremony



**April 8, 2019 at 6 pm**  
Granite Peak UUC. Prescott

We welcome all to our Circle. Bring a friend and your drums and join us. We have extra drums and rattles for those who need one.

As part of our April drumming, we will be doing a ceremony called “*Prayers and Feathers*”. We celebrate Earth Day this month and this ceremony honors Mother Earth.

We ask everyone to please bring a feather of any size and a simple prayer for Mother Earth written on a small piece of paper. We will each attach our feather to a staff holding many other prayer feathers where the breath of Brother Wind surrounding the feathers carries our prayers to Spirit. The prayers on paper will be burned in a sacred fire where the smoke will carry them to Spirit.

So come and drum and enjoy! You are always invited to bring a brief reading or poem to share in our sacred Circle.

Blessings to all

Namaste

**Watch for the Social Justice Update  
tentatively scheduled for 11:45  
am, Sunday, April 14.**

## Social Justice Ministry

By Mirel Manning  
Social Justice Coordinator



Dear congregants,

Dearest community,

The spring air brings me excitement--for new projects and possibilities.

This morning, I met someone in the community who knows about Granite Peak because of our support getting Coalition for Compassion and Justice off the ground. What a delight it was to talk to her! The strength of our social justice program resonates widely. From LINC, Empty Bowls, CCJ, Quad City Interfaith Council, the Miller Valley school collaboration, and ELL classes, to the Juvenile detention services, MLK Day celebration, Day at the Legislature, UUJAZ Action and Issues day, Seeds of Support, a White Privilege series, and countless marches, rallies, and workshops, our work has been widespread and varied. As we prepare to welcome a new minister into our congregation, we have an opportunity to define what social justice means to us now. What are we harvesting from past years of justice work? What seeds are we planting?

The Social Justice Council retreat was meaningful and we would like to engage the entire congregation in a conversation about our social justice program. Here is a glimpse into some of the current goals of the Council. This Spring, we are reviewing and revising the Council structure and procedures. Over the next year, we will involve the congregation in a review and prioritization of current and potential projects. By December, we will strengthen our connection with local, state, and national organizations that align with the congregation's priorities. Overall, we want to provide the congregation with experiential projects and education to get more engaged in social justice. Join us on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> in the sanctuary after the service for a social justice update and discussion.

As we move forward, I invite you to reflect on your own involvement in social justice in the congrega-

tion: what has inspired you? What are your current dreams for justice?

Love, Miriel

**Social Justice Reflective Service:**

First Wednesday of the Month  
Wednesday April 3 at 7:00 am.



Everyone is invited to join in this powerful early morning Social Justice Reflective Service that is held on the first Wednesday of every month. Through this service we connect with each other and support our social justice work as a truly spiritual practice. Yes this is very early in the morning for many of us but it is well worth the effort!



**Seeds of Support for April is the Opportunity Scholarship at Yavapai College**

Last year our Granite Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation

established a scholarship with the Yavapai College Foundation called the ‘Opportunity Scholarship.’

This was in direct response to the increased tuition for those not eligible for in-state tuition when the Arizona Supreme Court decided on April 9th 2018, “DACA recipients, often called DREAMers, who have been granted "lawful status" but not "legal status" do not qualify to pay resident [in-state tuition] rates.” For Dreamers at Yavapai College, this means their tuition jumped on average from \$2,280 to \$9,120, based on the YC Net Price Calculator 2017-2018.

Through your support last year we helped an honor student who was about to drop out, remain enrolled. There are many more students in our community who have been working full time to pay their tuition, but now fear they will not be able to finish their college education as a result of this ruling. The scholarship application deadline for the fall semester is May 31, so there is an urgent need to fund this scholarship now. Please donate!

**Help a Dreamer attend college!**

**Seeds of Support Policy:**

*In the spirit of generosity our congregation will donate HALF of the first four Sundays, in a month, cash plate to the SOS recipient of the month AND checks designated for SOS in the memo line will be accepted all month long. Please give generously to our local organizations that ARE making a difference in our community.*



**Albert Lovejoy Memorial Social Justice Award Dinner.**

**April 27, 5 pm**

**Prescott College Crossroads Center South  
220 Grove Ave, Prescott, AZ 86301**

This is the ninth year that the Granite Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation will honor an outstanding Yavapai County advocate for social justice.

The award was established to honor Albert Lovejoy, a beloved member of Granite Peak and PUUF who was known for a lifetime of social justice work. Each year since his passing, a prominent leader from the greater Prescott area is selected for the Albert Lovejoy Memorial Social Justice Award based on their ongoing and exemplary work for the cause of social justice.



This year’s honoree is Gary Beverly, PhD. Gary is most well-known for his environmental activism, using photography, writing, community organizing, public speaking, and the law to protect the upper Verde River. Gary has been recognized as a leader and award-winner by Sierra Club and the Citizens Water Advocacy Group.

He is also affiliated with the Center for Biological Diversity, Arizona Wilderness Coalition, Grand Canyon Trust, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Great Old Broads for Wilderness, and Save the Dells.

Professionally, Gary’s activities have been equally impressive and varied. They’ve ranged from tenured faculty member at Yavapai College to solar contractor with other positions as a potter, gallery owner,

farmer, educational sales representative, and business owner.

Join us to celebrate local environmental activism and honor Gary Beverly. We'll hear from Gary, enjoy entertainment and good food, and acknowledge the Tom Pettit Grant recipient. It is an opportunity to meet others from the community who are involved in social justice work. Tickets are \$30 and are available until April 21st at: Granite Peak Unitarian Universalist Congregation, (928) 541-0000, or at <https://gpuuc.ticketbud.com/lovejoy-dinner>

Contact Miriel Manning at [socialjusticegranitepeakuu@gmail.com](mailto:socialjusticegranitepeakuu@gmail.com) with any questions.



### Green Sanctuary Re-Certification Begins

GPUUC earned its Green Sanctuary (GS) certification in 2003 thanks to the efforts of our initial Green Sanctuary Committee and through UUA's Ministry for the Earth. The program has been updated over the years and it is recommended that congregations reassess their GS program periodically, especially in light of the urgency of climate change.

The Social Justice Council voted in March to support the creation of a new team and re-certification. A new GPUU member, Shea Richland, has volunteered to lead this effort ...just in time for Earth Month.

The recertification process team will perform assessments and create an action plan to help our congregation progress in four areas: environmental justice, worship, religious education and sustainable living. For more Green Sanctuary information visit: [www.uua.org/environment/sanctuary](http://www.uua.org/environment/sanctuary).

Anyone interested in being a part of this collaborative process can connect with Shea during Coffee Hour at the Green Sanctuary Table. Shea intends to schedule an exploratory meeting sometime in April.

#### - WANTED -

Anyone with direct knowledge or experience surrounding GPUU's initial Green Sanctuary certification process (including records).

## Library Corner

*By Steve Cook*

### GPUUC Library to loan Choices We Make card decks

Many of you know that I run a non-profit educational website called Project Worldview ([www.projectworldview.org](http://www.projectworldview.org)). What you may not know is that the public phase of this effort to create a framework for understanding Reality and "the confusion of existence" began nearly thirty years ago—and that it is about to enter a new phase: introducing Choices We Make playing cards to the educational—including UU—community. These decks include fifty-two cards with quite different themes on each side—themes that define a choice.

Examples: the Ace of Diamonds has "Evidence-Based" and "Faith-Based";

the Ace of Hearts has "Cautious Processing" and "Relaxed, Generous, Loving";

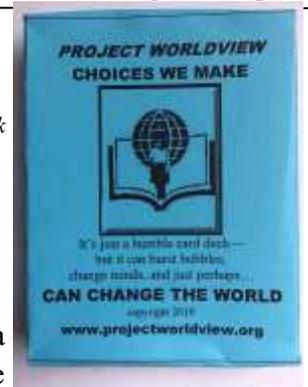
the Ace of Clubs has "Hierarchical Rigidity" and "Egalitarian Progressive";

the Ace of Spades has "Freedom From Limits" and "Limits & Ethics."

Besides title, each card side contains a descriptive summary of the theme.

Preliminary discussion involving GPUUC leaders in adult education, social justice, environmental justice (incl. Green Sanctuary), book discussion, etc. suggests upcoming programs in these and other areas might benefit from use of Choices We Make cards. To help explore that possibility, the GPUUC Library has ten of these fifty-four card decks available for loan. Two of the cards contain instructions—including how to use the cards to characterize your own worldview, and access online resources (including quantitative analysis of your choices) to aid this effort and make it more meaningful.

If interested please go to the Choices We Make box in the GPUUC Library book check in / out area in the



entry foyer. Inside you'll find a "Reference / for display only" card deck for examination purposes, along with the decks available for loan. Please sign the special check out sheet you'll find there or, if no decks are available for check out, sign the waiting list. Returning a deck you've checked out along with a completed feedback questionnaire—also found in the box—will help us plan follow up discussion sessions, etc.

Note: Before I head off for three weeks in Europe, I will staff an information table in the library area before and after the service on Sunday March 31 to answer your questions.

## Introducing New Member Fred Bremer

*By Paula Burroughs*



After graduating with a history degree from college in the Midwest, where he'd lived his entire life, Fred headed West for a position in Human Resources for staff in Yellowstone National Park. He'd planned to work a while but stayed there for ten years. During that time, he met Crissy who was also working with the park service. They married in 2004 and became the proud parents of Toliver eleven years ago.

While Fred enjoyed the natural surrounding and his friendships in Montana, he and his family found Prescott to be a place they'd like to live. When visiting Prescott during Spring Break last year, Fred was hired for a position in the AZ Motor Vehicle Division. Fred does not miss shoveling deep snow on his driveway or sometimes struggling to get to work during winters in Montana. In addition to leaving daily snow shoveling behind, he is now planning to camp more and ski less.

The Bremers visited PUUF after moving to Prescott and appreciated the warmth of that community but were looking for a congregation with children and youth where Toliver would have access to a religious education program and meet people his age. Fred noted the importance for Toliver, Crissy, and he to belong to a multigenerational congregation. Becoming involved with Granite Peak UUC has also afforded the family a welcomed break for an ongoing,

seemingly unending remodeling of their new home.

Fred appreciates knowing that at GPUUC, he joins with people with the values and goals he shares, and looks forward to Prescott, his neighborhood, his home and work and his UU congregation becoming his "new normal."

## Introducing New Member Edna Moglewer

*by Paula Burroughs*



Edna's history is rich in Irish culture on her mother's side, World War I stories from her father who was captured and then rescued by a young West Point officer and her husband who was educated at the Navel Academy and served in the Pacific aboard the USS San Diego during WWII.

Edna was born in Ohio, married for 70 years and has three children, a son who now lives in Aspen, CO, a daughter living near Bayshore, CA, and her youngest daughter who resides here in Prescott. Edna achieved a B.A. in library science and after teaching a few years she chose to be at home while raising her children, primarily in California.

Edna's husband, Sid, was Jewish but she had no strong religious affiliation. After Sid's death over a year ago, Edna found GPUUC where the Principles most closely matched her own beliefs. She says with a smile that she is a humanitarian humanist. She has become involved with the congregation, most recently during the annual rummage sale and is a welcomed member to the GPUUC community.



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