



NEWSLETTER

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LESSON TOPICS FOR APRIL 2019

APRIL 7 THE SINGLE EYE

Mr. Wayne Gatewood

Throughout our waking moments we go from one train of thought to another. We think on our happiness, we think on our future, we think on our past, we think on our health, and we think on all things that are out here in the material world. As we have come to know, our thinking, and what we think upon with feeling, creates our reality...good or bad. It is only when we realize our Truth in God; ONE in and of him, and when we practice his presence, that we see clearly, and all is good...and very good. *"The light of the body is the eye, if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light."* Matt 6:22 KJV

APRIL 14 HOSANNA

Palm Sunday

Rev. Janet Friedline

The people welcomed Jesus with palm branches and shouts of "hosanna." They were expecting a king. But Jesus did not come to rule, but to serve. During Holy Week, Jesus took the steps that reveal eternal life. We must do the same.

APRIL 21 THERE IS NO END

Easter Sunday

Rev. Donna Gatewood

From the human perspective, life seems to have a beginning and an end. But human birth and human death do not really reveal the entire history of the revelation of the soul.

APRIL 28 A NEW BEGINNING

Ordination

Dr. Al G. Salazar

A new beginning is not an improved version of the old. New implies something that does not have any part of the old. Not unlike a place where we have never been. This "new" awaits you this very moment.





KNOW YE NOT?

Rev. Pat Beach

God has already given us so many gifts that we do not even know or remember them all. One of the greatest blessings is our ability to choose where we give our attention. This ability is too easily forgotten in a world of distractions and fragmented appearances. Yet, this is essential to living life as it is meant to be lived -- from the inner realm to the outer instead of the other way around.

Jesus taught that entering the Kingdom of God within is the way to know the Life more abundant. As we increasingly practice giving attention to Divinity in our midst, the Christ Consciousness is revealed and God's Presence is realized as the Wholeness of Creation.

God of All, thank you for the ability to be present to the Wholeness that has been so since the beginning. Amen.

"You realize, don't you, that you are the temple of God, and God himself is present in you...Everything is already yours as a gift...all of it is yours and you are privileged to be in union with Christ who is in union with God." I Corinthians 3:16, 22, 23 The Message



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7, Sunday - 9:00 am

Divine Science Classes start

- ♣ Spiritual Psychology with Rev. Donna Gatewood
- ♣ Higher Training and Consecration with Rev. Janet Friedline

April 7, Sunday - 12:15 pm

Alumni Presentation with James Tomaski

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April 14, Sunday - 11:00 am

PALM Sunday

April 14, Sunday - 12:15 pm

Board Meeting

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April 21, Sunday, 11:00 pm

Easter Service

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April 28, Sunday, 11:00 am

Ordination of Mr. Wayne Gatewood

Followed by Reception

Easter Lilies



A sign-up sheet has been placed on the table in the library where you may indicate how many lovely Easter lilies you would like to purchase to help decorate our sanctuary for Easter. The cost is \$15. You may take them home after the Easter service on April 21 and plant them, admire them or give them as gifts!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we slowly emerge from the blanket of winter, there have been a number of situations at our church, of which you should be aware.

1. As was reported in the March Newsletter, the computer and monitor in the church office had to be replaced. This was done to a cost of \$2,017.82 to Dell Computers plus an additional \$400 for technical support to upstart the new system. The new system is quick, clear and very efficient. We are grateful to practitioner, Wayne Gatewood for his generous gift of \$2,500.00 to the church in the form of a tithe, covering the aforementioned costs.

2. As of this writing, the complete boiler system that supplies heat to the church must be replaced. Sunday services shall be held in the library until the weather is warm enough for us to move back into the sanctuary. This is not an "easy fix event". The present boiler system is not longer made and Building and Facilities manager, Wayne Gatewood has sent out proposals and is getting estimates from at least 2 - 3 companies to seek the best price for purchase and installation of a new system. This is a very serious and expensive undertaking, but a very necessary one.

3. Save the date!! As a fundraiser to support the General Fund, the Board of Trustees is planning a musical gala to take place on Saturday evening, July 20 at 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. It will feature opera, musical theatre from our regular soloists and special invited jazz/blues performers. In order for the church to see the most profit, many Board members have volunteered to sponsor a number of items to help put a cap on the costs to the church. YOU may also help in this way. Please see any Board member. In addition to tickets, we will offer a journal in which you may purchase ads, full pages or a portion or be listed as a

patron. Our official kick-off will be at the Annual Meeting in May. You may make purchases in person or, through the church office as a "will call" or at the door. Our official title is "A Midsummer Night's Music." This is an event that will be open to the public, therefore, we expect you to invite friends, neighbors and family members to attend. In addition, advertisement in the form of PSA's local newspapers and flyers will go out into the community. We have not had an event like this for some time and we are happy to have this event in our very own sanctuary, as we do have a beautiful baby grand piano. All detailed information will be available to you at the kick-off as well as in the May Newsletter.



4. It is critical that you be reminded of the church needs. We are fortunate that we were bequeathed a considerable sum of money by a member of our congregation just a few short years ago. Since that time, our church has been able to keep its doors open because of this sum. However, it will not last forever. Needless to say, our congregation has decreased over the years, but there are a number of people that we see some Sunday's and then we don't see them for a while. Divine Science is available to all, but as in any physical place of worship, we need you and your help. Please don't hesitate to let the Board know of suggestions or of your availability to give of yourself in the service of the church.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse...and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Malachi 3:10

Respectfully,
Shirley Taylor Moore, President
Board of Trustees

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Divine Grace Series

On March 3, 2019, the Alumni Association invited Patricia Shields to speak about "Divine Grace." Pat began her presentation with a prayer, thanking the Father for his presence, and for our church family.

Pat said "Divine Grace" is the special favor that God has given us, or will give us, and that without "Divine Grace" she believes she would not be here speaking before us today.

Pat went on to reference a moment when a young lady said to her "You really love your God." Pat said she really wanted the young lady to know, and understand that there is only one God, one who hears ALL prayers. This same young lady also asked Pat; "Why do you think your God let you suffer with an illness?" Pat went on to explain that she did not see her illness as God allowing her to suffer, but she actually viewed her illness as deliverance. Having a different perspective about her illness, she recognized it as being a process that helped to shape, and mold her into the person she is today, the person she was always meant to be.

Pat closed her presentation by reminding us; God is always speaking, so when we ask God a question we should pay attention, and wait for the answer. The answer may not come right away, but it will be revealed to us, because the hand of God is forever moving within our lives.



IT'S A SPECIAL SUNDAY



It is going to be a very special day at our church on Sunday, April 28, 2019!

Long time church member, teacher and practitioner, Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr. will be ordained into the Divine Science Ministry during the regular 11 o'clock service. His friend and mentor, our Minister Emeritus, Dr. Al G. Salazar will be officiating. Dr. Salazar will also be delivering the Sunday lesson.

Immediately following the ordination, there will be a reception to celebrate this joyous occasion.

We invite you all to come and witness this wonderful event in Wayne's life.



Ongoing Prayer and Study Group

Tuesdays
6:30 pm

FLOWERS



The Flower Calendar for 2019 is up on the wall for anyone who would like to sign up to dedicate flowers to someone or for a special occasion. If you would like to secure a special date, this is the time to do so, since the calendar fills up quickly.

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TRAFFIC ISSUES

Sun, April 7, 7:15 am

Credit Union Cherry Blossom 10 miler
and 5 K Washington Monument,
Jefferson Memorial, Hains Pt, Lincoln
Memorial, Memorial Bridge.

Sun, April 14, noon - 5pm

Anacostia River Festival in Anacostia Park,
1900 Anacostia Dr., SE.

