



NEWSLETTER

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LESSON TOPICS FOR MAY 2019

MAY 5 THE WONDERFUL LAW OF GOD

Rev. Wayne Gatewood

The Law of God is upon all whether they know it or not. It is universal as well as personal and it is based upon unchanging and unlimited good and pure Principle. Abiding in the Law results in a joyous and full life, it leads to knowledge and understanding, and a greater realization of the loving Presence that lives us, moves us, and has our being.

Conversely, living outside of the Law of God is a choice we may make, and it has its own rewards, and they are shallow and often times harsh.

MAY 12 OUR REAL IDENTITY

Rev. Janet Friedline

Each of us is called by a personal name, and we claim identity according to how we know us. But behind the persona is a different name; let us discover what it is.

MAY 19 LOVE HEALS

Rev. Donna Gatewood

Love is not something that we put on from the outside. We give it birth and life and substance by the activity that takes place within ourselves.

MAY 26 REST IN ME

Rev. Janet Friedline

We live busy and productive lives. But at times we grow weary of the constant activity, and we long for rest and solitude. In the quiet time we are renewed and restored. Let us go there often.





SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Rev. Pat Beach

The search for spiritual direction can come from maturity or more likely from crisis. At some point, most of us will discover a need to look beyond the visible and mental realms of life. Any number of approaches may be taken through books, classes, teachers or a wide variety of guides. All of those avenues will help but only to the degree they show us we already have within us everything we need. Everything else is a distraction.

This inward journey is not easy and must be taken with discipline and dedication. The Bible even tells us that strait is the gate and narrow the way, So the motivation must be great. Even with great motivation, we must choose the path wisely. To that end one of the Divine Science founders Malinda Cramer gives an explicit instruction. Her message that takes us directly from searching to finding says, "In Science, we are not working toward Principle but working from Principle." Everything else is misguided.

To work from Principle is to be in union with the Divine by continually turning inward to God in prayer and meditation. Here, any sense of separation dissolves because Wholeness is realized as all there is. Here, God alone fills heaven and earth -- *and beside this there is none else.*

God of All Being, thank You forever for Oneness as the Way, the Truth and the Life. For so it is. Amen.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

1. The church Annual Meeting and reception will be held on Sunday, May 19 immediately following the service. At this time the state of the church and its activities for the past year will be reported to you. Also at this time, new members to the Board of Trustees will be announced. Only members of the church will have participated in the election. The new Board will meet immediately and officers will be elected for the coming year. All are invited to attend the meeting. In addition, we will also use this meeting as our grand kick off for our fundraising music gala to be held Saturday evening, July 20th, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. here at the church. The cost of tickets is \$25.00 for an evening of opera, musical theater and jazz. All performed by our church soloists as well as other area professional performers. A journal whereby you can purchase a page or portion thereof is also available. The costs are: full page \$100, half page \$50 quarter page \$25, patrons, \$20 (your name listed). We want to fill the sanctuary seats, therefore we need you to bring your friends and family. Your ticket also entitles you to a "meet the artists" reception following the performance. You may purchase tickets from any

Board member or reserve your ticket by calling the church. All proceeds from this event will go to the church General Fund.

2. At the April Board meeting it was reported that the Bookstore continues to thrive, with a net income of the first quarter of the year of \$711.73. This includes sales of books, CD's, new library memberships and tithes.

3. Two Divine Science classes are currently in session, Spiritual Psychology and Higher Training and Consecration taught by Rev. Donna Gatewood and Rev. Janet Friedline, respectively.

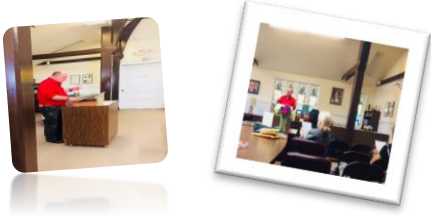
4. Rev. Wayne Gatewood, our Building & Facilities liaison has reported that he is getting estimates from various companies to replace the boiler system, however, this work will not proceed until we have a better idea of the intentions of NPS. In the meantime, we are thankful, to be back in our sanctuary as the warmer season has arrived.

"God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work" II Corinthians 9:8

Respectfully,
Shirley Taylor Moore, President
Board of Trustees

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Divine Grace Series



On April 7, 2019, the Alumni Association invited James Tomaski to speak about "Divine Grace." James began his presentation by thanking the Alumni Association for the opportunity to speak today; he said he has always considered the Alumni Association to be a source filled with insight, truth and knowledge. James quoted Psalm 127, "Unless the Lord build the House they labor in vain that build it", and he acknowledges that the "Grace of God" and "Divine Grace" are the same.

James went on to say that in the pass he looked at the "Grace of God" as a means to receive what he wanted in life, but now he seeks God for the sake of God, and upon doing so, he knows that all things will be added onto him.

He also revealed that he had a key interest in reading and studying Ralph Waldo Emerson, the American scholar who went to Rome in the 1830's. He quoted from Emerson's The Universal Outlook, saying the ultimate authority is within yourself, your state of consciousness. Acknowledging that a state of mind centered on God is a power, and a presence over which there is no other power. James reminds us to seek the "Grace of God" through the practice of prayer and meditation, we can teach ourselves to pray, and move into a state of mind that is centered on God through an ongoing practice.

James said he uses RUCATS when he prays. The first step is recognition of the presence of God; the second step is unification; your conscious contact with God. When you create this state of mind it has a powerful effect on life's outcomes, it is the opposite of fear and indecision. Last, we give thanks to God, and avoid outlining how things are to be done, that must be left to the Universal Mind.

BOOKSTORE FINANCIAL REPORT

Thanks to all of you that purchase your books from the bookstore we continue to make a profit from these sales. We are very grateful for your continued support.

The Profit and Loss (P&L) Statement for the first quarter of the church fiscal year is presented below. The Statement shows a net income of \$381.88. Our total income for the quarter was \$711.73. This amount is made up of \$547.34 in book sales, \$95.39 in tithes, \$20.00 in two new library memberships, \$46.00 for the sale of CDs and \$3.00 for reimbursement of postage and handling.

Our expenses for the same period totaled \$330.15. This amount includes \$294.50 for the purchase of books to stock the bookstore and \$35.65 in postage and handling to mail a book to a foreign country.

The P&L Statement in its entirety is shown below.

Bookstore Profit and Loss	
January 2019 to March 2019	
<u>Income</u>	
Book Sales	547.34
Contributions – Other	95.39
Membership	20.00
Reimbursed Expenses	3.00
Tape and CD sales	46.00
Total Income:	711.73
<u>Expenses</u>	
Book Purchases	294.50
DC Sales & Use Taxes	35.65
Total Expenses:	330.15
<u>Net Profit</u>	381.58

Love and Blessings,
Rev. Donna Gatewood

IT WAS A SPECIAL DAY

Sunday, April 28, 2019 was a very special day for our church family for two wonderful reasons. Dr. Al Salazar, our Minister Emeritus, came to deliver the Sunday lesson "A New Beginning." Following the lesson, Dr. Salazar ordained Practitioner, Wayne Mayo Gatewood, Jr. in a lovely ceremony. After the ceremony, Rev. Wayne Gatewood was presented to the congregation for the first time.

Immediately following the ordination, Rev. Gatewood was greeted and congratulated by members of the church family, his extended family, and a crowd of friends. After all of the congratulations, a delicious and plentiful buffet was served.

As a gift from the congregation, Rev. Gatewood received a large silver Paul Revere bowl which was engraved with the words:

"Rev. Wayne Mayo Gatewood, Jr.

Ordained April 28, 2019

With Love and Gratitude from the

Divine Science Church Family"

In addition to the silver bowl, the new Rev. Gatewood received many cards and other gifts.

Rev. Gatewood will be giving his first lesson as a minister on Sunday, May 5, 2019. In addition he expects to spend more days in the church office providing a much deserved break for Revs. Janet Friedline and Donna Gatewood.

Our congratulations and gratitude to Wayne for taking this life changing step into his future. It is indeed "A New Beginning."



Wayne with Dr. Al G. Salazar, Rev. Janet Friedline, and Rev. Donna Gatewood



Afterward Reception at the Grace Faus Fellowship Hall



UPCOMING EVENTS



May 12, Sunday - 12:15 pm

Alumni Association Presentation with Ms.
Charmaine Hawkins

May 19, Sunday - 12:15 pm

Church Annual Meeting with lunch followed
by meeting of new Board.

TRAFIC ISSUES

Sun, May 5,

Race for Hope, 5K will start at Freedom
Plaza in DC (Pennsylvania Ave between
13th and 14th) 8:30 am

Sun, May 26,

Rolling Thunder motorcycle ride will tie up the
Pentagon/Memorial Bridge//Mall areas from
early morning.

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.

Ongoing Prayer and Study Group

***Tuesdays
6:30 pm***

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Rev. Wayne Gatewood 703-641-9141

OFFICE COVERAGE

Tuesdays - Rev. Janet Friedline

Wednesdays - Rev. Donna Gatewood

Thursdays - Rev. Wayne Gatewood

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