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LESSON TOPICS FOR NOVEMBER

Nov 6 SPIRITUAL HEALING Rev. Donna Gatewood

How do we turn from Allness to illness? Come see how we can let go of illness and return to Allness.

Nov 13 THIS TOO SHALL PASS Rev. Janet Friedline

The world of form begins and ends. Things come, and they go, leaving us to consider "what happened?" This is simply the ebb and flow of life as it relates to form. Be not dismayed. We are of God, eternal - no beginning and no end.

Nov 20 GRATITUDE AND GIVING Dr. Al G. Salazar, Minister Emeritus

Answered prayer need not be a hit or miss affair. Nor should it be an effort or a chore, but a way of life that takes no thought. Let us discover this day how we can set in motion a constant good in our lives.

Nov 27 LOSING IS ABOUT WINNING Rev. Donna Gatewood

Every aspect of life teaches us that we must lose before we can win. We must give up something before we can receive the prize.

GATHERING TOGETHER Rev. Pat Beach

At holidays and for many other special times, we join with family and friends to celebrate and commemorate the special things in life. For example, at Thanksgiving we gather together to acknowledge our many blessings. In fellowship with others, we experience the good in recognizing our common bond. This is true also when we come together in a place of worship, a place of congregation or assembly. From many different paths, we assemble to honor the *"One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."* (Ephesians 4:6)

And so it is as well, or even more, in the depths of silent prayer and meditation. In the temple within, we enter into a realm where all our seeming parts are united for one cause. Assembly takes place within us as we are united in body, mind, and soul recognizing the Good in our midst. In that place, what had been experienced as "me" becomes "we" and then "Thee." In attending (giving attention to) worship, the veils are rent and the wholeness, the Holiness of all things is revealed. In union and communion God is all there is.

Most Wondrous God, our Eternal Good, Thy Holy Name be praised forever and ever. Amen.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ITEM 1: ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER. On Sunday,

November 20, 2016, the Church will be holding its Annual Thanksgiving Dinner in the Grace Faus Fellowship Hall. Sign-up sheets are located on the table in the Library. Please sign up by noting what food items you will be bringing. We also need folks to assist in the setting up for the event and to help clean-up afterwards. Please participate in this great event that has been a huge success every year. Also, and most importantly, if you plan on attending, let us know the number of folks that shall be attending with you.



ITEM 2: UPDATE - CHURCH WEBSITE TO ALLOW FOR DONATIONS THROUGH PAY PAL AND CREDIT CARDS. This should be operational soon. I have set up the necessary e-mail address for PayPal. Next thing to do is establish the PayPal account and get a Donation Button on our Church website.

ITEM 3: FACILITIES - Replacement lighting has been installed where necessary and the downstairs toilets have once again been fitted with replacement parts. The Winter Season shall be upon us, and our Heating Company shall start performing its monthly maintenance of our furnace.

Stained Glass Windows within the Sanctuary are cracking and bowing...they have been in-place since 1906! I shall be looking to address this issue in the most cost-effective manner. **NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Sunday, November 13, 2016.

Love and blessings....

Wayne Gatewood President, Church Board of Trustees 703-641-9141 wgatew1617@aol.com

BOOKSTORE'S FEATURED BOOK



This month the bookstore is featuring a new book by Rupert Spira titled "The Intimacy of All Experience." This book is Volume II and the follow up book to "Presence—The Art of Peace and Happiness" which we featured a few months ago.

Reviewers of the book have made the following comments:

"....One of the most exciting and illuminating books on non-duality I have encountered, and its precision, articulate in naming the nameless, unparalleled depth and ability to inspire were constantly appreciated. This book succeeds in taking the reader beyond concepts and into the experiential level. The irony of this work, which is so advanced and sophisticated in its use of language, thought and conceptualization, is inexorably directed towards pure experiencing. It is a brilliant and lucid work carrying great strength and authority that suggest it is an indisputable source of Truth."

"These essays are both timeless and contemporary. They are timeless in pointing to that which never appears or disappears. They are contemporary in expressing nondual understanding in a way that is free of cultural baggage and that is accessible and relevant to ordinary Westerners...Enjoy these potent and revelatory writings, and be prepared to be unveiled as you truly are and to discover life as it truly is: open, selfillumined Presence."

We hope you will enjoy this featured book.

Rev. Donna Gatewood Bookstore Manager

BOOKSTORE PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

Below is the Profit and Loss Statement for the second quarter of 2016, July 1, 2016, through September 30.

This statement shows book sales in the amount of \$215.70, tape and CD sales in the amount of \$45.00; reimbursed expenses (postage and handling) \$57.85; and contributions in the amount of \$61.15. Making the total income \$379.70.

The statement also shows expenses in the amount of \$426.37 which was for the purchase of books. Subtracting the net expenses from the net income show a negative balance of \$46.67

Bookstore Profit and Loss July - September 2016

Income	
Book Sales	215.70
Contributions – Other	61.15
Reimbursed Expenses	57.85
Tape and CD sales	45.00
Total Income:	379.70
Expenses	
Book Purchases	426.37
Total Expenses:	426.37
Net Income:	-46.67

Your continued support of the bookstore and the lending library are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Love and Blessings, Donna Gatewood, Bookstore Manager

SUNDAY FLOWERS



We have posted the 2017 Flower Calendar outside the library/ bookstore. Please sign up for the Sundays when you would like to dedicate the flowers. The cost is \$25 and the flowers are yours to take home after the service. If you will not be at the service, you may leave directions for what you wish to have done with them or they will be "free raffled" during Coffee with Clarence.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

"The Kingdom of God Is Within You" Luke 17:21

The 2016-17 Alumni Association Program started October 2 with a presentation by Charmaine Hawkins. She began with the questions "What does this mean to me? Can I experience all aspects of the Kingdom in my life? Is the Kingdom like a sleepy giant that must be aroused?" She continued – "the Kingdom is like a sunken treasure chest waiting to be discovered. When I recognize The Kingdom of God Is Within Me, I will know God is in my thoughts and feelings."

Many thanks to Charmaine for her thought provoking presentation and the Alumni Association officers for providing the delicious food. Please join us Sunday, November 6, when Tony Hawkins will be our speaker.

A sign-up sheet has been placed on the table in the library where you may sign-up to speak or provide refreshments.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 6, Sunday Daylight Saving Time Ends-turn clocks back

Nov 6, Sunday, 12:15 pm, Alumni Presentation with Tony Hawkins.

Nov 13, Sunday, 12:15 pm, Board of Trustees Meeting.

Nov 17. Thursday, 7:00 pm, An Evening with Joel Goldsmith.

Nov 20, Sunday, 11:00 am, Dr. Al G. Salazar will speak; his topic will be "Gratitude and Giving."

Nov 20, Sunday, 12:15 Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner.

Ongoing Prayer/Study Groups:

Tuesdays - 6:30 pm

Third Thursday of the month – 7:00 pm An Evening with Joel Goldsmith

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Supreme Properties, Inc. Presents

Shirley Taylor Moore, Soprano George Peachey, Accompanist



An afternoon of Art Songs and Arias

Sunday, November 13, 3:00 p.m. Satterlee Hall, St. Albans Parish Church, at Wisconsin Ave and Massachusetts Avenue, next to the National Cathedral

> Parking on Grounds and Streets No Admission Charge

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