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LESSON TOPICS FOR OCTOBER

**Oct 1 THE HARMONY OF
 EXPERIENCE**
Rev. Janet Friedline

Life is meant to be joyful and abundant. But sometimes experience gets in the way. There is order and purpose to life, and when we go beyond experience, we will find it.

Oct 8 DIVINE DESIRE
Rev. Donna Gatewood

We cannot be satisfied with less than infinite good, for God within you is back of each and every longing and desire.

Oct 15 BEFORE CHRIST COMES
Rev. Donna Gatewood

While we live in a universe of relative values, the Christ is completely overshadowed and is not experienced and the doors to heaven are closed. But in every one of us there is a spiritual urge leading us to the promised land.

**Oct 22 BARRIERS AND
 LIMITATIONS**
Rev. Janet Friedline

Each of us makes decisions and determinations. Our choices may be helpful,

or not. We are responsible for what we have put in place. It can be no other way.

Oct 29 MIND STAYED ON GOD
Rev. Janet Friedline

It has been said that "where our treasure is, there will our heart be also." What do we treasure most; what do we hold dear? Only the pure in heart shall see God.

LIFE IS GOOD
Rev. Pat Beach

We've most often seen this phrase along with images of leisure activities that speak of having a "good time." The various activities we choose for that purpose are based entirely on our own definition of "good." To some, good means health or wealth. Others see their good as knowledge, position, title or even relationships. And yet to others, the word "good" really means God.

Those individuals believe that God is the highest, if not the only, good from which all other experiences arise. They believe that God is central to their being and that the practice of holding this in mind and heart is the ultimate good in Life. This practice might include something as simple as being reminded of God every time the word "good" is said or heard. So "good morning" or "good evening" are understood as "God's

morning” and “God’s evening.” Truly, this awareness is the good life, the Life more abundant that is His eternal promise.

Thank you, most Gracious God, that we may know that Your goodness and mercy are ever with us. Amen.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Greetings one and all. Summer has come and gone, and we are all back into our year-in routines by now.

ITEM #1 Friends and Family Sunday

I am pleased to announce that on Sunday, September 24, we had our third annual Chili Dog and Make a Sundae fundraiser. There were many familiar faces and a number of new ones. Through generous donations and food sales we were able to raise a record setting \$1,000. We are grateful to those individuals who supported the event by way of monetary donations, or chili dog and ice cream purchases, or both. All proceeds go to the church Building Fund. This event brings together members and friends of the church alike and I am especially thankful to each member of the Board of trustees for their role in the success of the afternoon.

ITEM #2 New Member

On Sunday, October 1st Rosalie Werback, who is presently enrolled in the Basic Principle class, officially joined our church family. We welcome Rosalie and wish her well as she embarks on her spiritual journey.

ITEM #3 New protective window

Due to deterioration from age and weather, new plexi-glass panes were installed over the inside and outside of the large stained glass window on the 35th Street side of the church. It is a step that many churches have taken to preserve the beauty of stained glass artistry. Fundraisers like the one mentioned earlier go toward covering these expenses.

“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew [their] strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; [and] they shall walk, and not faint”...Isaiah 40:31

Shirley Taylor Moore, President
Board of Trustees

WELCOME!

We are very happy to welcome our newest church member, Rosalie C. Werback, of Washington, DC.

PRACTITIONER ON DUTY

We are very pleased to announce that beginning in October we will have one of our new practitioners in the church office.

Practitioner Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr. will be available in the church office for prayer and/or spiritual counseling from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. You may call and make an appointment for a visit, call on the phone, or if you are in the neighborhood just drop in.

Mr. Gatewood can be reached at the church at 202-333-7630.

CHRISTMAS BOTIQUE



Rev. Friedline’s cousin, Douglas, is downsizing and he has donated eighty-four items to the church for our second Christmas Boutique. Items donated include antique glassware, treasures from trips abroad, Christmas ornaments, wreaths and garland, and many other unique items.

The Boutique will be open and ready for business October 15. Please take time to

browse the items and purchase what catches your eye. It is an easy way to start your Christmas shopping for someone special.

All proceeds from the items sold will go to the Church's General Fund.

**REV. DR. MIRIAM COMER JOHNSON
SEMINAR, OCTOBER 21, 2017**



We are delighted that Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson has agreed to come to Washington, DC, to present a one day seminar based on her new book, *Dark Night Bright Morning*. The date of this special event is Saturday, October 21, 2017. The seminar will begin at 9:30 in the morning and will end at 3:30. Below is the schedule for the seminar.

- 9:30-10:00 Meet and Greet
- 10:00-11:00 Open/Lecture
- 11:00-11:15 Break
- 11:15-12:00 Lecture
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:00 Lecture
- 2:00-2:15 Break
- 2:15-3:30 Lecture/Q&A/Close

The fee for attending Miriam's seminar is \$100 per person. Lunch is included. If you are interested in attending, please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the table in the library. Miriam has extended registration to October 21. Checks should be made out directly to Miriam Comer Johnson and sent to the church.

SUNDAY FLOWERS



We have posted the 2018 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 are not 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 Alumni Association would like to express gratitude and appreciation for all the speakers, attendees, and all those who gave support for the food, the set-up and the clean-up in the past year.

As we begin in October, Jacqueline Scotland will be the first speaker. This year we will not give anyone a biblical verse to speak on, but would like each speaker to choose their own biblical verse and express it from their heart and soul. We look forward to having a great year with the Alumni Association.

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

MEDITATION PHONE LINE

(202) 338-1240



At least once a year, we like to remind people of the call-in meditation line (202) 338-1240. This is a service provided by our church. Each day, one teacher, minister or practitioner records an inspirational message. The message is available 24/7 to uplift, comfort, and encourage us from the comfort of our own phones. Please feel free to share this with your friends and family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 1, Sunday, 12:15 pm, Alumni Presentation with Jacqueline Scotland.

Oct 8, Sunday, 12:30 pm, Board of Trustees Meeting.

Oct 15, Sunday, Boutique Opens!

Oct 21, Saturday, 9:30-3:30, Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson's Seminar. \$100 per person.

Ongoing Prayer/Study Groups:

Tuesdays – 6:30 pm

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TRAFFIC ISSUES

Sunday, Oct. 8, Taste of DC, 11 noon to 6 pm, RFK Stadium. Food, beer, wine and live entertainment.

Sunday, Oct. 8, Army Ten-Miler, start time 8 am, starts and ends at the Pentagon, crosses Memorial Bridge, goes on the mall and crosses 14th Street Bridge into Virginia.

Sunday, Oct 22, Marine Corps Marathon, start time 7:55 am, starts at the Pentagon, crosses Key Bridge into Georgetown, Rock Creek Park, Hains Point, the National Mall and returns to Virginia via the 14th Street Bridge to the finish line - the Marine Corps Memorial.

Sunday, Oct. 29, Making Strides 5K Walk, begins at 10 am at 15th and Constitution Ave, Washington Monument Grounds, goes down Mall and around Tidal Basin.

Divine Science Statement of Being

*God is all, both invisible and visible.
One Presence, One Mind, One Power is all.
This One that is ALL is Perfect Life, Perfect Love, and Perfect Substance.
Man is the individualized expression of God
And is ever one with this Perfect Life,
Perfect Love, and Perfect Substance*