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NEWSLETTER

**DIVINE SCIENCE CHURCH
OF THE HEALING CHRIST**

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LESSON TOPICS FOR SEPTEMBER

Sept. 3

GOD IS

Rev. Janet Friedline

We have certain ideas about God. But thinking about God is not the same as experiencing him. The receptive heart listens in an inward way. God is, and beside him there is none else.

FOR THIS CAUSE CAME I

Rev. Pat Beach

Those who practice living with a clearly defined purpose in mind are not subjected to all of the world’s winds and waves. As we align with a specific, intentional reason for being, our actions can all contribute toward that end. This harmonious way of living from the inner realm to the outer gives life much meaning and satisfaction.

Sept 10

GOD'S CALL

Rev. Donna Gatewood

Is the prospect that we might actually fulfill our potential frightening to us? If it is the Bible tells us what to do.

Those who practice being attuned to the forces within begin to recognize that these come through us but they are *not of us*. We awaken to the reality that we are united with a Higher Realm of Life. Our purpose then, our only prayer becomes, *“Speak Lord, thy servant heareth.”*

Sept 17

THE FIVE Ws

Rev. Donna Gatewood

All cub reporters are taught that a newspaper story must contain the "Five Ws." Our spiritual life is similar.

“Hearken to me, come to me, listen and you shall revive...As rain and snow from heaven fall not in vain, but water earth until it yields...so with the promise that has passed my lips: it falls not fruitless and in vain, but works out what I will and carries out my purpose.” Isaiah 55:3, 10, 11

Sept 24

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

Rev. Janet Friedline

Each of us expects certain things from life. As we grow in understanding, our expectations change. This is life's way of moving us into new places. It is what is needed - let us welcome and embrace it.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings church family. I hope that everyone has had a pleasant summer whether a "stacation" or some travel. There is not much to report, since the Board does not meet over the summer. However, there are a few reminders in order.

Item 1: Bring a Friend to Church - Chili Dog/Make a Sundae: On Sunday, September 24, we ask that you invite friends and family members to join us for worship and to join us in the downstairs fellowship hall for chili dogs, chips, soft drinks and sundaes. This is a fundraiser for the Church Building Fund but the cost is nominal and, your guests get a chili dog, bag of chips, soft drink and sundae for free. We look forward to seeing you and your friends.

Item 2: New Practitioners: As a result of Dr. Salazar's monthly trips this past winter and spring, we are pleased to announce that we now have two new practitioners at our church. They are Jacqueline Scotland and Wayne Gatewood. In addition, we have two new graduates from the church's curriculum of six Divine Science courses. They are Marsha Miné and Judy Coleman-Kla. We welcome them into the Alumni Association and look forward to hearing their presentations in the coming year.

Item 3: Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson Seminar: We are delighted that Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson has agreed to come to Washington, D.C. to present a one day seminar based on her new book, *Dark Night Bright Morning*. The date for this special event is **Saturday, October 21, 2017, from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.** The cost for the event is \$100 per person. Checks should be made out to Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson and mailed directly to the church. Please refer to additional information in this newsletter for further details.

Item 4: Wayne Gatewood, as our Building & Facilities liaison, has been authorized by the Board to go ahead with the repair of the stained glass window on the 35th St, side of the building. He is working with Del Ray Glass to get the job done. The cost of providing plexiglass to cover the window and prevent further deterioration is \$2,715 with a 50% down payment of \$1,357.50

Item 5: IN MEMORIAM: Rosemary M. Haft, longtime soloist, and occasional substitute organist, passed away at the age of 93 on August 1, 2017. Rosemary was born on March 1, 1924 in Pennsylvania. She graduated from Westchester State Teacher's College where she majored in music education. She graced our Sunday services as a soloist for more than 20 years and taught piano and voice privately from her home. We fondly remember the delicious "copper pennies", (a carrot dish) she used to bring to the Thanksgiving Potlucks. Rosemary came to our church when the music was under the direction of Dorothy Remmington, a retired opera singer. Later, when the music was under the direction of long time member Dorothy Cole, she took it upon herself to drive Dorothy Cole to church each Sunday when Mrs. Cole could no longer drive. We appreciate her years of service and have loving memories of her. She is survived by her husband, Stanley, two daughters, and grandchildren.

Item 6: We invite you to give to any Board member, suggestions you might have for consideration by the Board, that might benefit our church.

"Let us love one another...and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God."

1 John 4:7

Shirley Taylor Moore, President
Board of Trustees

DIVINE SCIENCE CLASSES



Two of our fall classes start on Sunday, September 10, 2017, at 9:00 am:

Basic Principle of Divine Science

Rev. Janet Friedline, Instructor

There is no prerequisite to this class. It is open to all.

The Basic Principle of Divine Science class is the foundation on which all the other classes are built. It is during this class that the student's faith in an ever-present Presence is awakened. Practical Instruction in the application of the teaching is given from the very beginning. This class is offered two times during the church year.

Bible Mystery and Bible Meaning/Old Testament

Ms. Jacqueline Scotland, Instructor

Prerequisite: Basic Principle of Divine Science, Spiritual Psychology and Meditation

This class examines the Old Testament in terms of spiritual awareness. When interpreted through consciousness and personal experiences, the hidden meanings of biblical allegories, parables, and symbolic language are revealed. Students discover that the Bible is the story of their own unfoldment which awakens awareness of their divine nature.

Each class is 10 weeks long, tuition is \$65 and the auditing fee for those repeating the class is \$35. Each class is described in the

special Education Issue 2017-2018. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the library.

FEATURED BOOK OF THE MONTH

Dark Night Bright Morning



It is with great pleasure that the featured book for the month of September is the long awaited Dark Night Bright Morning by our very own Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson!

“We usually turn to religion when seeking a painless way to progress in life. We want to believe in some-thing that will not fail us. It pleases us to hear that our salvation is based on our consciousness—what we think and say and do. The key to making the change is to endure the shift in consciousness—from what we think we should say and do, to what we actually feel within us. It is a journey—a journey from the Dark Night of doubt, reservations and uncertainty and to a Bright Morning of faith, trust, and confidence.”

This book is available in the bookstore in limited quantities. The cost in the bookstore is \$12.72 (tax included). If we mail it, there will be an additional shipping charge.

Miriam has agreed to come to our church on Saturday, October 21, to present the material in her book to us and to answer our questions. Please see article below.

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. Payment is due by September 17, 2017. Checks should be made out directly to Miriam Comer Johnson and sent to the church.

BOOKSTORE FINANCIAL REPORT

Below is the Profit and Loss statement for the second quarter of 2017. The period April 1 through June 30, 2017 shows that the bookstore had a net income of \$602.68.

Our income came from book sales in the amount of \$537.78, contributions in the amount of \$179.50 (this is proceeds from the book swap love offerings); sale of gift certificates in the amount of \$50.00 and \$10.00 CD sales. Making our total income \$777.28

Our expenses in the amount of \$174.59 were for the purchase of books.



Bookstore Profit and Loss
Apr-June 2017

<u>Income</u>	
Book Sales	537.78
Contributions – Other	179.50
Gift Certificate Sales	50.00
Tape and CD sales	<u>10.00</u>
Total Income:	777.28
<u>Expenses</u>	
Book Purchases	<u>174.59</u>
Total Expenses:	174.59
Net Income:	602.69

Thank you for your continued support of the bookstore. We are most grateful.

Rev. Donna Gatewood
Bookstore Manager

THANK YOU, JOSHUA!

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that we thank Joshua Rich for lending his musical talents to our church services during the months of July and August. He brought his own unique spirit and style as he played flawlessly some of his own beautiful compositions and accompanied our soloists.

We look forward to seeing more of Joshua in the future.

Joshua Rich is a piano virtuoso who is completely self-taught (he began playing and singing at the age of eight, having never had a lesson prior), as well as an internationally known composer and vocalist, with an abundance of original music available for purchase, as well as an ever-growing fan base that you are welcome to join.



Joshua is a wonderful multi-generational performer who was happy to share his gifts with our church family this summer and we were blessed to have him with us in such a gentle and loving way.

If you are interested in discussing booking Joshua for a house concert, or if you would like to join his mailing list, or get more information in general, please visit Joshua@joshuarich.com. You can also like him and follow him on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/joshuarichpiano man/>

SUNDAY FLOWERS



Thank you for signing up for all the 2017 flower dates! We have now 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 welcome you back! We have two new Graduates who have completed the 6 basic Divine Science classes: Judy Coleman-Kla and Marsha Miné. We also have two new Divine Science Practitioners: Wayne Gatewood, and Jacqueline Scotland.

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.

Judy Coleman-Kla
Secretary, Alumni Association

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 10, Sunday, 9:00 am, Divine Science
Classes start: Basic Principle of Divine
Science with Rev. Janet Friedline; and
Bible Mystery/Bible Meaning Old
Testament with Ms. Jacqueline Scotland.

Sept 10, Sunday, 12:30 pm, Board of
Trustees Meeting

Sept 24, Sunday, 12:15 pm, Bring a
Friend Sunday plus Chili Hot Dogs and
Sundaes after the service. Please sign-up
in library by September 17 if interested in
attending.



Ongoing Prayer/Study Groups:

Tuesdays – 6:30 pm

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TRAFFIC ISSUES



Sunday, Sept 10, Nation’s Triathlon,
Begins at 7 am: 40 K Bike: through
Washington and Maryland; 1.5 K Swim:
Potomac River near Memorial Bridge; 10 K
Run: National Mall/Hains Point. Finish line
at West Potomac Park.

Sunday, Sept 10, Adams Morgan Day
Noon - 6:00 p.m., 18th St. NW, between
Florida Ave. and Columbia Rd., NW.

Sunday, Sept 17, Fiesta DC – Latino
heritage celebration, 11 am – 7 pm,
Pennsylvania Ave between 3rd and 7th
Streets.

Sunday, September 24, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.,
Turkish Festival Freedom Plaza,
Pennsylvania Avenue, NW between 12th
and 14th Streets.

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.*