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NEWSLETTER

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LESSON TOPICS FOR JULY - AUGUST 2024
SUNDAYS AT 11AM

JULY 7

“INDEPENDENCE OF SPIRIT”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

“Cease ye from man whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of” is the verse from Isaiah. It captures the spiritual principle of being independent from man or materiality. Our dependence should only be on God. Let us call to mind our independence from material things as we celebrate our nation’s independence.

JULY 14

“SPIRITUAL HEALING”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

The Art of Spiritual Healing is a book by Joel Goldsmith. In that book he discusses the principle of radical reliance on God, not as a servant, but as a co-creator with Man. Our experience is not preordained by a God as a king-like figure; rather, our experience is one of unfoldment of consciousness. The quality of our experience is directly related to the quality of our consciousness and that quality is directly dependent upon our realization of God in our lives. A spiritual healing results when we focus on the kingdom of God; all these other things will then be added thereto.

JULY 21

“FORGIVENESS”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

The art of making a good amends is a powerful spiritual tool for bringing about a healing; not to mention the good will that it tends to engender between you and your neighbors, even your so-called enemies. It is a powerful spiritual house cleaning for us to rise in consciousness to the level of admission that we have made errors in judgment, word or deed and that we wish to be forgiven. Even if the recipient of our amends is resistant, God knows of our deed and we will have made ourselves right with Him.

JULY 28

“GRATITUDE”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

When we are grateful for what we have, we receive more. When we are grateful we put ourselves in the mindset of receiving infinite blessings. When we are ungrateful, we put ourselves in the mindset of negativity – and we do not receive. It is literally true that when we are ungrateful we will lose even that little that we have. Gratitude is a mindset shifter and we should adopt an attitude of gratitude. For after all, all that the Father has is ours; we of our own selves produce nothing – all that we have comes directly from the Father’s love for us as his children. If we are sad, depressed or feel lack we should immediately make a list of all the things we have and for which we are grateful. A grateful heart doth heal.

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AUGUST 4
“THE GOD DAYS OF SUMMER”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Yes, I realize it is the dog days of summer, so forgive my play on words. It is always good when we take time to vacation and relax to keep God with us. God wants us to rest. God wants us to have a day, a sabbath day, when we can turn our thoughts to the lives that we are co-creating and look back on things and realize that all is good and very good. Periods of rest and relaxation allow us to step back and enjoy the fruits of our labor.

AUGUST 11
“PRACTICING THE PRESENCE”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

The key to spiritual development is the realization of our oneness or unity with an ever present and loving God. We are part of God’s creation and God has made us in His image and likeness, which means that we are co-creators of our experience. We can forget our role, though, and be tempted to adhere to worldly views if we are not vigilant in recalling that we are of God and that God is the factor in how we move, live and have our being. We should keep this at the forefront of our thoughts always; and this is how we practice the presence of God on a daily basis.

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Call the toll-free number: 669-265-1582; and press#. You will be joined and be automatically muted.

To join via zoom app

Enter our meeting ID: 7216723017. There will be no password required. You will automatically be muted and disabled to use your video.

AUGUST 18
“LOVE AND SERVICE”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Love is the divine energy force that is at the heart of creation and continues to create and maintain our being. Service is the method by which Love is expressed. When we serve our fellow men and women, we take part in the divine energy force of Love. And it touches us in turn. When we serve, we help not only the other, but our own selves as well. For we have released the divine energy force and it touches and heals all. If you are down and out, depressed, sad or troubled, find someone to serve, to help and you will instantly find that you feel better.

AUGUST 25
“SELF AND SOUL”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Where our human self meets our divine soul is where healing takes place. Our human self is our egoic identity – that part of us that identifies with our jobs, our houses, our families, our spouses and our children. Our divine soul is that inner nature which is the individualized expression of God. It is that part of us that is like God. It is that part of us that carries forth the divine essence waiting to be tapped into and to unfold in expression. This all takes place in consciousness, in our awareness. As we increase our awareness that we are spiritual and not material beings, we note our circumstances improve. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and all other things will be added unto you.

“TRUST IN THE LORD”

Rev. Pat Beach

...with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5,6

We are instructed to trust the Lord, and follow guidance rather than our own limited perception of things.

This takes a great deal of faith and practice. As we experience the blessings of this way of Life, it comes to us more naturally for it is our true and eternal nature.

Father we thank Thee for our experience of the Oneness that is the Truth,, the Way and the Life. Amen.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As was mentioned in the last Newsletter, the Board of Trustees does not meet in July and August. However, if something of urgency should arise, all will be informed. In the meantime, we hope that everyone will have a safe and restful summer, remembering all of the suggestions given in the media when it comes to excessive heat.

1. It was brought to the attention of the Board that the insurance on the building would not be renewed because the carrier does not insure churches beyond the 50-year mark. Rev. Gene Policastri was able to get an extension of our insurance to July 2024. In the interim, he is corresponding with two insurance brokers who may be able to offer us the needed insurance. Without insurance, we are not able to have people enter the building with no protection against mishaps.
2. As was noted earlier, church administrator, Mayu White will be in Japan for most of the summer to attend to family business. She graciously made a video and also produced written step by step procedures for maintaining the hybrid service on Sundays. A special thank you to those who attended the training sessions after Sunday service to acquaint themselves with the process. Those who verbally committed to taking a Sunday but did not attend the training, there is still time to become familiar with the procedure.

“Therefore...be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.”
1 Corinthians 15:58

Shirley Taylor Moore, President
Board of Trustees

Ongoing Prayer
and Study Group
Conference call

Tuesdays
6:30 pm

If you would like to
join, you may do so
by using the
conference call
number:

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Access Code
662944#.



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OFFICE COVERAGE

The Church Office will remain closed
until further notice.

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Have A Great Summer!

