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NEWSLETTER DIVINE SCIENCE CHURCH OF THE HEALING CHRIST

LESSON TOPICS FOR MARCH 2025 SUNDAY AT 11AM

MARCH 2 "WAKE FROM YOUR SLEEP"

Rev. Gene Policastri

God has bequeathed unto you all of His inherencies and by waking up to this Truth, that you are individualized expressions of God, you can heal all discordant situations that make their appearance. "Wake thou that sleepest" is the command to awaken to your true being, claim your power and heal.

> MARCH 9 "KEEP A TRUE LENT" Rev. Gene Policastri

In Divine Science, as in Unity, Lent is kept not by denying ourselves things, rather by denying any and all negative thoughts. Set aside time each day to study, pray and meditate. Focus on understanding God consciousness and absorb His strength into your conscious way of being, and behold the newness of your view and attitude.

> MARCH 16 "PRAY LIKE YOU MEAN IT" Rev. Gene Policastri

There is a laziness that we all experience. Life comes at us and we have a tendency in detachment to erroneously say, "well, that must be God's will." That is a mistake. God takes no pleasure in your suffering; God takes no pleasure in your dying. God's will is that you live, and live abundantly, bringing forth all His good into expression. If life has you down, it is not God's will. God's will is that you overcome and not be defeated. MARCH 23 "ALL THINGS BECOME NEW" Rev. Gene Policastri

There is nothing new under the sun. God is the same now as He was at the beginning and will be at the end. What is restored, what does become "new," is our perspective, that is, our view. Our view should change with each season of life as we continue to rise in consciousness. When He shall appear, we shall be like Him.

> MARCH 30 "THE WINDS OF CHANGE" Rev. Gene Policastri

The only constant in this world is change. We can count on that. It may seem like an oxymoron, but it is true; the appearance of the contradiction between change and consistency is just that, only an appearance. The truth of the matter is we are always changing form changes – and that change is really a melting away of our human nature and revealing the inner, constant Christ Consciousness that has been there all along. The Spirit moves on the face of the waters and creation of new conditions occurs as we continue to rise in consciousness.

Directions to Join Our Sunday Services To join via telephone

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

<u>To join via zoom app</u>

Enter our meeting ID: 7216723017. There will be no password required. You will automatically be muted. Please remain muted throughout of the service.

"THE WINDS OF CHANGE"

Rev. Gene Policastri

In the beginning the world was without form and void, and then Spirit moved upon the face of the deep and creation as we know it began. It also continues in just that way in our daily experience if we would but take a few moments each day in meditation to reflect upon that metaphysical experience.

March is a time of a seasonal shift in our world conditions. March is known as the windy month. The wind, like Spirit, is felt or seen only in the effects that it leaves behind. We do not see the wind, but we see the trees and leaves blowing as a result of the wind. The winds of March metaphorically stand for the change that occurs just prior to Spring when a re-birth occurs.

Spirit is just the same way; it is moving in us, through us and as us, as we continue our rise in consciousness to return to a realization of oneness with the Omnipresent Eternal One. We can see it by its effects; we can see it by how it influences our lives. When we are in communion with the Eternal One, we watch our outer, human conditions improve. We become more loving, more accepting, and soon over time we will notice that our experience of situations has responded in kind.

Our outer form is always changing; our interpretations and reactions to life in this world is likewise always changing. Inwardly, we are changing as well, as we throw off the old way of looking at things, begin to drop our attachments to a material way of living, and rise up on our journey home. We are like Adam and Eve awaiting a return to the garden; we are like the prodigal son returning to his father's house; and we are like the lost sheep returning to the fold.

We rejoice in the winds of change for they bring new and deeper realizations of Truth - that we are one with the Eternal, and that although we may have been at one time lost, we are now found.



Amen.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The winter thaw is almost upon us. Spring is just a few weeks away. Soon the metropolitan area will be in full bloom.

The Board of Trustees met in February to discuss a few ongoing issues.

- 1. We had a visit from a contractor who went through the building with a fine-tooth comb, so to speak. He commented on the beauty of the building but noted that there are several repairs are needed some are simple and not costly. There are also things that need attention from a specific vendor. The Board responded that we would look at the recommendations and take one step at a time. Presently, our priority is the ceiling in the library and the ceiling in the minister's office. We have had a bid of \$5,000 on this, including labor and materials. The Board agreed to this and are awaiting written contract to be signed. The contractor has deemed this to be a 4 -5 day project.
- 2. As was mentioned in the last newsletter, The Divine Science Church will be represented at the Pathways Expo on March 30, at the Hilton McLean-Tysons Corner, McLean, Virginia. We will have a booth

there and Rev. Policastri will also be making a presentation. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you there. The church also has an ad in the Pathways Magazine Spring edition.

3. Rev. Wayne Gatewood, who was Treasurer for the Alumni Association for quite some time recently resigned from this position. He polled the Board as to the dispensing of the funds in the Alumni account which totaled \$4,123. The Board voted to have this balance put into the church checking account.

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint"...<u>Isaiah 40:31</u>

Shirley Taylor Moore, President Board of Trustees



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Save the Date! Pathway Magazine Presents Natural Living Expo Sunday, March 30 10am – 6pm ©

The Hilton McLean-Tysons Corner, McLean, VA 7920 Jones Branch Dr, McLean, VA 22102 <u>*Rev. Gene Policastri will join at 1pm</u>*

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