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NEWSLETTER DIVINE SCIENCE CHURCH OF THE HEALING CHRIST

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LESSON TOPICS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

SEPTEMBER 1 "SPIRITUAL LABOR DAY"

Rev. Gene Policastri

When we work, we give of ourselves according to the laws of this world, the material forms, the world where we are concerned with what we shall eat, drink, wear and live. But the spiritual, divine essence is above all that – to understand it we must know it is not a consciousness we can earn by trading time for dollars, but an experience to be felt and once felt everything changes. That is why the last workers in the field get paid the same wage.

SEPTEMBER 8

"YOUR PLAN TO PROSPER"

Rev. Gene Policastri

A new school year is upon us and even though most of us are no longer in school we still view this as a time of hope coupled with a plan of study. Let's commit to studying the ways we can improve our lot in life with the collaboration of our divine resources.

SEPTEMBER 15 "YOU CAN RUN YOUR LIFE"

Rev. Gene Policastri

We say we would like to live a successful life. However, what is success and where do we find it. Can success be measured and analyzed - is it the product of the "head" or of the "heart." Our view of life allows us to look "without" or "within" for confirmation. The choice is ours. Let us choose wisely.

SEPTEMBER 22

"WE ARE ONE IN CONSCIOUSNESS"

Rev. Gene Policastri

Peter when asked to preach to the Gentiles articulated a truth. God is no respecter of persons. This has beautiful implications for us. It means that we need not envy our brother or sister. For if they have something, we too can do likewise. If one person can do something, then we all can; for we all have the same divine essence that is waiting for us to realize and bring it forth into visible manifestation. The things I do, greater things can you do also.

SEPTEMBER 29 "TAKE UP YOUR CROSS"

Rev. Gene Policastri

This is not a message of self-sacrifice. Rather it is a message of hope. It is also an instruction for how to rise in consciousness from the material to the spiritual. Take up your cross and follow me – meaning transform – transform from worrying about your selfish selfcentered view of materiality – take up your cross, your current human burdens – and recognize them for what they are – things to overcome – things that hold you back – things that if you just dropped them your life would improve instantly. Drop your way of doing things and rise to a new level of 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</u>

Enter the Meeting ID: 7216723017. No password will be required. You will be automatically be muted. Please remain muted throughout the service.

"COME UNTO ME..." REV. PAT BEACH

"Come Unto Me

...all ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."

"Abide in me, and I in you."

"And ye shall seek me and find me, when ye search for me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the Lord and I take away your captivity."

> "Peace I leave with you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you."

"For God who commanded the light to shine out of the darkness hath shined in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

"Be still and know..."



Fall 2024 Divine Science Class



The following class will be offered this Fall. The class starts on Sunday, September 8, 2024, at 9:00 am.

Basic Principle of Divine Science

Rev. Gene Policastri., *Instructor There is no prerequisite for 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.

The 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 2022-2023. If you are interested in taking those classes please email the church: dschurchdc@aol.com or call the church at 202-333-7630.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We've certainly had some really warm days this summer, but hopefully everyone had some time to find peace and relaxation at some point. As you know the Board does not meet during July and August, therefore there are no new critical situations to report. We welcome back Mrs. Mayu White church administrator from her summer in Japan and trust that all is well with her family there.

There is, however, an important event scheduled for this October. Many of you may recall that Charmaine Hawkins has spearheaded our Alumni Association for some time. On **Sunday, October 6, 2024** the Alumni Association is sponsoring a healing service of meditation and prayer. It will be held from 1:00 - 2:00 - p.m. It will be held in the sanctuary of our church. Friends, neighbors, family members, church members or not, all are welcome. The service will consist of meditation, music, poetry and prayer. Signs will be placed outside the church building to invite the community.

In order to extend a welcoming atmosphere, the Board is soliciting bids from contractors to paint the porch entrance on 35th Street, replace the Divine Science Church sign outside the building and repair the ceiling in the library. While we don't want to invest large sums into the building not knowing our leasing status at the moment, we do want to present an inviting façade.

We hope to see everyone at this event.

"God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God." 1 John 4:16 (Selected Bible readings and meditations by Fannie B. James).

Shirley Taylor Moore, Presiden The Bord of Trustees



Divine Science Church of the Healing Christ Alumni Association Presents

Meditation and Prayer



Sunday, October 6 1pm to 2pm @Divine Science Church Sanctuary

All are Welcome

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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:

<u>605-472-5203</u> Access Code 662944#.



OFFICE COVERAGE The Church Office will remain closed until further notice.

> 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.