



Wings of Truth

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Our Vision and Mission:

Unity of Appleton is a welcoming, inclusive, loving spiritual community where we practice and demonstrate a positive metaphysical approach to spirituality through affirmative prayer, healing, inspiration, education, fellowship, and service.



Dear Friends,

The Unity theme for May is "Change Gracefully." What does that mean for you? Are you experiencing change? Of course you are! Change is the one constant in human life. It goes with the territory!

But, you are also changing in deeper ways. Unity is all about transformation, about discovering who you truly are. So, what's been changing IN you? Are you more aware of

your Oneness with Spirit? More aware of your "I AM?" More confident in the Abundance that is Spirit?

Unity of Appleton is changing, too, aren't we? New name, new members, new signs, new Wednesday evening service on the horizon. Are we changing gracefully? I like to think so! The way I see it, we have a nice strong sense of who we ARE as a community, and I see us moving into an awareness of how we are to EXPRESS ourselves. What are we called to express in our larger community now? What is ready to come forth as we "change gracefully?" Your Board of Trustees will be doing some visioning work around this at our May 7 Board retreat.

We also look forward to reading your response to the annual survey, which you will receive during the first full week in May. Please do give it your prayerful consideration and return it to John Polakowski, Vice President of the Board, in the envelope provided. The deadline for return of all surveys is Sunday, May 15.

Thank you to all who volunteer at Unity of Appleton: greeters, musicians, platform chairpersons, library helpers, child caregivers, teachers, YOU sponsors, Board members, cooks, bakers, beverage makers, artists, artisans, crafts persons, flower arrangers, carpet spotters, window washers, and more. We are blessed!

I behold the Christ in you,

April Kain-Breese, LUT
Spiritual Leader

WE BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF PRAYER

Write or call us about any prayer need and we will pray with you. All prayer requests are treated with reverence and confidentiality.

Or for prayer 24/7, you may also contact Silent Unity at 1-800-669-7729 or go online at www.silentunity.org

SUNDAY SERVICES

*8:30 am and 10 am
Sunday School 10 am
Youth of Unity 10 am*

OFFICE HOURS

*9am—3 pm
Tue-Wed-Thu
Hours subject to change—
please phone ahead.
920-739-4823*

ADDRESS OR EMAIL CHANGE?

*To continue to receive the news, please email us at:
unitychurch@unityofappleton.org
Or call us at (920) 739-4823*

Birthdays—May

5—Ed Wojciechowski
8—Cindi Cousineau
18—Ken Williamson
24—Rick Bjella



Wish them Happy Birthday!

THANKS!



Please join us at the 10:00 a.m. service on May 15, when we will celebrate and appreciate our youth education teachers and sponsors.

Treasurer's Report:

March net income was (-\$1728)
Year to Date: deficit of (-\$2312)

Meet and Greet will be held between services on May 1st starting at 9:20AM. Join us for great food and fellowship!

Can I Buy a Vowel?



At our membership meeting on May 1, we will vote on a proposal to get our new name “in lights” on the Lawe Street sign, as well as “in vinyl” on our front windows and door. The total cost of the project is about \$3,800.

The Board will propose a “letter sale,” in which we can virtually “buy” one or more letters for our three new signs. Prices range from \$20 to \$200, and we can go together on purchases, so there’s an opportunity for one and all to participate in creating our new public identity. If all letters are sold, we will realize \$2,065 from the sale, the balance to come from church funds.

The details will be discussed and voted on at the meeting. Hope you can be there! If approved, the sale will go on for two more Sundays, concluding on May 15. If you would like to participate but can’t be at church on these dates, please call the office at 739-4823 after May 2.

What's Happening?

Youth of Unity

The Y.O.U. have been awed at the magnificence of synchronicity as the recent chapter we have discussed in “The Secret of Teen Power” happened to focus on how to create health, which was apparently the same theme as April’s Sunday talk.

Anja will be sharing with the congregation information regarding the Y.O.U. EarthCare Program in an upcoming membership meeting.

The Y.O.U. will be putting their creative energies together for a special Mother’s Day gift to all mother’s and women in the congregation and will ask the Unity Youth to pass out the gifts, as they will not be able to attend on May 8th.

Also the Y.O.U. are looking forward to singing another Beatles song, Black Bird, with the congregation on May 15th. They hope to see you there.

Member Spotlight:

Use Your Gifts!

By Ken E. Williamson

"You must use your talent, whatever it may be, in order to increase it." - Charles Fillmore

I have been blessed with many talents in my life. I started to entertain over 60 years ago. My first performance was in 1947 for I entertained screen actress, Terry Moore, by playing harmonica while I was a patient at Newington Home for Crippled Children. I had a disease called Legg Perthis. I was in iron braces from the waist down and was told I would never walk again. At age nine I performed on live radio, and made my first appearance on live television at the age of eleven. Then I started on Ukulele and baritone ukulele before receiving my first Gibson guitar when I was on crutches learning to walk again.



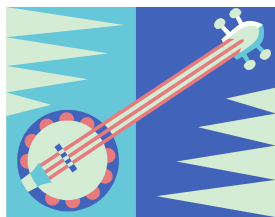
Through the years I have performed for Soviet Cosmonaut Gregory Crechko, the New Orleans Saints, the Smithsonian, Wisconsin Public Television, the BBC television network, and have appeared with John Hartford, Tom T. Hall and Willie Nelson. I played on Mississippi riverboats with my guitar and banjos.

I guess the fact that I started out performing while in an institution is why I now entertain at nursing homes, retirement communities, and assisted living centers. In the last eight years I have performed for over 26,000 seniors! This year I have over 35 bookings already to entertain for seniors.

I am currently the author of three books and an accomplished artist.

God wants all of us to use our talents to the fullest. I have always known that I am most truly alive when I am performing. My music is my life, my joy, and my reason for living. It is the one thing that makes everything else worthwhile.

Go to my web site to learn more.
www.RiverBoatRascal.com



Empowered to do Great Things—our new column written by Janet Stratton, returns in the June issue featuring Jeanne Loehnis, musician and life coach. Look for it!



Summertime Evening Service Begins June 1st

Last Sunday 8:30 Service Occurs May 22

Try out our new Wednesday evening service starting on June 1st, 7-7:45 p.m. We will have a brief message, a *discussion time*, and an extended meditation. *During the summer, the 8:30 Sunday morning service will be on hiatus.* Please join us at the 10:00, and/or consider the Wednesday evening option. Looking forward to seeing you!

More Children!

Have you noticed? I am sure you have! We are blessed with wonderful growth in our youth ministry! I am so delighted to welcome our children and to spend a few moments with them on Sunday morning.

Our Sunday school teachers, led by Laurin Bellg; our Y.O.U. sponsors, led by Linda Nett-Duesterhoeft; and our caregivers for the youngest children are creating rich, rewarding, loving, and fun discovery experiences every week. Those of us who are in the sanctuary during this time see happy children and teens at the beginning and especially at the end of our service, but we may not realize all that is happening “back there.” I will be inviting Laurin, Linda, and others to tell us more about their programs, and I hope to hear more from the children, too!

You can support our youth ministry through prayer and through tithing of your time, talent, and treasure. Please affirm with me that our youth ministry is



blessed with an abundance of all that they need to continue to grow and flourish: wonderful spaces in which to learn; teachers, sponsors, caregivers, and other supportive, caring adults who cherish young hearts and minds. Our children are precious congregants right now, and they are the future of our community and our world. Thank you, Spirit, for our youth and their teachers, caregivers, and sponsors!



Board Notes

The Board will have their Spring Retreat on Saturday, May 7th. They will cover Board Development and Visioning, with some recreation time and good food. Thank you, Celeste, for offering your lake home for this special retreat.

A Mother's Day Beauty Formula

First. Take a lot of **love**. You cannot use too much. It is the softener. The treatment would be absolutely worthless without it!

Second. Add a lump of **kindness**. It is the lubricator. It prevents friction. Without it the going would indeed be rough and bumpy.

Third. Pour in a large measure of **good cheer**. It chases gloom out of dark corners and lights the way to happiness.

Fourth. Not to forget: **compassion**. It is important but must be used with great discretion.

Fifth. Now put in a big gob of **sense of humor**. It is the spice of life and adds pep to insipid and uninteresting occasions.

Sixth. Use a great deal of **patience**. It promotes harmony and leads to success.

Seventh. Dump in a large portion of **faith in people**. It is great for increasing ambition and stimulating effort.

Eighth. Stir in plenty of **hope**. It stops the blues.


Ninth. Mix with all these an abundance of **courage**. It keeps you from turning yellow.

Tenth and last. Gather up the **smiles** you can find and sprinkle liberally over the other ingredients. Like the sauce to a dinner, they cover a multitude of mistakes and relieve dull monotony.

Now when all these are blended into a rosy cream, apply a generous amount of it to the heart every day. Do not wipe off the surplus! Leave it there to be absorbed. Look for the humor in everyday living! Be patient with others' shortcomings! (You have some of your own, you know.) Have faith in somebody! Hope for the best always! Face life with courage - and smile! *There is now a twinkle in your eye and a spark in your step!*

From the book, "The Unity Treasure Chest"

May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>1</i> 8:30 & 10 AM "Art of Becoming" 11:15 Membership Meeting	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>8</i> 8:30 & 10 AM "Mother of Unity"	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 7 PM Women's Gathering	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>15</i> 8:30 & 10AM "Peace Pilgrim"	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> 6:30 PM Board Meeting	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> 8:30 AM Men's Group 10:10 AM Prayer Ministry
<i>22</i> 8:30 & 10 AM Al Bell, Guest Speaker	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>29</i> 10 AM "The Woman at the Well"	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>1</i>  Summer Service 7PM			

MAY AFFIRMATIONS:

Inner Peace: In the sanctuary of my heart, I feel the peace and love of God.

Guidance: With Divine Spirit as my guide, I make wise choices.

Healing: I am vibrantly alive and healthy

Prosperity: I am immersed in abundant life.

World Peace: I am a peacemaker, contributing to a peaceful world.

FIVE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF UNITY

1. God is good and everywhere present.
2. The spirit of God lives within each person; therefore, all people are inherently good.
3. We create our life experience through our way of thinking.
4. There is power in affirmative prayer, which we believe increases our connection to God.
5. Knowledge of these principles is not enough. We must live them.



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Sent with love to:

WELCOMING YOU!

**Think Positive,
Live Positive,
Enjoy Life!**