



Wings of Truth

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Our Vision and Mission:

Unity Church of Christianity 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.

The Fragrance of Renewal

As I write this, the ornamental apple trees are in peak bloom, and the lilacs are coming on. The fragrances of this season are delightful, from the waxy smell of the hyacinth, through the pungent earthy smell of daffodils, on to the soft sweet fragrance of our flowering trees, and finally the lilacs and mock orange.

(I remember the mock orange bush outside my parent's apartment. Most of the year it was just a tall bush that needed trimming, but when that thing was in bloom, oh my, it smelled good!)

One day last week, I entered the sanctuary alone. All was quiet; nobody else was around. And as I entered, I smelled the fragrance of freshly-sawn wood. I love that smell! It takes me back to childhood and my dad's workshop. But it also leads me forward, because fresh-sawn wood means something new is taking shape—in this case the new platform. I could also notice the faint lingering smell of new paint. I paused to admire the renewal that's taking place in our sanctuary--the paint, the platform, the dividers, some rearrangement of our greeting area. Soon we'll have carpet on the platform (another new fragrance), a bit of new track lighting, and in the near future, something wonderful (yet to be made manifest) to serve as a focal point above the platform. Flower pots to frame our entrance will soon be planted, and a new mat will appear. Maybe we'll even have a more visible sign to help folks find us. That would be nice, wouldn't it? Working on it...

What change is taking place in your life right now? What is coming into bloom? Look around you, look within, and take notice. Can you smell the fragrance of renewal in the air?

Blessings,

April Kain-Breese, 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.

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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

June Birthdays

6—4 Barbara Hines
6—6 Linda Nett-Duesterhoeft
6—18 Ernesto Velasco
6—30 Judy Worachek

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !



Thank you!

Please accept my thanks for the framed Bible verse that you gave me on the commemoration of my first year anniversary as your Spiritual Leader. I can hardly believe it's been a year since my installation! It's been quite a journey, and I thank you for walking beside me. So, what is the verse? It's from John 14:27:

Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not let them be afraid."

April

What's Happening?

Outdoor Service and Picnic at Alicia Park, Appleton, on August 2, 2009

Mark you calendar today! This will be our second outdoor service and picnic in beautiful Alicia Park. More details in the weeks ahead.



Women's Gathering

by Celeste Holly

The women's group will be reading the final chapter in "A New Earth". We will be meeting at Renee Mortier's house at 7 PM Friday, June 19th. Her address is 506 S. Lee, Appleton, phone 743-8435.

An Affirmation for Our Next Pianist/ Keyboard Player

Come into our sanctuary that we may bless you as you will bless us. This is a place of love and light, a warm and welcoming faith community. Music is loved here. Music is appreciated here. We are open to receive your gifts, and we know that Spirit is bringing us together. Thank you sweet Spirit. Amen



New Mastermind Group Forming

Janice Wanek will be facilitating a new mastermind group which will meet at church on Sunday evenings beginning June 7th at 6:30 P.M. Join in and watch as your dreams and those of others are made manifest !

Our own well-being is always the result of good decisions for ourselves coupled with disengagement from the choices of others.

Karen Casey

JUNE 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 8:30 & 10 AM Services "Your Identity" 6:30 PM Mastermind	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 8:30 & 10 AM Services "Victim or Victor" 6:30 PM Mastermind	15	16	17	18 6 PM Board Mtg.	19 7 PM Women's Gathering	20 8:30 AM Men's Group 10:10 AM Prayer Ministry
21 Father's Day 8:30 & 10 AM Services "You Are What You Think" 6:30 PM Mastermind	18	19	20	21	22	23
28 8:30 & 10 AM Services "Your Consciousness" 6:30 PM Mastermind	25	26	27	28	29	30

Treasurer's Report

Summer will, paradoxically, finally and yet quickly arrive. This means welcome changes in our lifestyle for days, weeks or even months. Life may slow down a bit or we at least may take some time off. Yet life goes on as usual, too. Especially in our financial affairs, no one gives us time off. Bills must be paid and all responsibilities accounted for. So, too, with our church.

Summer, for most churches, means a financially leaner season but with practically all costs fully maintained. So, too, with our church. However, with Unity we have an edge. We know and affirm abundance is ours. We are abundant first and foremost in spiritual substance from which both nonmaterial and material expressions flow. First within then without.

YOU ARE ABUNDANT. Please keep this prominently in your mind always for both your and your church's wellbeing. Thanks be to Spirit.

Bedford Hines, Treasurer

Financial Report:
Month of April: \$ -2435
Year to date: \$ -3829

Gratitude is the fairest blossom
which springs from the soul.

-- Henry Ward

Living the Deepest Truth You Know

Most of us float on the surface of our lives. We enjoy the drama of the waves around us and the weather above us, and we have fun splashing each other.

We don't often dive into the depths, down into the Spirit that keeps us afloat. But what if we made the choice to dive below the surface and live there? What would be different?

For one thing, we'd be alive in a different way. Instead of breathing air, we'd breathe the vitality of pure Spirit into our lungs. We'd also see in a different way, with the dim light of the surface giving way to the illuminated knowing of Spirit's truth guiding us on our path.

Living the deepest truth we know means giving up some of the comfortable conventions of our lives. It means letting go of the fears that keep us from looking deeper. It means trusting that when we inhale the essence of the deepest truth we know, we'll still be alive —indeed, more alive than ever before.

Living that truth also means being intentional and focused. It's not about giving up conventions to wander aimlessly. It's about letting ourselves be guided by Spirit in taking on a new purpose in life, and developing the discernment to know what that purpose is and the courage to act on it.

Let's take our lives — and our church — beyond the surface, beyond what we're familiar with. Let's fill them with the love, peace and joy that comes of knowing, living and sharing the deepest truth we know.

Love and light!
Albert Bellg
President, Board of Trustees

Knowing is not enough; we must apply.
Willing is not enough; we must do.

-Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Notes from the Board of Trustees

The May 21st Board Meeting Highlights:

- April reports that the final web design is in hand and training is occurring on its' use by April and Cindi.
- Rick Bjella's last day with Unity will be July 12th. Watch for ways and means we will celebrate Rick's amazing time with us.
- Jeanne Loehnis will not be returning; Tom will continue to offer guitar accompaniment; Colleen and Cindi will help in song-leading.
- We are in need of a keyboard player. April posted a position description and forwarded it to Lawrence University.
- The board will study and experience "Thriving in Unity" program and then offer the experience to the congregation in the fall.
- June 8 – 13 April will attend the Unity Annual Conference in Kansas City.
- The fire department made an inspection and we must have a clear walking path in the utility closet, to the electrical box. Also all candles must be removed from the Youth Room.
- The facilities redesign is progressing, check out the new carpet in early June; and the new planters and mat.
- Church picnic is on for August 2nd at Alicia Park.

Prepared by Linda Nett-Duesterhoeft, Secretary

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Interpretation!

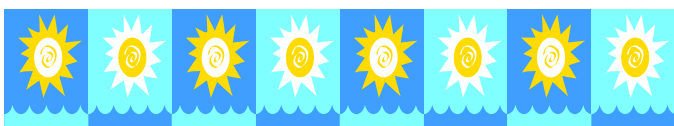
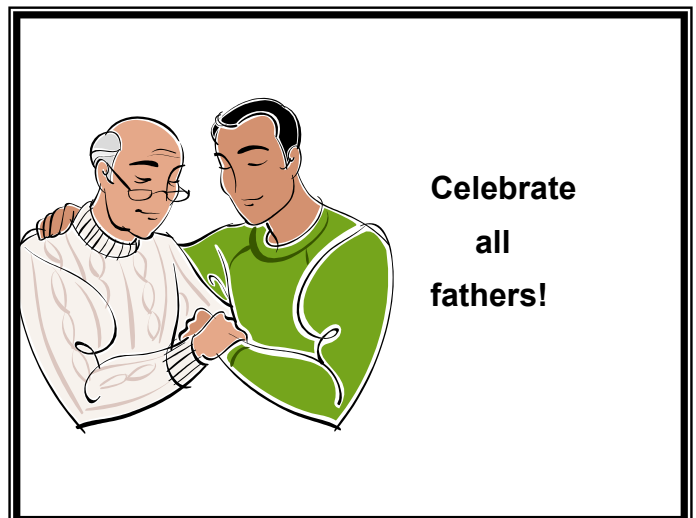


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What Are You?

This summer, I will offer a series of Sunday messages based on the Unity classic, *What Are You?* by Imelda Shanklin. This is a deep and profound work, refreshing and challenging at the same time. I'll look forward to sharing it with you, and to hearing your thoughts about it during the discussion portion of the service!



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FATHERS!*



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JUNE AFFIRMATIONS:

Inner Peace: Trusting God in all ways, I have peace of mind and heart.

Guidance: Inspired and divinely directed, I am guided to my good.

Healing: With a growing awareness of Spirit within, I claim health and well-being.

Prosperity: I follow the path of my divine purpose and live a prosperous life.

World Peace: United in the love of God, we live in peace.