

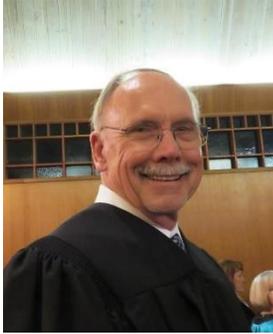
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Center for
Spiritual Living™

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Message from Our Senior Minister

Wisdom comes not from experience, rather from an understanding of what our experience means. As we learn how each experience contributes to the goodness of life, we gain wisdom. The more we understand, the more we can grow in wisdom.

There is a great wisdom tradition that runs through all spiritual thought. It is a major theme in the Judeo-Christian Bible. Here is something from Proverbs..

"Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace..." Proverbs 3: 13-18.

Each of us has the opportunity to reflect daily on the meaning of our experiences. We may do this in a formal meditative practice. Or we may simply take a few moments to ascertain what is happening to us. We may thoughtfully consider what our plans mean for our lives and the lives of those whom we love and even for our the greater community.

As the theme for the month indicates, if we simply think wise thoughts we have not yet completed the wisdom process. For we must move from our thoughts and our beliefs, to action. How do we do this?

Spiritual living is based in genuine love for self and for others. When we take this love into our thought and action, we bring wisdom from the realm of possibility to the specificity of our experience.

As we plan our summer activities it is wise remember to keep before us this basic life lesson. Love God completely and love your neighbor as yourself.

There are wide ranging implications to demonstrating love and acting wisely. A very practical way to live wisely is to use our resources responsibly. Do we consider how to minimize waste and how to recycle? This is how we apply wisdom to our environment, to our earth mother. Do we consider the impact our words have on our family and friends? This is wisdom applied to our neighbor. Do we shape or filter the thoughts that race through our minds? If so, we apply wisdom to ourselves.

Buddha is quoted as saying: "Know well what leads you forward and what holds you back, and choose the path that leads to wisdom."

As our wise thoughts flow into action, we follow the path of wisdom. We are blessed by the presence of Lady Wisdom, a gift more precious than jewels and worth more than gold and silver. If carefully considered and compassionate, our actions will reveal wisdom.

Consider using this affirmation this month. "I act wisely always with compassion and with understanding."

In all things seek wisdom, follow the wise path.

Each of us is an important part of the consciousness which grows our spiritual community

Namaste

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Our Center grows as each of us follows the path of compassionate wisdom. We attract loving people.

SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS

The theme for the month of June is
"Spiritual Wisdom and How to Use It."

June 3 -- Rev Maur-- "How to Create a Spiritual Chain Reaction." Rev Maur will delve onto the wisdom path exploring principles used by mystics, saints and ordinary folk. As we begin to live fully alive, our example will spread like a contagion. Susan Brakeall and Mark Pearson will provide music.

June 10 -- Rev Julie -- "Your Invisible Forces." Rev Julie will show us the importance of wise action. We re-learn basic principles to energize ourselves and retrain our minds away from doubt and toward creation. Susan Brakeall and Mark Pearson will provide music.

June 17 -- Rev Don -- "Your Spiritual Bank Account." Rev Don will let us know what the Divine Creator has deposited at the center of every persons being and how we "write checks" on this deposit. Lesley Garber and Randy Byrnes will provide music.

June 24 -- Rev Larry King -- "How Does God Know What I Am Thinking?" Rev Larry will share how we become aware of our divinity and the oneness of all creation. Blaine Moody and Annie Cornely will provide music.

Garden Party Clean up and Pizza on Saturday, June 2 From 9:30 to Noon

Come join us as we work outdoors to improve our meditation garden and grounds. We have some basic tools, and you may bring your own if you like - rake, a hoe, clippers and definitely gloves. We will break about noon for pizza and soda before leaving. Come when you can, all efforts are appreciated. You don't need to have registered.

Rummage Sale: Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9.

OK, time to get serious!

Clean out your closets; Organize your garage.

You may bring items to church with you on Sunday, June 3 or on Wednesday or Thursday June 6 or 7. Office hours are 10:00 to 2:00. Special arrangements can be made to drop off your items, or possibly have help getting them here. - Let us know what you need.

You may still sign up to volunteer to help tell us if you have good things to donate - See the Community Matters table.

Schedule for Rummage Sale: Organizing and pricing:

Thursday, June 7 Begin about Noon

Sale Volunteers

Friday

8am to Noon - 2 volunteers

Noon to 4pm - 2 volunteers

Saturday

8am to Noon - 2 volunteers

Noon to 4pm - 4 volunteers to help put away at the end

Spiritual Living Circle

Tuesday, June 19

6:00 pm in our Center Library

Tuesday, June 19 at 6:00pm in the library will be the site of a new Spiritual Discussion Program, "Woodland Chapel's Spiritual Living Circle". The purpose is to provide us and our friends with rich material to explore a new way to connect and deepen our spiritual experiences. Topics will be drawn from Science of Mind magazine, Guide for Spiritual Living. At this first meeting we will discuss the following:

1. How often to meet
2. Where to meet
3. Who will facilitate?
4. Are food and drink a part of the program?
5. How to create a safe and comfortable space

If interested, please sign an "Intention to Attend" sheet on the Community Matters table.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT EACH EVENT

**Last Month's CONCERTS
With Charley Thweatt
were a delight.**



Our Building Fund

We already have over \$3,500 in our building fund. Our first project is expected to cost about \$14,000. We plan to redo the flat roof before fall rains start.

Pitch in with whatever gift seems right to you. Maybe \$20, \$50, \$100 or even a \$1,000 or more.

Step up, join up and let's do it.

Our June Calendar

Click on Calendar to enlarge the image.

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Spiritual Wisdom and
How to Use It.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6:00am Yoga	2 9:30 Garden Part 12:00 Pizza
3 10:30am Meditation Service 11:00am Sunday Celebration 12:45 Board Meeting 7:00 pm AA	4 6:00am Yoga	5 9 AM Yoga 12:00 Practitioner 1 Class 7:00pm MA Marijuana	6 6:00 am Yoga 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 10:15 Ministry Team 7:00pm River Sangha	7 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 12:00 Set Up For Rummage Sale 8:00pm Under 30 AA upstairs	8 6:00am Yoga Upstairs 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Rummage Sale	9 8:00 AM to end Rummage Sale
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17 10:30am Meditation 11:00am Sunday Celebration 12:30 Introduction to Spiritual Living 7:00pm AA	18 6:00am Yoga	19 9 AM Yoga 12:00 Practitioner 1 Class 6:00pm Circles 7:00pm MA Marijuana	20 6:00 am Yoga 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 7:00pm River Sangha	21 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 8:00pm Under 30 AA	22 6:00am Yoga	23 8:00-9:00am AA
24 10:30am Meditation 11:00am Sunday Celebration Potluck 7:00pm AA	25 6:00am Yoga	26 9 AM Yoga 12:00 Practitioner 1 Class 7:00pm MA Marijuana	27 6:00 am Yoga 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 7:00pm River Sangha	28 10:00-2:00 Office Hours 8:00pm Under 30 AA	29 6:00am Yoga	30 8:00-9:00am AA



Science of Mind Treatment I am wise!

There is an Infinite Intelligence, the Source of All, the well spring of Wisdom. It lives and expresses Itself in the arrangement of the galaxies, the stars and the entire universe/ All out picture the wonder of this Divine Presence.

I find this same intelligence and wisdom in me. I am one with the One. All that I am is comprised of divine Energy.

I know that my decisions, my words, my thoughts reflect the Presence of Divine Wisdom operating in and through me. I court the presence of Wisdom. I am wise. I am intelligent. I understand the rhythms of life. I appreciate the wonder and beauty of all of creation. What a Joy it is to be so alive with goodness, wholeness and health. I vibrate with divine energy. More precious than gold or silver, I experience abundant good in my finances and in the many dimensions of my life. All my relations are fashioned in harmony and love. I act wisely. I express the compassion of the Infinite One. There is nothing that the Infinite cannot accomplish through me so long as I continue to open my heart and mind to Its Holy Presence. All things are possible to the Infinite Love of God.

I give thanks for the clarity and beauty of Divine Wisdom as it informs my every action.

I release and I let go, allowing the Universal Mind of God to bring perfect divine right action into my experience of life. And so It Is.

And So It is.

See what's happening on our social sites



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