Volunteer Day

On Sunday, April 2, join us to thank our Center’s volunteers for 2016-17, as well as share information on the volunteer opportunities that exist for you now! This will happen before, between, and after services. The Center depends on volunteers in service for so much of how it expresses itself in the world. Volunteers fix mechanical challenges, greet newcomers, and teach our kids. Would you like to feel that you’re a part of things, and get to know the other people around here? To get the full benefit of what we do, join us in doing it! Volunteer openings exist for assisting in our children’s and youth programs; gardening; maintenance; performing musically on Sundays and Wednesdays; assisting with our cast shows, coffeehouses, blood drives, Sunday brunches, and other events; ushering and greeting at services; the Buddy Backpack project; and more!

April 2017

Do your little bit of good where you are. It’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm our world... We are each made for goodness, love and compassion.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Mid-spring Morning of the Goddess

This is an invitation to all women to join the circle of our goddess sister-friends on Saturday, April 8, 10AM-1PM, in Katherman Hall, facilitated by minister Marsha Lehman. Springtime calls us into spring cleaning and clearing. Join our circle of women as we experience the meditation, “Up the Mountain,” by Lynn Andrews. This meditation has to do with giving away emotional, psychic, and intellectual debris within your system. Your inner goddess will guide you as you walk in a spiraling fashion up the mountain. As you feel the cleansing through the meditation and our circle ceremony you will leave knowing that there is nothing that can hold you back from reaching the summit of the sacred mountain within yourself. As we continue to experience the fun and magic of the morning we will share lunch and meaningful conversation with our goddess sister-friends. Please bring your journal for art-filled creating, a salad to share, and your favorite noise-maker (drum, bells, tambourine, pot and wooden spoon, etc.) Cookies, croissants and iced tea will be provided, as well as art supplies. Appreciative giving is welcome! Please sign up in Builders’ Hall. For more information, please call/text (281) 773-4376 or e-mail...
Wisdom of the Universe weekly discussions

We are studying the confluence of metaphysics and science to help us better understand how the world of consciousness gives rise to our world of form. Using books, speakers and various forms of media, we bring current information forward for open discussion.

**WEDNESDAYS,** 12-2PM, led by Denese & Dick Schmelzkopf, who also teach at the Academy of Lifelong Learning at Lone Star College (Montgomery). All are welcome and you may join anytime. Appreciative giving. For more information...

denes28@comcast.net

A Course in Miracles weekly discussions

A Course in Miracles is “a unique, universal, self-study spiritual thought system that teaches the way to Love and Inner Peace is through forgiveness.” (acim.org)

The Course states, “...seek not to change the world, but choose to change your mind about the world.”

The group is now in its 11th year of weekly meetings at CLC, led by Bill and practitioner Cathy MacKenzie, 7PM THURSDAYS, in Katherman Hall, upstairs. All are welcome; join anytime. Appreciative giving. For more information...

billmackz@gmail.com •••
catmackz@gmail.com

CODA meetings

Codependents Anonymous, a fellowship of people seeking recovery, meets SATURDAYS, 5-6PM, in Katherman Hall, upstairs. For more information: Lisa C. at...

lcuccerre@mtnking.com

You are a master-piece in the making

with music by the GUITAR GEEZERS

DONALD JEANLEWIS

& JESSE JENNINGS

SOUL SESSION: dialogue on prayer

with poetry by DAINILL MERCADEL

A reservoir of goodwill: the "I" that is "we"

with music by BILL BIRCH

Common ground: see clearly, respond wisely

music is TBA

Here’s a new facet to our midweek celebrations: a more or less once-monthly dialogue in place of a lecture. It’s not an interview, and nothing like a debate, but a wide-ranging conversation on some aspect of consciously spiritual living. Unrehearsed and in the moment, building on one another’s ideas, something will emerge that’s unforeseen, astonishing, and greatly useful to everyone within earshot. Called Soul Sessions, the first of these events happens WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, at 7:30PM, in a conversation between Donald Jeanlewis and Jesse Jennings, on prayer. Adding beauty and power to the evening will be the poetry read and recited by Dainill Mercadel.

Grief recovery support group

Are you grieving a loss? Perhaps a death, divorce, pet loss, or any other major life change? If so, and you would like to experience the support of a sacred group, come join Ruth Catalogna and Debra Morwood, meeting on the first floor of the Learning Center. If you would like, please bring your journal for reflection. There is no cost and donations may be made to CLC. Ruth Catalogna is a retired nurse and social worker. She spent most of her career caring for elders in various settings. The last 12 years she spent caring for hospice patients at bedside and also served as in office support staff for three years. She is currently retired, but volunteers on many committees at CLC. Ruth has been a licensed practitioner for four years, and an active, supportive member of CLC since 2004. Rev. Debra Morwood is a Board Certified Clinical Chaplain and Pastoral Counselor who is currently working part time for Bristol Hospice. For 17 years, she has been involved with spiritual care for hospice patients and their families. Debra has been a licensed practitioner since 2007, CLC youth minister since 2009, and member of CLC since 2003.

The group next meets TUESDAYS, APRIL 4 & 18, 7-8PM. For more information, please e-mail racatalogna@hotmail.com or debramorwood@sbcglobal.net
Booster Buffet
Monthly healthy-eating event
Dainill Mercadel and Doris Penny have created — with your help — a first-Sunday-of-the-month brunch and social experience. The next one is SUNDAY, APRIL 2, after the 11AM service, happening alongside Volunteer Day (see the front cover). The theme for April’s Booster Buffet is “indoor picnic,” and we’ll build it around a spiral-cut ham. So what goes with that? A lot of salad varieties, for sure — green, potato, pasta — plus cole slaw, beans, hundreds of deviled eggs, you get the idea. You bring it, we’ll eat it. To volunteer, or with questions...
Dainill: dani_j_37@yahoo.com
Doris: damsp6@hotmail.com

Sunday morning Meditations
“...Sit and rest and refresh your soul. Eat of the fruit and drink the wine. All, all is yours, and you are welcome.” — The Science of Mind text
Each week’s is led by a CLC practitioner, and lasts about 35 minutes, ending in time to comfortably get into the 11:00 celebration. There is music to enhance as you are guided into a restful state, and inspirational readings to tap into your spiritual center. Most sessions will end with a spiritual mind treatment based on the theme of the readings. SUNDAY 10:15-10:50AM, in the newly completed and dedicated Maléné Njéri Meditation Space, upstairs in the Learning Center. For more information, please e-mail practitioner Darlene Everitt at dmes23@yahoo.com

Blood drive and brunch
Our next drive happens SUNDAY, MAY 28, along with a potluck brunch. For over 20 years CLCers have been serving the community quarterly in this way. At giveblood.org you can register as a donor and schedule your donation time. In any month we have a drive, if you’re unable to make it, you may visit a neighborhood donation center and have them credit your donation to organization number 1191. We seek volunteers to set up and clean up after the meal, place signs, etc. The team leader is Doris Penny, assisted by Michael Duncan, David Ferrier and Dainill Mercadel. Please sign up in Builders’ Hall to donate or bring food. The next drive after this is on AUGUST 13. More information...
damsp6@hotmail.com

Sunday talks online
Access to the Creative Life teaching has launched online, where you can find archived Sunday messages from 2012 forward. A CLC Sunday encouragement is now as close as your computer, smartphone, or tablet. You can also easily share these talk links with friends, and there’s a PayPal link nearby if you choose to contribute.
creativelife.org/sundaytalks.html

Center recordings
Individual CDs are $4. Use the bookstore clipboard to order, pre-pay, then pick up, or add $2 per CD for mailing. Sundays or Wednesdays are $60 for three months; $115, six months; $200, one year; $350 two years, including postage. For both, double the prices. Or pay half that for an mp3 file of the talk only, e-mailed to you. You may order here, or go to creativelife.org/bookstore.html

Your Guide to Creative Life mini-workshop
Here’s a short, free workshop with founding minister Jesse Jennings and practitioner Ruth Catalogna, that’s especially for those new to CLC, and a prerequisite for anyone wishing to become a member who has not yet completed Heartfelt Living. We’ll discuss the basics of our philosophy and way of life, but also how the Center came to be, and how it’s cared for and supported; our classes and programs; and what membership means. There will be time for questions, and you’ll get printed materials to take home. SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 1:00-2:30PM, in the Quimby Room. Please sign up in Builders’ Hall or by e-mail to...
info@creativelife.org

Project Teddy Bear
Alline Dawson coordinates this annual collection of stuffed animals (new ones, ideally), which sit with us in the services for the month of MAY and then toddle off to new homes in the arms of appreciative children. Previous years’ bears have gone to local children’s hospitals; to the Harris County Sheriff’s Office to be given to displaced and traumatized kids; and to Honduras. Alline can direct you to the best bear deals, and welcomes your help:
allinedawson@yahoo.com

“Undie Sunday”
Please bring donations of new teen-sized underwear, socks and toiletries on or before SUNDAY, MAY 7 for the kids of Montrose GracePlace (see more about this on page 9). There’s a collection bin in Builders’ Hall. For more information on this project, please contact Zander Dawson...zanne.dawson@gmail.com
Emily Elbert returns!

Emily Elbert weaves together a rhythmic funk-folk blend of introspection and celebration. With a global, D.I.Y. spirit, she has carried her music around the world, playing over a thousand independent shows from Peru to Palestine. Anchored by intricate guitar work and an old-soul voice, Emily’s songs offer progressive perspective while paying tribute to the timeless. She has independently released four albums, and two new singles, “Letting Go / Here & Now,” in November 2016. Recently, Emily spent a year touring as a member of Esperanza Spalding’s experimental music and theater project, “Emily’s D+Evolution.” The group recorded an album to wide critical acclaim, and played shows ranging from the Late Show with Stephen Colbert to the Sydney Opera House. Solo, Emily has had the honor of opening for acts including Leon Russell, Victor Wooten, G. Love & Special Sauce, Richie Havens, Emily King, Robben Ford, Raul Midon, Kaki King, Nneka, Jorge Drexler, and Tuck & Patti, and collaborated with artists ranging from Ben Taylor to Dweezil Zappa. Her music has garnered praise from publications like the Washington Post, Utne Reader, and Glamour Magazine, and won awards in the U.S. and U.K. Through authentic song sharing, she strives for a deepening sense of human and spiritual connection that is accessible to all. She joins us again on SUNDAYS, APRIL 2 and MAY 14! emilyelbert.com

Dana Cooper does too!

Dana Cooper has performed on “Austin City Limits,” “Mountain Stage,” and at the Kerrville Folk Festival where he was nominated for their Hall of Fame. His mixture of flat-picking, finger-picking and percussive strumming style is legend among other guitarists, and his voice is ageless, evoking a rich lifetime of experience. He was signed to Elektra Records, releasing his first album in 1973 featuring acclaimed players Leland Sklar, Russ Kunkel and Jim Horn. Moving to Texas, Cooper wrote, recorded and performed with Shake Russell in the late 1970s and with his own power trio, DC3, in the early ’80s. Now an integral figure in the Nashville songwriting community, his critically-acclaimed Miracle Mile on Compass Records was nominated for a Nashville Music Award as Best Pop Album and was chosen by Performing Songwriter magazine as one of the top DIY recordings for the year. Harry Truman Built a Road was named one of the best records of 2002 by The Tennessean. Made of Mud (2005) won him the “Best Male Songwriter Award” by Indie Acoustic Project. Cooper recently released The Conjuror, which features Grammy™-winning singer/songwriter Kim Carnes, who co-wrote the opening song, “Enough.” Dana makes his fifth visit to CLC at both services SUNDAY, APRIL 23! danacoopermusic.com

Buddy Mondlock

Buddy Mondlock’s songs have been recorded by Guy Clark, Nanci Griffith and Janis Ian, to name just a few. In 1987 he was a New Folk Award Winner at Kerrville and he released his first album called On the Line. David Wilcox recorded Buddy’s “The Kid” for A&M, and Buddy has written with Garth Brooks and Janis Ian; their song “Amsterdam” was recorded by Joan Baez. His “Comin’ Down In the Rain” was recorded by Nanci Griffith, as was “Every Now and Then,” by Garth Brooks. Later Buddy collaborated with Peter, Paul and Mary; then Art Garfunkel and Maia Sharp, writing and recording an album together, Everything Waits To Be Noticed, touring all over America and Europe, singing together like feathers in a wing. His newest CD is The Memory Wall. Buddy visits CLC again at 9:30 & 11AM on SUNDAY, APRIL 30! buddymondlock.com

In May, we welcome back Bob Livingston

As a member of Austin’s legendary Lost Gonzo Band for many years, performing and recording with such visionaries as Jerry Jeff Walker, Michael Martin Murphey, and Ray Wylie Hubbard, Bob Livingston played an integral role in creating the music that first earned Austin the designation of “Live Music Capital of the World.” The Gonzo’s self-titled debut record was named one of Rolling Stone’s “best albums ever to come out of Austin.” Livingston has traveled since the 1980s as a Music Ambassador for the US Dept. of State, and was named “International Music Ambassador,” in 2010 by the Austin City Council. Of his Texas Music Award-winning album, Gypsy Alibi, co-produced with Lloyd Maines, the Austin Chronicle said, “Beautifully crafted, world music-inspired songwriting.” Bob visits us again on SUNDAY, MAY 28! texasmusic.org/bob_livingston.php

Movers & Shakers dance performance group

Movers & Shakers will begin the new rehearsal block the first week in JUNE. In this block we will work on one tap dance and one jazz dance. Look for the signup sheet and details about day and time (likely, still TUESDAYS from 6:30-8:30PM) in May. In the meantime, as we create a separate “radio theater” experience, we are seeking anyone interested in helping with sound effects, props, or serving as an understudy. Also, Movers & Shakers will be looking for a Technical Manager for the next block, to record rehearsals and photograph on performance nights. If you are interested in assisting us, full details are in the weekly e-mails. Please contact Jeffrey Powell before JUNE 1, or with questions about any of this... powell.jeffreyr@live.com • (281) 733-1295
**Spring Clean Your Life**

You’ve heard of spring cleaning your house — what about your life? Join **Kelly Balachandran** on an eight-week journey to **Spring Clean Your Life**!

Take stock! • Identify daily success habits • What’s zapping your energy? • Let go of what’s holding you back • Detox your toxic relationships • Get it done! • Your 3-month vision • Identify your “Spring Clean” Goals!

Come and work on clearing out and spring cleaning your life — then move forward feeling lighter and ready to reach your goals! Class happens on **SATURDAYS**, starting **MAY 6**, from **10AM-12PM**. Cost is $50, inclusive of all materials. Please sign up in Builders’ Hall and for more information, please e-mail...

KcBala77@gmail.com

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**“Nikki’s Light” 5K Walk Team**

**Team Nikki’s Light** will walk again in the 2017 Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. It is a chance to remember our beloved **Nikki Willis**, harbor some health, commune with compatriots, contribute to a cause, and march for the mammary! The walk is a 5K (about 3.1 miles) and will take place at Discovery Green, downtown, on **SATURDAY, MAY 20**, with registration at **7:30AM** and the walk starting at **9AM**. How you can help • Register to walk with **Team Nikki’s Light** (follow the link at the bottom of this email). • Follow that link to make a donation online. • See organizer **Jeffrey Powell** in person to make a donation by cash or check. • Help rally the troops, cheer and keep us going through crafting, managing the site, fundraising, etc. • Treatment, prayer and meditation on love & health for all.

For more information, contact Jeffrey Powell at (281) 733-1295 or powell.jeffreyr@live.com. The link is...

http://main.acsevents.org/goto/teamnikkislight2017

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**WE RISE AS ONE**

**SATURDAY**

JUNE 10

7PM

**TICKETS**

$20 @ CLC & ONLINE


**Children & Youth**

Children begin their Sunday learning adventures in the registration area in the youth foyer, 10:15-11AM on SUNDAYS, then move to their classes, returning to the Great Hall to be reunited with their parents in time for the closing song. Some Sundays we offer special theme workshops for the kids, too.

- For parents: age-appropriate prayer/treatment opens all the classes, and for each class there is age-appropriate discussion of the monthly theme and creative projects to enhance the learning.
- Just after noon all the teachers and children gather in the reception area of the Learning Center for our closing prayer circle. Following this, the teachers will bring the children to you in the Great Hall. Please remember that no youth are to roam the Center grounds unattended.

Our youth minister and chaplain is Debra Morwood at (281) 651-9295 or debramorwood@sbcglobal.net

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**Children's Easter Party**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 16**

At 11AM on Easter Sunday, CLC kids will enjoy a holiday party just for them! To help plan and decorate, see Rev. Marsha or Margaret Byrd!

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**What We Teach Our Children**

We teach our children that God is Life — the Life within each of them and in all Creation — that all people are children of the One God, and therefore, are all brothers and sisters. • We teach that God is all-inclusive and we are each created in the image of God — Good. • We teach that God is Love, and we honor God-in-all through love, not fear. • We teach that sin is simply a mistake and when we make mistakes, we are punished by them, not by God. • We teach that God is Spirit and present everywhere, that this Spirit is within us and speaks to us through our minds when we are willing to listen. • We teach that there are spiritual laws that must be understood and followed, just as we follow human laws. • We teach that religion is something to be used every day, not just on Sundays. • We teach that Religious Science is a religion that can be used at home, at school and at play; that since God is within us, heaven is also within us, that is we learn to live our lives in harmony with God’s Law, we live in heaven now. • We teach that keeping the mind focused on good causes a richer experience of life. • We teach that God is truth and beauty, peace and harmony; that as we grow to be more like God, our lives will be filled with health, happiness and success. • We teach that nothing is too wonderful to happen, nothing is too good to be true: everything is possible to God through me and you! —adapted from a work by Dorothy Quigley

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**How It Works**

The CLC Children’s and Youth Services Department is devoted to celebrating the spiritual development of each child we teach. All age groups are involved in various activities, workshops, and special projects incorporating the teachings of Science of Mind. We strive to create an atmosphere of love and kindness in our words and actions toward each other and to recognize and honor the diversity of every person.

- **Toddlers** (up to age 3) are lovingly cared for by our toddler teachers. In their very artistically designed Discovery Room, the children are encouraged to interact and experience their world as only a toddler can. They are offered games, toys, books and other age-appropriate activities in a safe, secure and loving environment.

- **3-6 age group.** Beginning around the age of 3, our toddlers are moved to the Ingenuity Room. This group begins to learn the basics of Treatment and the value of giving a smile and a kind word. Our creative teachers provide age-appropriate instruction and activities.

- **7-10 age group** are in the Quimby Room, regularly practicing the steps of Treatment presented in a manner appropriate to their age group. The teachers provide learning tools, creative projects, workshops and other teaching methods to engage each child’s learning of the principles of Science of Mind.

- **11-15 age group** meet on the second floor of the Learning Center in the Hopkins classroom. They are engaged in special projects, workshops, have guest speakers and are involved in several volunteer service endeavors at CLC. The teachers working with this group encourage their talents, keep them engaged in learning Science of Mind principles and we throw in a bit of fun along the way!
Thank you SO much!
Here is our honor roll of volunteers from the past 12 months...

Ken Dwight
Tammie Ellis, RSc.P.
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Darlene Everitt, RSc.P.
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We’re grateful for

♥ Sean Kenneth Connelly, Jimmy Caldwell, Francesca Perot-Starcevic, Richard Stromatt, and everyone else who maintains our campus grounds...
♥ Dainill Mercadel and Doris Penny, who coordinated both the March 5th Booster Brunch and the March 26th blood drive and brunch — assisted by Michael Duncan, David Ferrer, and Carol Stromatt, among others...
♥ All who helped with the March 5th Malené Njeri Meditation Space dedication ceremony, especially Ruth Catalognia, David Dewhurst, Darlene Everitt, Rev. Marsha Lehman, Troy McConnell (performing his beautiful song, “The Oak and the Willow” — see below), Lisa Ryan, Richard Stromatt, and Rev. Dr. Cheyenne Eichelberger, Senior Pastor of the Greater Wesley AME Church in Malené’s hometown of Kendleton...
♥ Nancy Bonilla-May, Rochelle Siurek Barker, Ruth Macias, Shalene Macias Garcia, and Jeffrey Powell, who put on the 2017 Danceathon benefiting Buddy Backpack...
♥ Minister Morene Barker-Morris, who again led the Sunday afternoon QuickStart class...
♥ Ruth Catalognia and Rev. Myokei Caine-Barrett, who are again leading a diversity workshop experience...
♥ Minister Arthur Johnson, for creating and leading the Monday night It’s Time to Prosper series...
♥ March’s musicians and poets Bill Birch, Jim Gibson, Cedric Johnson, Lisa Johnson, David Mayes, Troy McConnell, Geoffry Oshman, Dick Schmelzkopf and Brian Schwanitz; Wednesday speaker Donald Jeanlewis; and the amazing PEPsters & PEPpers...
♥ March’s usher/greeters Deb Barnes, Janet Carman, Chip Carney, Linda Clesson, David Dewhurst (coordinator), Ken Dwight, Jim Gibson & Anne Gillis, Elly Hard, Cedric Johnson, Michael Martin, Shirley Sandlin, Peggy Schneider, Judith Sherbenou, Lakisha Smith, Phil Villarreal, Ahmad Vital, Sarah Westbrook and Monty Wilson!

In Memoriam

♥ Ellen Paquette, CLC member since 2010, left this earth on March 4th;
♥ Barbara Shapley, mother of our Cindy Thornby, graduated into larger life on February 22nd; and
♥ Brian Joseph Schwanitz, father of our Brian Schwanitz, passed into Spirit on March 1st. Our prayers surround these families as they mourn and heal.

Weddings

♥ Linda Bashir & Winslow Crockwell were married on February 25th;
♥ Jessica Stephens & Will Sherman were married on March 4th; and
♥ Kelly Hall & Michael Rimpley were married on March 18th.

These ceremonies were performed by minister Debra Morwood.

New Members

Jennifer Golden • Conroe
Contessa & Michelle Haynes • Houston

Featured book

His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, retired Anglican Archbishop of Southern Africa, discuss pain, forgiveness, grace, redemption and healing in this book on which Sunday and Wednesday talks are based this month. Hardcover, $26.

Want to participate in the Center’s music program? E-mail Geoffry Oshman at clscmusic@comcast.net

Conscious giving

Please remember the ongoing life of your Center in your regular giving! You can make a fully tax deductible donation by credit/debit card, via the PayPal link on our website and in our weekly e-mails, or sign up in the bookstore to make automatic monthly contributions!
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The 2016-17 school year is nearing its end, and with it our fourth year of participation, now serving 20 children per weekend, at an estimated total cost of $6,000, or $400 per delivery, or $300 per child served. Know that so far in the program’s history, you have fed over 720 children and their families, 5,320 meals. Remember we count on your financial support, while the team members shop, prepare, pack and deliver the goods. You can help by donating cash or Kroger cards or generic gift cards (only — no checks, please, or other store-specific cards). Creative Life was the pilot partner community with the Montgomery County Food Bank on this project, and since then at least five other churches have joined in. With general questions, and also to volunteer on-site at the new MCFB facility, e-mail BBP team leader Carol Stromatt, cbookstromatt@gmail.com.

Packing team leader Lorraine Sasser has recently assembled some personal stories typical of the children and youth we serve, for a better picture of the importance of this work. One of these is below center.

Our Creative Life practitioners are outstanding spiritual support persons, available to lovingly and confidentially assist you, and are at your service. Each has spent hundreds of hours in training, to direct natural compassion into helping you through listening, caring, and using spiritual mind treatment — affirmative prayer — to reveal the truth of you that is greater than any apparent limitation. Each is licensed by the Centers for Spiritual Living, and engages in ongoing study and spiritual development.

Have a new goal, an old problem, or a question about applying our teaching? Work with a practitioner and watch what happens with conscious use of the Law of Mind!

• At prayer circles after each SUNDAY service in the Garden Room, with the Practitioner-of-the-Day. Also, practitioner Sheryl Boyle hosts a weekly gathering, TUESDAYS, now at 8:30 PM, by telebridge (phone) where you can join with others to submit prayer requests and have them treated upon. This is a free service. Call (605) 475-3235 and enter code 664697#.
• By appointment, on an individual fee basis, for a one-hour session of spiritual support and treatment.
• Prayer anytime. The CSL World Ministry of Prayer handles urgent requests at (866) 306-5546.

Who do we help? Buddy Backpack

“Megan” is a 10-year-old fifth-grader who recently lost her father after his long illness caused by several massive strokes. Megan’s parents are much older than most of the other parents in Megan’s class. Megan’s mom works nights at Wal-Mart, but this is not enough to make ends meet as she has a mortgage, and doctor and funeral bills. The family does not qualify for SNAP at this time; but were told to reapply in three months. With the help of the school staff, Megan was selected to be part of the Buddy Backpack program. Her mom was so relieved as this helps them tremendously. With plenty to eat on the weekends, Megan is now able to spend some time on fun outings with a mentor from the community. She has been able to open up about recently losing her dad. Her teachers report that Megan is doing well and is back to

GracePlace support

Please bring donations of new teen-sized underwear, socks and toiletries for the kids of Montrose GracePlace, a safe haven and resource provider for homeless LGBT youth. There’s a collection bin in Builders’ Hall. Contact Zander Dawson at... zanne.dawson@gmail.com

Shoes for Honduras

Used shoes are requested for children and adults in Roatán, Honduras — any size or type, especially athletic shoes, as well as soccer cleats, uniform jerseys, and any other soccer supplies such as goalie gloves, shin guards, and deflated soccer balls. Please use the bin by the copy room. For more info, contact Lynn Rippelmeyer at (281) 799-9866 or ljripp@comcast.net

Life Center support

This residential care facility for the homeless in the Heights, gratefully accept donations of cleaning supplies, trash bags, non-perishable food, clothing, hygiene products, light bulbs, appliances, cooking utensils, linens, and blankets. No computer hardware, thanks. Please use the bin by the copy room. Contact Michael Martin, michael@meslawfirm.com

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Meditation 10:30A  
Prayer Circle 10:30A  
Children & Youth 11A  
Volunteer Day & potluck brunch  
ALL MORNING. | **3** Movers & Shakers  
**DANCE TEAM PRACTICE 6-8P**  
**GRIEF GROUP SUPPORT/DISCUSSION 7P**  
Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P  
**Practitioner I CLASS 24 OF 30 6:30P** | **4** Wisdom of the Universe  
**DISCUSSION 12P**  
Midweek celebration **YOU ARE A MASTERPIECE IN THE MAKING JESSE JENNINGS 7:30P**  
**Prayer Circle**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 25 OF 30 6:30P** | **5** Exploring Our Common Ground  
**DISCUSSION ON DIVERSITY WEEK 4 OF 8 7P**  
A Course in Miracles **DISCUSSION 7P** | **6**  
**The Power of Your Word**  
**CLASS 6 OF 8 7P**  
CODA Meeting **7P** | **7**  
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**CLASS 7 OF 8 7P**  
CODA Meeting **5P** | **8**  
**Morning of the Goddess**  
**10A-10P**  
CODA Meeting **5P** |
| **9** Celebrations 9:30 - 11A, with Minister Jesse Jenkins: **ON HUMILITY: TEMPORARY ROLES AND FUNDAMENTAL IDENTITY**  
Meditation 10:30A  
Prayer Circle 10:30A  
Your Guide to CLC Workshop 1:00-2:30P  
**Practitioner I CLASS 26 OF 30 6:30P** | **10** Passover begins at sunset  
**11** Movers & Shakers  
**DANCE TEAM PRACTICE 6-8P**  
**GRIEF GROUP SUPPORT/DISCUSSION 7P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 27 OF 30 6:30P** | **12** Wisdom of the Universe  
**DISCUSSION 12P**  
Midweek celebration **SOUL SESSION: DIALOGUE ON PRAYER DONALD BANLEWES & JESSE JENNINGS 7:30P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 28 OF 30 6:30P** | **13** Exploring Our Common Ground  
**DISCUSSION ON DIVERSITY WEEK 5 OF 8 7P**  
A Course in Miracles **DISCUSSION 7P** | **14**  
**The Power of Your Word**  
**FINAL CLASS 7P**  
CODA Meeting **5P** | **15**  
**Buddy Backpack**  
**FINAL CLASS 7P**  
CODA Meeting **5P** |
| **16** Easter Celebrations 9:30 - 11A, with Minister Jesse Jenkins: **UNTIL CLOTHED WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH PLUS MUSICAL GUESTS, THE PEPTERS & PEPPERS**  
Meditation 10:30A  
Prayer Circle 10:30A  
Children’s Easter party & lunch  
**Practitioner I CLASS 29 OF 30 6:30P** | **17** Buddy Backpack  
**DELIVERY TEAM 10:15A**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 30 OF 30 6:30P** | **18** Movers & Shakers  
**DANCE TEAM PRACTICE 6-8P**  
**GRIEF GROUP SUPPORT/DISCUSSION 7P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 31 OF 30 6:30P** | **19** Wisdom of the Universe  
**DISCUSSION 12P**  
Midweek celebration **A RESERVOIR OF GOODWILL: THE “F” THAT IS “WE” JESSE JENNINGS 7:30P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 32 OF 30 6:30P** | **20**  
**Exploring Our Common Ground**  
**DISCUSSION ON DIVERSITY WEEK 6 OF 8 7P**  
A Course in Miracles **DISCUSSION 7P** | **21** Good Friday  
**CODA MEETING 5P** |
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**CODA MEETING 5P** | **23** Celebrations 9:30 - 11A, with Minister Jesse Jenkins: **LIFE IS TOO IMPORTANT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY** plus musical guest **DANA COOPER**  
Meditation 10:30A  
Prayer Circle 10:30A  
**Practitioner I CLASS 33 OF 30 6:30P** | **24** Movers & Shakers  
**DANCE TEAM PRACTICE 6-8P**  
**GRIEF GROUP SUPPORT/DISCUSSION 7P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 34 OF 30 6:30P** | **25** Wisdom of the Universe  
**DISCUSSION 12P**  
Midweek celebration **COMMON GROUND: SEE CLEARLY, RESPOND WISELY JESSE JENNINGS 7:30P**  
**Prayer Circle by Telebridge 8:30P**  
**Practitioner I CLASS 35 OF 30 6:30P** | **26**  
**Exploring Our Common Ground**  
**DISCUSSION ON DIVERSITY WEEK 7 OF 8 7P**  
A Course in Miracles **DISCUSSION 7P** | **27**  
**CODA MEETING 5P** |
| **28**  
**CODA MEETING 5P** | **29**  
**CODA MEETING 5P** | **30** Celebrations 9:30 - 11A, with Minister Jesse Jenkins: **ACCEPTANCE: TURNING OUR FACES TO THE WIND** plus musical guest **BUDDY MONDLOCK**  
Meditation 10:30A  
Prayer Circle 10:30A  
**Practitioner I CLASS 36 OF 30 6:30P** | **APRIL SERIES**  
**Pillars of Joy**  
**LASTING HAPPINESS AMID CHANGE**  
**EMILY ELBERT performs**  
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