

UNITY of St. Petersburg's NEWSLETTER

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Vision:

Unity of St. Petersburg celebrates and supports the realizing and expressing of our divine purpose through prayer, community, and spiritual education.

Mission:

Centered in God, we co-create a world that works for all.

Values:

1. **Spirit-Led** - We are centered in God. Spirit leads our thoughts and actions as we co-create a world that works for all.
2. **Integrity** - We act from a place of wholeness and are ethical in all our actions. We keep our word.
3. **Diversity** - We believe that all people are created with sacred worth. We promote greater understanding among people in a spirit of unity.
4. **Transformation** - We are a dynamic movement on the cutting edge of spiritual evolution. We teach universal spiritual principles that change lives.
5. **Prosperity** - Living in the infinite flow of God's good, we draw from God's inexhaustible supply and wisely use our rich resources to serve the world

Thoughts From the Minister Rev. Fred Clare



What an exciting time it is here at Unity of St. Petersburg. We are truly a dynamic and thriving community! It is amazing how God works. For the past five weeks, our Wednesday Morning Discussion Group has been participating in Mel Inafazon's Prosperity Experiment. We began with the intention to demonstrate a massive, Divine, observable prosperity for Unity of St. Petersburg. Well, if you have been here recently you certainly can see that the experiment has produced results.

Our Family Ministry is reaching new heights, activities and events are filling our calendar and it seems everyday people are approaching me with new ideas and suggestions on how we can serve not only the youth but all of our spiritual family. Lindsay is planning field trips with our children so they can get to know each other and we are planning on increasing the classrooms for our youth so we can better accommodate different age groups. Cathleen McCoy has stepped forward to participate in bringing music to the youth as well.

And speaking of music, how blessed we are to have Mele's energy and talent as she establishes our Music Ministry. The wonderful guest musicians she has scheduled, her Music Ministry Program after service which resulted in forming a choir that will perform on Sunday morning, and working with the talent we have here is bringing a great energy and expression. Our music program has been resurrected and is better than ever. Thank you God!

If you have not done so lately, I invite you to check out our newly remodeled website, www.unitystpete.org. Barbara Murphy has been putting in many hours of service to get this new, improved, and welcoming site up and running. Again we are blessed by her talent and willingness to serve.

I continue to be impressed with the level of talent we have at our monthly Coffeehouse and to think all these people are donating their time and talents in order for us to provide a safe, clean environment for all to enjoy fun, music, food, and dance. If you have not done so yet, check it out.

The Wednesday Morning Class set the intention, affirmed the Truth, and held in consciousness that Unity of St. Petersburg demonstrates a massive, Divine, observable prosperity and it is so! What a demonstration of the power of collective prayer. Thank you and Thank you God!

Rev. Fred

For current information about events and activities at Unity of St. Petersburg visit our website at www.unitystpete.org



OUTREACH TEAM UPDATE

Our High Tea on January 24th was so much fun and our "Souls for Souls" shoe drive was a great success. We collected approximately 350 pairs of shoes which were donated to three local shelters. Thanks to everyone involved!

Our new local project for 2010 is "Operation Birthday Child". We will deliver nice birthday gifts and Birthday cards signed by the Birthday Fairy to children currently living in one of four shelters in St. Petersburg allowing these children to know they are cherished children of God.

Our new global project is providing microloans to women in 3rd world countries through FINCA Int. FINCA was founded twenty-five years ago and ranks in the top 1% of the Best Run Charities by Charter Navigator. These microloans empower women to start a small business, improve the lives of their children and become role models for their girls. 98% of these loans are repaid by the women within a year allowing FINCA to finance another women's business. A gift that will keep on giving.

Information, pictures, and donation boxes for both projects are located in the Outreach Corner, located between the kitchen and library. In this, the sixth year of our Outreach Team, God is giving us once again the opportunity to demonstrate our oneness with everyone by making some lives a little happier, a little easier, and more hopeful which in turn makes our lives more meaningful and joyful.

Love & Peace
Tania Citvaras
Outreach Team Leader

2010 FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Feb</u>	<u>2010</u>
Operating Income:	\$ 7,940.97	\$ 16,831.87
Operating Expenses:	\$ 7,888.42	\$ 16,507.29
Net Gain/Loss:	\$ 87.47	\$ 324.58

Unity of St. Petersburg tithes 10% of its gross income.

UNITY of St. Petersburg's 2010 Board of Trustees



Rev. Judy Saitta

**WELCOME
TO THE
BOARD**



Marie Brumer

After our Annual Membership Meeting where Marie Brumer and Rev. Judy Saitta were elected as our new Board Trustees, a meeting was called to elect the Board Officers.

Unity of St. Petersburg's new Board of Trustees :

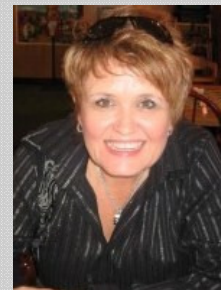
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**MARCH 12
COFFEEHOUSE
ENTERTAINER**



**Doors open
7:30pm**



MELANIE - "MEL"


A talented dynamo of a gospel performer/singer/songwriter, well-known throughout Florida. Blended with her keyboard skills, bluesy voice, and song-writing, Mel sings with a power and glow that turns her songs into a sermon and autobiography all at once. Her range and motivation make her an absolute FORCE that lifts and moves an audience.

Join us on Friday, March 12th , 7:30 pm.

No Cover and snacks and refreshments are available.




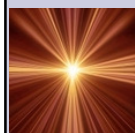
March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>EVERY SUNDAY</p> <p>Meditation 9:45 Worship 10:30 am</p>	<p><i>1</i></p> <p>A Course In Miracles 7pm</p> <p>ACA Meeting 7 pm</p>	<p><i>2</i></p>	<p><i>3</i> TONES FOR LIVING 7pm</p> <p>40 Days to Greatness 7-9</p> <p>Study Group 9:30-11 am</p> <p>Yoga 5-6pm</p>	<p><i>4</i> The Silence 4-4:45 pm</p> <p>Acupuncturists W/o Borders 7:30 pm</p> <p>Yoga 5-6pm</p>	<p><i>5</i></p> <p>OA Meeting 6 pm</p>	<p><i>6</i></p>
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<p><i>28</i> PALM SUNDAY</p> <p>Book Study 1pm</p> <p>Joyful Energy Circles 3-5pm</p> <p>Music 12:15-1pm</p> <p>Debtor's Anonymous 4pm</p>	<p><i>29</i></p> <p>A Course In Miracles 7pm</p> <p>ACA Meeting 7 pm</p>	<p><i>30</i></p>	<p><i>31</i></p>			



April 2010

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HOLY WEEK
Special Services
April 1st, 2nd, & 4th

Maundy Thursday begins our celebration of Holy Week, where we receive the opportunity to participate in our own Easter experience. On Thursday, April 1st, Unity of St. Petersburg's 5th Annual Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil and Communion Service will commence with a twelve hour continuous prayer vigil held in our Garden Chapel. This year our focus for this sacred vigil is "Coming Into Our Greatness".

Our Prayer Vigil begins at 6 am on the 1st and runs until 6 pm. Sign up to participate in the Prayer Vigil in thirty minutes increments in our bookstore or by calling the church office. You may participate at any time during this vigil but we request you enter the chapel only on the hour or the half hour to maintain the sacredness of the space. A willingness to participate is the only requirement. Following the prayer vigil is our special Maundy Thursday Communion Service where we affirm the presence of God's substance and life within us. It is our opportunity to come to the banquet God has prepared for us this Easter Season. Say yes to God by joining together with your spiritual family.

The next day, Friday, is our Annual Good Friday Service held at 6 pm where we are led through releasing our mortal limitations in preparation of bringing forth the new life of great fullness by Rev. Fred. Holy week concludes with a special Easter Sunday Service and a special Easter presentation, The Week That Changed the World by Laura Watts.



PRAYER CLASS!
Wednesday
April 14th & 21st
6:30– 8:30 pm

Tune up your prayer life by joining Rev. Fred for this two week class on prayer.

Offered on a love offering basis.

NEW CLASS!

METAPHYSICS

**Tuesdays, April 27th
through May 25th**

6:30-8:30 PM

Facilitated by Bill Allard, LUT

**WHAT IS THE NATURE OF THE DIVINE?
WHY AM I HERE?**

**WHAT IS THE NATURE OF BEING?
IS LIFE CONSCIOUSNESS?**

If you desire to dig into the many possibilities of the above, then please join Bill Allard LUT as he facilitates the new accredited SEE class, **Metaphysics. Heart-Centered Metaphysics** will be the text for the class and is available in our bookstore.

Give your consciousness battery a peaceful boost, come as you are and leave in a state of peace, power, and tranquility. Each evening will end with a **ONENESS Experience Meditation.**

Cost- an exchange of energy.



Creative Day
Saturday March 20th
COME ALL DAY OR PICK AND CHOOSE

Come join the fun at our Creative Day

*defy gravity by setting eggs on end,
change plain tap water into an energy drink,
and plant a seed infused with your DNA to
nourish your body!*

Special Classes Available on Creative Day

**9 -11 A.M. *Beginning Music Writing with
Lauren Lane Powell***

**2 -6 P.M. *Intermediate Music Writing with
Lauren* \$25 each class or both for \$40**

**Finish Creative Day with
*The St Petersburg Singing Circle 6:30 -9 P.M.***

Love offering taken

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Sunday Services

9:45 a.m. Prayer & Meditation Service
10:30 a.m. Children's Church
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday
9:00 to 12 noon

Bookstore Hours: 10-12:30 Sunday

Manager, Joy Roberts

Prayer of Protection

*The Light of God surrounds us.
The Love of God enfolds us.
The Power of God protects us.
The Presence of God watches over us.
Wherever we are, God is and all is well*

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