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Lines From Linda

Namaste!

My niece, Chantelle, gave me a painting with the following quote from "A Course in Miracles" boldly printed over the flowing pinks, greens, blue-grays, whites and blacks.

"You who are the source of all power, whose rays illuminate the whole world, illuminate also my heart so that it too can do your work."

This painting now hangs on the wall above the computer in the church office.

I placed it there as a memorial to Chantelle. At the young age of 41, she made her transition, she died, she passed away. There are so many ways to express this life passage. Yes, what we call death is a transition in life, not the end of life. I know she lives on in that which we call God. She continues to share her illumined spiritual heart sending rays into the world in which we live and as she always has beyond this space through eternity.

I remember her in so many human forms; extending mom's belly before she appeared, a babe, a toddler, happy little girl, searching teen, beautiful giving and loving young woman soft of voice and gentle in presence. Hopes, desires, needs all through these phases of life some fulfilled, some incomplete.

In my Spirit I know Chantelle's living included all that was to be for her. Yet, in my human heart in my "Auntie Linda" love for her I wanted her to have exceedingly abundant daily joy and love to overflowing. Then my Spirit says: "She did have it all, and continues in the fullest of joy and love."

What is the source of all power whose rays illuminate the world?

The Christ in you the hope of glory! The Christ is what you are through out eternity. God living as the Christ in human form is the source of your eternal existence in all of its varied expressions and manifestations. God is all there is, and we are it. There is no absence of God anywhere no matter the appearance to our physical eyes. Does life end when a body is no longer functioning? A big question isn't it.

For me, right now, life never ends. Don't be concerned for the future be here now allowing your heart to be illumined and radiating your rays into the world.

Linda

Unity Picnic and Celebration Service

Poplar Lane Park

10:30am

Bring a lawn chair and a dish to share

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We Need You!!!

Workday—October 8, 9-12 indoor & outdoor projects

Many hands make light work and joy abounds!



UNITY Classes

SUNDAY 8:45 am

SUNDAY MORNING CLASS

"The Untethered Soul"

By Michael Singer

This book begins by walking you through your relationships with your thoughts and emotions, helping you uncover the source and fluctuations of your inner energy.

MONDAY 7:00 pm

"A COURSE IN MIRACLES "

This ongoing class explores the ways in which we can remove the blocks to love, harmony and peace.

"I could see peace instead of this."

Contact person: Mary Tanton 467-4794

TUESDAY 10:00 am
MORNING GLORIES

"The Third Appearance"
a crisis of perception

By Walter Starcke

Everything that has led up to this moment has been necessary and right for its time; however, what is taking place in the world demands moving into a new level of consciousness free of contradiction. We will expand to a new level of consciousness as we apply the principle in this writing as is our destiny.

You are always welcome in our circle!

UNITY for Community Knit or Crochet

THURSDAY 7:00 pm

Have you wanted to learn to knit or crochet? Join this group of dedicated knitters, etc., and produce items for local women & children, military troops. Needles, hooks, yarn and instructions are provided.



UNITY Prayer Support

Prayer is the heart of all we do in Unity.

Your Prayer Ministry Team is available to pray with you, family or friends. You may make your prayer request in 3 ways:

- 1) email unitypia@sbcglobal.net
 - 2) call the office: 682-8554
 - 3) use the prayer request on our website at www.unitypeoria.org
- Prayer requests are confidential.

SILENT UNITY

24/7 Prayer Ministry

Someone is always praying at Silent Unity, at Unity Village, and you may request prayer at any time, 1-800-669-7729, or email www.silentunity.org
Free printout www.unity.org/free

ON THE WEB

Our Sunday Celebration Services are now on our website

Check it out at

www.unitypeoria.org

The next Wednesday

class will begin in

November

"Twelve Powers in YOU"

More info in November edition of the Unity Messenger

Sacred Healing Meditations

"Provides you a safe haven to Experience Divine love"

Two sessions on Monday evenings at the Center

1st Individual Session: 6:45 pm

2nd Individual Session: 7:30 pm

Facilitators: Juanita Burton (339-9394), Debora Saylor, Christy Egart, Wilma Rinsch

These sessions are offered on a love offering basis to Unity Church.

From My Perspective

This is my birthday month (I am writing this in September). As I sit here looking around my front room every object brings to mind a memory. The round walnut table I use as a coffee table was given to me by my Grandfather Cabeen when I married in 1948. It was old then so now it is probably 100 years old. The teacher desk that is a valuable antique was given to me when my Grandfather died. I love old things not because of their monetary value but because they all have a story. I know that if Home and Gardens we to do a "makeover" they would be very critical of my hodge podge of items and furniture. I could not part with anything as every item has a story to tell, a treasured memory.

I remember the smell of my Grandfather's workshop. When you opened the door the pungent scent of turpentine and the worm smell of old wood enveloped you. I also remember the smell of my Grandmother's kitchen. She baked all her own bread so there was the inviting smell of warm bread that you slathered with home churned butter and homemade jam. My mouth is watering with that memory.

I love nature. As a child we lived on a farm and out our back door was a timber with a creek running through it. I spent many hours as a child exploring every niche and cranny. We found arrow heads and petrified ferns. There was "the cliff" that seemed so tall and dangerous. When I returned several years later as a 21 year old it had shrunk drastically. Our memories do play tricks on us.

One of my fond memories is going to Sunbeam United Presbyterian Church every Sunday. I have the perfect attendance pins to prove it. All my matriarchal relative attended. I was surrounded by love and familiar faces. I also learned lots of very good life lessons there. You were to be kind and loving. You were not to drink, smoke or swear. Not even say damn it or darn. That was a hard one. The Church was a very safe and secure haven. Life as a child was very stable. It was a great blessing to have an extended church family and relatives that loved you.

It is interesting how our lives evolve and change. I now have a spiritual belief that still incorporates many of my basic beliefs that I held as a child into a deeper understanding of my relationship with a god that is no longer out there but God that is within me. I am still evolving into a more spiritually aware being that knows all is still good and all is God. I could not and would not change what is past because it has brought me to where I am now. The journey has been trying at times. It has taken me a long time to learn some lessons and I am still learning.

Ah, Yes!!!!!! I am still learning and if I am granted several more years I will continue to learn more lessons and truths. Birthdays do spark many memories. I will still continue to censor many of them and will choose to see the good in them all. Every day is brand new and will be a memory tomorrow. I continue to strive to see the good in every memory.

Yours on the journey,

Mary Alice

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THIS AND THAT

Happy October
Birthday's !



Workday

Oct 8, 8am–noon

**indoor and outdoor projects
for your service opportunity.**

Fall cleanup – minor repairs

**We need your knowledge,
skills and labor to preserve our
beautiful facilities.**

EVERYTHING

**Everything I see, hear,
touch, feel, taste,
speak, think, imagine
is completing a
perfect circle
God has drawn.**

Meister Eckhart (14th Century Mystic)

**Down By the Riverside
PICNIC and CHURCH SERVICE**

October 2, 10:30am

**at Poplar Lane Park on the river off Route 29,
just north of the Ivy Club
Potluck dinner following service,
bring a dish to share with your Unity family
and a lawn chair for the service.**

DIRECTIONS TO THE PARK: From the McCluggage bridge and Rt. 29 (Galena Road): Go north on 29, approx. 2.1 miles to Poplar Lane (on the right side) turn right. Cross the railroad tracks and proceed to the end of the lane. Welcome to Poplar Lane Park. We will place a sign on Rt. 29 and Poplar Lane.

If the weather interferes with this plan there will be a message on the church answering machine 682-8554. The back up plan is to picnic at the church.

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Sunday Celebration 10:30 am
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UNITY CHURCH OF PEORIA
PURPOSE STATEMENT
Honoring oneness, celebrating life, and expressing love.
MISSION STATEMENT
Being all that God created us to be.
VISION STATEMENT
Creating heaven on earth
through the oneness of mind, body and spirit

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Workday—October 8

8-noon???

***Inside and outside projects need
our attention before winter.***

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"Unity Worldwide Ministries"