

OUR VISION: A Loving and Peaceful World where All of Humanity is Honored as the Divinity Within is Experienced!

Dear Member and Congregant,

Thank you for being a part of this wonderful community. The Center of Peace has been and continues to be one of the greatest experiences that I have had the privilege to be a part of. The Center of Peace being here serves as the backdrop to my joy, I am proud to say that it is here that I learned to accept the wonder that comes from *"releasing and letting go"*!

This year we are planning a *"Gratitude Luncheon"* on Nov. 12th as part of our Sunday Celebration. It is one way to say Thank You to all who give to TCP. Taking this time to give thanks gives us the opportunity to see in great and many ways how we all are connected to life and each other. Coming together in this way is significant, intentionally taking time to see the Good that we have manifested in our lives and this world is key to living a joy-filled life. Let me remind you, it is through our utilization and demonstration of Spiritual Principles and Practices that we have come to manifest this Good, and to Recognize our Oneness with ALL of LIFE.

This year of releasing and letting go has caused me to recognize that **our greater yet to be** awaits each of us to grab hold of and to face head on the experiences that life brings to us. If we are bold enough, we will discover depths of ourselves that this world needs NOW more than ever! I have come to KNOW that who I AM is greater than anything outside of me, as I know that this is true for me, I know that it is true for you. I am sharing this, so that you come to realize how significant this small, yet mighty community is.

It has been our goal for several years now to manifest our new home, we are now meeting every week in person for our Sunday celebration and via the different social media platforms. YES! It has been wonderful to see those we have not seen in years. We are meeting beyond the four walls with: a trip to Egypt in 2024, New Jersey for beach days, a theater performance, Joe Dispenza's peace walk and more. We honored our children and youth who graduated while we were at home during COVID. We continue to support the greater community with free classes, our community support fund, supported local organizations, ushered in three new licensed practitioners, added staff and have been able to offer support when it is needed most. That is a mere glimpse of what we have done on the outside. I have heard from several people this year who have shared what TCP means to them and their families, for example one person said to me *"the gift that was given to my family member because of the free classes will never be forgotten."* I have heard a few who have found us share, "I've been looking for a place like this, you will not get rid of me." I am sharing this so that you know our being here matters.

What lies ahead for our beloved community is the opportunity to create greater connections with each other as we take one day at a time to discover the Divinity within. I invite you to join us in our desire to continue to create a safe and sacred space for all who are choosing to discover their One-ness with ALL of life.

Our Intentions for 2024:

- 1. Prepare for growth (more staff)
- 2. Create new and exciting ways to come together that go beyond Sunday
- 3. Offer more free classes
- 4. Create opportunities and resources for the spiritual growth of our Leaders

"Abundance is Mine. I cannot be deprived of my supply. The trees do not lack for leaves nor do the flowers fail to bloom." - Ernest Holmes

I am asking that you join us in reaching our goal of \$240,000 in pledge commitments for 2024.

Please take some time going inward before making your financial pledge to The Center of Peace and as you come to realize and recognize the gifts that The Center of Peace has brought to you, know there are thousands more who can and will benefit from our love and our knowing the depth of what lies within.

Please consider giving consistently whatever feels right for you. Your gift of \$5 or \$10 more weekly allows for more free classes, greater outreach, and preparing TCP for sustainable growth. A little more giving from each one of us goes a long way! I am excited to see the good that we create in our own lives and the life of TCP in 2024!

Graciously,

Rev. Twana Malone Senior Minister