

Go Deeper — Keep the Light On!

Our 2027 Conscious Committed Giving Campaign

Beloved Community:

Ernest Holmes once wrote, *“Never has anyone plumbed the depths of their being.”* It is that inner light that allows us to plumb the depths of our being and that has led me to discover within, *“light and light and more light”* — and it is that same light that is within you. My inner light continues to be the most important thing in my awareness, and the most important thing I use, in my life, to lead me to a greater experience of One-ness!

Mark your calendars. On Sunday, November 1, 2026, we will gather for a Quaker-inspired service of stillness to take us deeper and shared reflection, followed immediately by our **Gratitude Luncheon** — a meal set aside simply to thank every person who gives to support The Center of Peace. No matter how you give, or how much, we want you there. And we want to say thank you in person.

This has been a year full of rich blessings. We celebrated 25 years together as a community this year — twenty-five years of gathering, growing, and holding space for one another's becoming, and it has been a joy to mark that milestone with so many of you and Rickie Byars. Many in our community have walked through seasons of grief this year, and one of you shared afterward that *“the love and support they received from TCP was unbelievable”* — that is who we are to each other here, and it is sacred work. For our most seasoned congregants, these doors have remained open in ways that matter well beyond Sunday morning; one of you put it simply: *“I don't know what I would do without The Center.”* And more people than ever are finding their way to us for the first time, many of them through our online services and outreach, discovering this community from wherever they are.

None of this happens without your giving. This Fall, we're launching our 2027 Conscious Committed Giving Campaign around a theme close to our hearts: *“Go Deeper — Keep the Light On!”* It's an invitation — to reflect on what abundance and prosperity mean to each of us personally, to consider how giving connects us to each other and to this community, and to go deeper in our own commitment to living the Principles of SOM, whatever that looks like for you. **Our pledge goal for 2027 is \$225,000** — an amount that keeps our lights on, our doors open, and our care for one another growing.

Looking toward 2027, our goals remain rooted in who we are: to continue to be a safe and sacred space in the city of Philadelphia, committed to supporting all people in their discovery of the Divinity within; and to provide ongoing support and training for the leaders of our Care Circles, so that the love so many of you experienced this year can keep reaching further, into more lives, more often.

Whatever your giving looks like today — a pledge you keep for the year, an occasional gift, or your very first — we hope you'll join us, and reflect with us on what abundance means in your own life. Together, we go deeper, and we keep the light on.

Graciously,



Rev. Twana Malone