

## **Easter Greetings!**

Did you see those beautiful, White Hyacinths by our front door at Unity Church? And, with the warming air and sunshine, my Sweet Donna Peach Trees are beginning to open their first blossoms. These are all SIGNS that Spring IS coming; it really is! I am SO Grateful!

However, the recent “news” information about World Health has challenged my thinking to remain in a hopeful, positive place. The differing opinions and drama that flow from places of “fact”, fear and ego do not always feel Loving or focused with Ease and Grace.



The Prophets of 2020 are presenting frightening visions of our future. We see evidence of lack of goods and supplies; disease and potential death for many; social and economic changes; a New Normal for Living is evolving. Just as in Biblical days, we are hearing again...”If you don’t change your ways, this is what will happen to you.”

Sheltered in my home with my four furies, I see myself Centering, not isolating. I am consciously choosing to move into that safe place within my being and my space, where I experience the Light, Peace, Love and Wisdom of Spirit present with me and as me, in this moment. My concerns and anxieties slow down and dissipate. I feel a calmness move into my heart and mind as I think about the present and the future. I Breathe Easily.

I have been guided to reread portions of Gregg Braden’s book, “The Isaiah Effect”, that brings a new perspective about Prophecies and Predictions, asking the question, “*Will you change it?*” From any point in time, there are many possible outcomes for the events we see happening now. Some outcomes may present difficulties and losses; others may result in the Thriving of our lives and our Planet. The thoughts and beliefs on which we choose to focus our energies determine How We Experience our present and our future.

Are we willing to believe that God intends even these current events for our good?  
Jeremiah 29:11 (NASB) “For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, ‘plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.’”

Unity author, Emilie Cady, tells us that “We are not only seeking God, but God is seeking us.” I believe this is an aspect of God’s Grace, that Great Love for us. Grace, is present always, constantly moving us in our lives, nudging us toward our highest good. This movement presents guidance and events that ultimately lead us to a greater, deeper level of awareness; to our spiritual awakening into Higher Consciousness. It is not for some select few, it is the “Father’s good pleasure” for all.

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Luke 12:32 The Message (MSG)29-32 “What I’m trying to do here is get you to relax, not be so preoccupied with *getting* so you can respond to God’s *giving*. People who don’t know God and the way he works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how he works. Steep yourself in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. You’ll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Don’t be afraid of missing out. You’re my dearest friends! The Father wants to give you the very kingdom itself.”

The Message (MSG)  
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Grace and Easter are about our relationship with God. It is God’s invitation of love and support from God’s side of the relationship. All we have to do is choose to accept.

## Blessings of Easter and 2020 for You!

Reverend Donna Little

### Presidents Corner

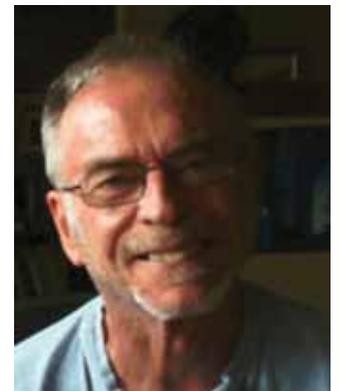
During this exciting time of pandemic the ‘corner’ is maybe an apt place to find myself. About 6 feet away from everybody. Though we still have some challenging days ahead, I can already see us on the other side of our present environment, in a place where we are back in our sanctuary and holding hands in another closing circle. It’s heartwarming.

Our **Annual Meeting** was scheduled for **April 29<sup>th</sup>** but has been postponed, tentatively to **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, in respect of our social distancing objectives. Even that date is still in some question, as our governor may still extend the mandate for no live-group meetings. Even if this happens we will still be connected virtually: by **phone, Facebook, CD/DVD, mail** and through **Spirit**. The further apart our physical bodies live the nearer our spiritual bodies become. Membership meeting letters will go out as soon as we have a realistic date.

Please consider joining our trustees in building forward movement for Unity in the Olympics. Your insight and vision are fundamental to our spiritual organization.

“After our daily labors, let us gather in conversation about love and heart.  
We beg you to guard health.” *Infinity I*, 183.

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# Finance Report

During the March 15th board meeting Tim presented the financial reports for February as well as the revised financials and balance sheets for January. The February Profit and Loss statement reflects a net income of \$4,104.25 prior to adjustment due to an error in coding of a designated fund deposit. The actual net income for February 2020 was -\$895.75.

Our average attendance for the month was 20 and the average tithe was \$39.00. (OUR financial vision is 38/38. On the average we miss the mark by approximately 18 people and/or \$630.00 WEEKLY)

Tithe allocation was \$346 out of which we allocated \$57 to Silent Unity, \$58 to Unity NW Region and \$58 to UWM. We also donated \$87 to T.A.F.Y. and \$86 to First Step. Board transfers into designated fund categories were discussed. Tim pointed out that with the current national health situation, attendance and tithe flow patterns will change. With our current trending pattern over the past year in attendance and tithe income at this time financials are projecting a shortfall of \$1,500 - \$1,800 over the next 3 months. . . prior to the onset of the recent Coronavirus outbreak.

In order to maintain a smooth flow of financial processes, all on-line funds will now be transferred into our account on a weekly basis. Congregants to be encouraged to tithe on-line during this period at [www.unityinthelympics.org](http://www.unityinthelympics.org) **"Donate"** and click on

February 2020 Income		February 2020 Expenses	
Tithes/Offerings	\$8,458.00	Advertising & Promotion	\$77.50
Rental Income	\$290.00	Consulting	\$250.00
Book/Lit Sales	\$3.00	Copy Machine	\$125.05
Classes & Workshops	\$2.00	Guest Speakers	\$600.00
Fundraising (other)	\$0.00	Insurance Expense	\$432.98
Special Events	\$0.00	Interest Expense	\$4.06
Misc. Income	\$20.65	Internet & Phone	\$82.02
Misc. (interest)	\$0.88	Outside Services: Lawn	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$8,774.53</b>	Music	\$125.00
<b>Tithes</b>		Payroll Expenses	\$1,769.69
<b>(January paid in February)</b>		Repairs and Maintenance	\$23.91
Silent Unity	\$71.00	Supplies: Kitchen/Building	\$60.59
Unity Northwest	\$71.00	Supplies: Office	\$67.50
Unity Worldwide	\$71.00	Misc.: Pay Pal Fee	\$6.04
Rose House	\$0.00	Books and Literature	\$56.75
Hospice of Clallam Co.	\$152.00	Property Tax: Waste Water	\$3.26
Sequim Food Bank	\$60.00	Tithe Expense	\$425.00
TAFY	\$0.00	Utilities	\$510.93
First Step	\$0.00	Website	\$50.00
PA Food Bank	\$0.00	Fund Transfer: designated	\$5,000.00
Serenity House	\$0.00	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$9,670.28</b>
<b>TOTAL TITHES</b>	<b>\$425.00</b>	<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$895.75</b>

# 30 Days to Fearless Living

## Rise Above Fear and Worry



**30 Days to Fearless Living** features poems, meditations, and spiritual practices from beloved Unity authors Eric Butterworth, Martha Smock, James Dillet Freeman, and more. Get your FREE Copy at <https://www.unity.org/publications/resource-materials/30-days-fearless-living>

## Prayer Chaplain's Corner

### *How May We Pray with You, Today?*

Our Unity in the Olympics Prayer Team, including Chaplains, are ready, willing and able to continue supporting your prayer needs during this time. We hold in absolute certainty the knowing that all in our Spiritual Community are Whole and Healthy, Trusting in the Love and Power of God to Care for ourselves and to Share our Light, Love and Peace with others.

#### Reach us:

By Phone: 360.457.3981

By Email: [uito@olympen.com](mailto:uito@olympen.com)

By US Mail: Unity in the Olympics  
2917 E Myrtle St  
Port Angeles, WA 98362



**To request a Chaplain Call:** Please include "Chaplain Call" in your message

- Leave your name and contact number.
- A Chaplain will respond to your request for contact and share a time of Listening and Prayer for your specific need in this moment.

**To add a name or situation to our Prayer List:** Please include "Prayer List" in your message

- Leave the name of the person or situation, and the *desired outcome* of your prayer.
- This request will be added to the UitO Prayer List and forwarded to our Prayer Team.

### We Are Grateful For:

Thanks to our Board Members, Staff and Volunteers who are creatively keeping us connected during this time.

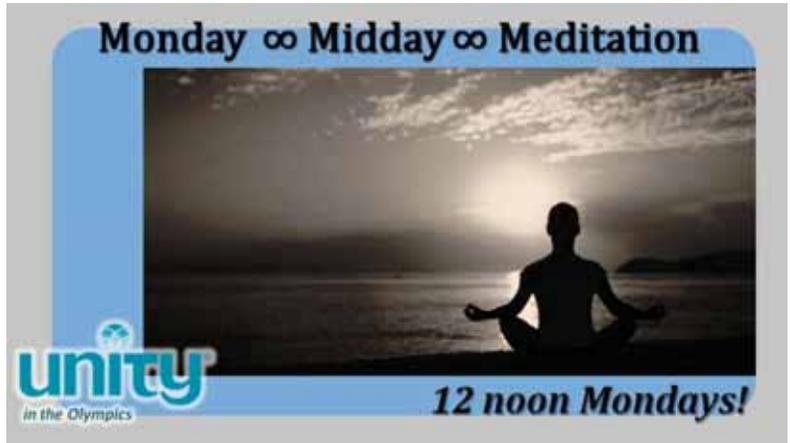
Thanks to all our Members and Friends for updating your contact information.

Thanks to all for letting us know how we can support YOU during these days.

We Love You and Pray for your Well Being and Health.

Due to the Covid-19 virus and safe social distancing standards in place **ALL Services** will now be on **Facebook**.

Our **Sunday Message** and **Meditation** will be available on **YouTube**.



**Monday Meditation** will be live on **Facebook**.

The link to the Unity in the Olympics Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/unityofportangeles/>



The UitO YouTube Account is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNP-ZvkDFjrUI83uTMZsOzw>

	<p>Unity in the Olympics Port Angeles WA  <a href="http://www.youtube.com">www.youtube.com</a></p> <p><i>According to Facebook and YouTube, you do not have to have an account in order to access their services.</i></p> <p>Those requesting an audio file, CD or DVD of the service please contact us at <a href="mailto:UitO@olympen.com">UitO@olympen.com</a> or by mail at 2917 E. Myrtle Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362.</p>
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## April Happy Birthdays!

5th Steve Schach

9th Lisa Schlaffman

7th Sandra Blanchard

10th Megan Grover

8th John Wingfield

19th Annette Lindamood

# Memories of Easter Past

by Alice Alexander

From the very first Unity service in Port Angeles at the little house on 7<sup>th</sup> and Chase, there has always been an Easter observation. The first few years we had lots of children and teachers. When we moved to 206 E. Front, the old Salvation Army Building, we continued to have lots of kids. We didn't have much of a yard there, so the Easter egg hunts were upstairs in the old building. When we moved to our present location on Myrtle Street there was lots of room for egg hunts.



**Easter Prior to New Sanctuary**

Along with the egg hunts, we had pancake breakfasts for a year or so. When John Wingfield was our minister, we brought electric frying pans so we could serve lots of pancakes and eggs and sausages. We had a community room by that time so there was lots of room to eat and enjoy our Unity fellowship. Unity has always had lots of potlucks and wonderful food. We are fortunate to have many good cooks in our midst.



**1992 Choir**

From the beginning of our time on Myrtle Street, we had choirs for Easter and other holidays. Our sanctuary was the living room of the house we purchased and converted. The choir led by Eva Johnston was at the front of the church next to the minister, who was Don Jennings when we first moved there. The organ was also at the front and we had several organists after Laura Burton resigned.

The back yard was the site for Easter Egg hunts.

That area eventually became our community room. Our flower life board was around for many years and I am not sure when we first used it. Allie put flowers in it when she was a young teenager. We loved the bright yellow daffodils that graced our life board. As it is with life, changes occur and eventually our life board stopped being used and we moved on to different traditions.



**Allie Winters and Easter Life**

When we redid the front yard of our church, it became a grand place to hide eggs. Some years we only had a few kids but we tried to make sure that there were colored eggs for as many kids as there were.

We started the custom of people bringing Easter Lilies to grace the front of the church several years ago. We never lacked for the beautiful lilies as people were willing to share.

There have been years that we had special services for Easter Week conducted in the Unity belief system. One year we offered communion.

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Because of the many religious beliefs in our community, there are many ways we have celebrated the magic of Easter week. Each service was special to its followers. For several years, we took part in the Community Easter Sunrise Service held at Civic Field. A few of us shared our special music with duets and solos.

Each minister we have had throughout the years has added their own special twist to our services. Unity has been active for over 50 years, so many of you will have your own memories of our services.

Because of the coronavirus causing havoc in our community, we will not be having an Easter Service at our building. There will be a special 2020 Easter service for us to enjoy and participate in. Please join us on Facebook.

We are so grateful for all the years we have had special memories of Easter in our Unity Church. Keep our country and our world in your prayers, and make new memories to carry forward to next year.

**Pictures Courtesy of Alice Alexander**

## **Easter**

**Loads of happy pictures  
Of colored eggs and such  
Flowers, bunnies and some chicks  
With his tomb untouched  
You have clearly risen  
Memories have begun  
Christ rising up within us  
Like the shining sun  
So fall down to the earth again  
And rise up – oh so tall  
Shed all your pain/discomfort  
Extend Love to one and all!  
Again and Again!**

**Taken from: Changes again, again, & again by Pat Coughlin Mawson**



## Vision Statement

*"We are Spirit Expressing as Lives Transforming for Good!"*

### Sunday Celebration Schedule

April 5th: Rev. Donna Little  
*"The Message of Passover."*

April 12th: Tim West  
*"Out of the Dark and Into the Light."*

April 19th: Rev. Asha Burson-Johnson  
*"This Place is Sacred."*

April 24th: Rev. Bill Evans  
*"A Post Easter Response."*

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Rev. Donna Little

#### LICENSED UNITY TEACHER

Margaret Denstad



### SUNDAY SERVICES

Meditation 10:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Building Closed. All Services moved to "On-Line" format.**



#### PLEASE NOTE:

Our office hours are **Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** by phone only.  
**The building will remain closed to the public until further notice** except for essential personnel.  
You may reach **Unity in the Olympics** at **360-457-3981** or [uito@olympen.com](mailto:uito@olympen.com) or **Tim** at **940-442-8381**.

Please visit our **Facebook** page at, <https://www.facebook.com/unityofportangeles/>, and check your email for announcements and information pertaining to our services.

We continue to thrive during these changing times because of you. Tithing support is greatly appreciated!  
Please mail your tithe to **Unity in the Olympics, 2917 E. Myrtle Street, Port Angeles, WA 98382** or visit us online at [www.unityintheolympics.org](http://www.unityintheolympics.org) and click on **"Donate"**

### MISSION STATEMENT

**WE WELCOME ALL**

**To the Spirit Awakening within  
Through the Wisdom of Love, Peace and Joy.**

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