

Lake Superior Interfaith Community Church

Spring Newsletter 2022

Hello, dear friends! We are so happy to greet you as spring hovers on the horizon. We want to let you know about changes, activities, and the return of getting together as a community.

At our meeting this past Sunday, the church's board of trustees officially rescinded the mask mandate which had been in place. It feels great to see everyone's face again, and our connections are more personal and heartfelt.

We will be offering coffee and treats after the service each Sunday, to make it even more appealing for folks to stay, visit, and get reacquainted. And on the third Sunday of each month- our old potluck day- the board will provide a light meal, to which you are welcome to contribute.

Speaking of which, the third Sunday in April will be Easter Sunday. We are declaring that to officially be our first Potluck Sunday in over two years! While we realize that some folks will be spending the holiday with family, our church family will gather and break bread together. Bring a dish to share if you like, but join us in any case.

Rev. Jasmine Phoenix will be the speaker on April 17th.

Ready to put on your gardening gloves?

It's almost time to start planning for the care and upkeep of our grounds and gardens. There will be many opportunities this coming spring, summer and fall to help with these tasks, especially watering and weeding. Denise Jackson will be drawing up a chart so that people can sign up to help. Good time to visit with other helpers, too!

Our church organ is looking for a new home.

The board also reached the decision to let our Baldwin organ go to a new home. After determining that there is virtually no market value for the instrument, it was decided to let the organ go to a new home without a fee (although a donation would certainly be welcome).

So if you or someone you know would be interested in removing the organ, please let board president Carol Kari or any board member know, and we'll arrange for a visit. One plus when it comes to removal is that the organ is on ground level- no stairs required.

And on another topic: If you would like to suggest a speaker, workshop, film, or other topic or activity for our church, please let Carol Kari or another board member know.

If it's spring, there must be a RUMMAGE SALE on the way!

Yes, we expect to be able to have a rummage sale fundraiser for the church this spring. While a date hasn't been determined yet, it will most likely be in late May or early June. And we're going to take this opportunity to remind you of some information we want you to have as you gather your donations.

Please do NOT donate anything broken, stained, or incomplete. No shoes, and preferably no winter clothing. Save books, DVDs, and CDs for our fall sale.

And NO technology of any kind, including computers/laptops/tablets/printers/phones/chargers, TVs, etc. No large furniture.

Please DO donate the following: Jewelry, art of all kinds, dishes, linens, kitchen items, small appliances, antiques and collectibles, candles, yard and garden items and clothing. If you have a question about a donation, see Jasmine at church or email her at: phoen003@d.umn.edu

Of course, we'll need volunteers to make this sale a success, and that's another great community-building opportunity. We'll contact you for your availability as the sale gets closer. Thanks in advance for your time and goods!

Moving towards unity/Unity.

As we move together into our new spiritual identity, we wanted to remind you of the Unity principles, which are similar in tone to the Spiritualist principles many of us know. Here are the five Unity principles, in abbreviated form.

God is the source and creator of all.

We are spiritual beings, created in God's image, and therefore inherently good.

We create our life experiences with our thinking.

There is power in affirmative prayer.

Knowledge of these principles is not sufficient; we must live them.

To learn more about these principles, see [The Five Principles](#) by Ellen Debenport, or [The Power Within You](#) by Eric Butterworth.

You can also check out unity.org, and Unity speakers on Youtube.

Please remember that the last Sunday of each month is dedicated to learning more about Unity. We have been viewing speakers on video, but hope to start having in-person speakers from the Twin Cities as the weather (and driving) improve.

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Sunday services at 10:30, coffee or lunch following

And one more thing- please remember to donate.
Your offerings are greatly appreciated, and necessary for us to, as they say, keep the doors open and the lights on. But these funds also allow us to bring speakers and keep our communal spiritual life alive and well. So if you're joining us via Zoom, please remember to put a check in the mail. Thanks so much!

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Upcoming Speakers

April 10 Rev. Phyllis McCoy
April 17 Rev. Jasmine Phoenix
April 24 Unity Service

May 1 Gary Boelhower
May 8 To be determined
May 15 Lisa Cerri
May 22 To be determined
May 29 Unity Service

Happy Spring!