

UNITY OF INNER PEACE NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY, 2016

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

Feb. 7

Speaker, Doug Russell, Executive Director of [Room At The Inn](#).

Doug says that, "Room At The Inn is an interfaith coalition of churches that has come together to serve a community need...to provide emergency shelter for adults who have nowhere to sleep at night. Our hundreds of volunteers accept this challenge as part of their personal ministry to the poor. They support their church as they support our mission."

Feb. 14

Speaker, Helen Haskell Remien, owner of The Joy Center.

"You Are the Valentine: Loving Your Soulful Handcrafted Life."

Feb. 21

Annual Membership Meeting

YOU ARE Unity of Inner Peace. This is your opportunity to express what YOU like about the operation of our study group, and what YOU would like to see added or changed in the future. We will also vote on additional Board members at this time.

*****POTLUCK SUNDAY*****

Feb. 28

CD and Discussion

[Resurrecting Jesus: Embodying the Spirit of a Revolutionary Mystic](#) by Adyashanti. Session 2. – The Jesus of the Gospels

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

As noted above, Feb. 21st is OUR annual membership meeting. Throughout the years since Ruth Singer, our founding minister retired, we have, according to Unity by-laws, been a study group rather than a church. We have no paid leadership. The members thus took up the flag, so to speak, and have operated under the concept that all participating have an equal voice in the running of this group, that it does indeed operate in a circular, rather than a hierarchical manner. That also puts the responsibility for success on each of us. So, we invite your presence at the meeting, not to get talked into something you don't want to do, but to make certain that your fresh ideas are open to consideration, this whether you have been attending for years or weeks. We are so fortunate to have this "home" for people who see all of life as spiritual, and for those who see their spirituality as evolving and progressive. As a post script, should you be interested in Board membership, please contact a current Board member for more information.

You know those "save the date" cards being sent out by couples who will be married sometime within the next year? They eventually send out actual invitations, but in the meantime they want to be certain that with all of the busyness in our lives, their big date will take priority over the other things that will inevitably come up. Well here is our "save the date" announcement to you. On Saturday, Sept 10th of this year, retired Episcopal Bishop John Shelby Spong, known worldwide as an outspoken Christian progressive, will be returning to Marquette for a day of lectures and Q&A sessions. Two years ago Unity of Inner Peace, St Paul's Episcopal Church and NMU created a combined sponsorship to bring him here. The afternoon session was at Reynold's Recital Hall at NMU, and the evening session at St. Paul's. Both sessions, free and open to all, were filled to

capacity, and the response was one of overwhelming gratitude and awe. Well, he's coming again, most likely for the last time, so I encourage you to get out your red marker and "save the date."

TITHES:

Unity of Inner Peace tithes on all donations. Recipients are chosen by The Board, quarterly. The 4th quarter 2015 tithe was divided equally between Unity Worldwide and The Salvation Army of Marquette.

BIRTHDAYS: We together celebrate the contributions to our lives of the following people: (If we have missed your special day, please contact Judy to be added to the birthday list.)

Tony Kahnke - Feb 2
Jake Pettit - Feb. 10
Cindy Brown - Feb. 12
Colleen O'Hara - Feb 13
Steve Schmunk - Feb. 16
Judy McGowan - February 29, Leap Year!

PRAYER SUPPORT:

There are those among us who would appreciate prayers of affirmation, confirmation that The Highest Good is playing out in their lives. With this in mind, we mention the names of Carol Birnbaum, Jim Clumpner, Bob Lamb, Helen Haskell Remien, Rev. Ruth Singer and Dorit Stilling. We send our love and support.

If you feel a need for more prayer support for yourself or another, we encourage you to contact Silent Unity. Their sole reason for existence is to offer prayers for all who contact them any hour of the day or night, any day of the year. This uplifting service is free and confidential. Call 1-800-NOW-PRAY or [1-800-669-7729](tel:1-800-669-7729), or write to Silent Unity, 1901 NW Blue Parkway, Unity Village, MO. 64065.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Our meetings/services are held at The Marquette Federation of Women's Clubs building at 104 W. Ridge St., Marquette, MI 49855. We begin at 10:00 AM Eastern time. Please check our website at unityofinnerpeace.org or our Facebook page for further information.

Board members are as follows: Judy McGowan, President; Steve Schmunk, Vice President and Website guru; David McGowan, Treasurer; and Ann Russ, Secretary and Facebook page creator. Members at large are Militza Georgevich English, Bob Lamb, Richard Leinonen and Bill Waters.

"Our vision is a healed world."