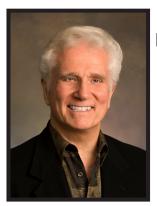


# **CELEBRATION**

**Sunday, September 27** 

# **Anniversary Program**



Rev. LeRoy E. Zemke

Rev. LeRoy Zemke

"Witness to Revelation"

11:00 AM Service



Rev. Karmene M. Lusis

# Temple of the Living God of St. Petersburg



Rev. LeRoy Zemke

# Short Selected Historical Highlights

**Sept. 25, 1960...** Temple of the Living God, Universal Spiritualist Church was founded by Rev. Laurine J.C. Stroud, Rev. Raymond Noegel and Rev. Lamar Keene. Rev.'s Noegel and Keene had existing churches in Tampa and Bradenton, but sought to expand their ministry to include St. Petersburg and environs.

**Sept. 25, 1960**... First service was held Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. at former Masonic Temple, 2201 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North St. Petersburg, FL to a full house – perhaps 125 – 150 people. Clairvoyant messages were given to many attendees. Huge reception followed. (Many years later the building was sold to St. Petersburg International Folk Society).

**Classes, dinners, and all social events** were held at the private home of Rev. Stroud who lived in Pasadena section of St. Petersburg.

The early Esp Fiesta, renamed Psychic Fairs and now Psychic Fair Showcase was established in 1960 at Rev. Stroud's home. These biannual events are community consciousness and educationally oriented events: additionally they help to raise funds for Temple outreach.

April 1, 1961 ... Rev.'s Noegel and Keene resigned as pastors.

**April, 1961** ... Rev. LeRoy E. Zemke was invited to be Assistant Minister with charter, co-pastor Rev. Stroud.

**1964** ... The Temple's services were relocated to the Selama Grotto on Arlington Avenue North (another Masonic Building.) Reason for move ... the Masons in charge of the original location decided to limit renting to non-Masonic groups. The Selama Grotto was larger and offered storage space for the specific church related materials, hymn books, utensils, sacred artifacts, for the fledgling church. Plants, flowers, etc. were brought to each service from Rev. Stroud's home and garden.

**1966** ... Purchased the current location, 1950 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North in spring. Once the former home of St. Petersburg Little Theater. At time of purchase (1966) building was an art/photography studio. Moved into facility in spring, 1966. A parking lot existed on west side of building (long before the 20<sup>th</sup> Street North connector to 275 was created). Had five huge old oak trees.

**1966 "Book Nook"** created in lobby area with help of a Temple member who owned her personal bookstore located in Tampa and brought books each week to services, packed and unpacked each week until staff was found to oversee and manage. Small gifts were added.

**1966** ... **M. Douglas Wilson** moved to Florida. He was ordained in 1980. Became active as bulletin editor and coordinator until retirement. Then volunteered until the end of December 2007. Was Assistant Pastor from Oct. 4, 1982 to October 2, 1993. Was a Board member from Oct. 6, 1969 to Oct. 4, 1982. Held many offices; executive coordinator, trustee on Executive Board of Directors. 10 years as Vice President. He retired in 1993.

**1971** ...**Rev. Stroud retired** at 82 years of age. Rev. Zemke became full pastor (1971).

**1975** ....**Major renovation**, remodeling from front to back. Classrooms in back were created along with kitchen, offices, library and sound booth. Platform was redesigned. Sunburst cedar shakes image was created and installed by Stephen Farrelly, son of the late Rev. Frances Farrelly. She was an active member of the Temple for many years! Wooded tresses style ceilings were closed, airconditioning was installed, carpeting placed throughout!

**Rev. Betty W. Pressly, Vice President** October 4, 1992 to Sept. 29, 2002, Assistant Pastor October 1, 1995 to April 1, 2002.

**Rev. Annette Mason** Assistant Pastor (2003 – 2014)

Rev. Jesse Garnee Assistant Pastor (January 2015 - April 1, 2015)

**Rev. Karmene Lusis** Assistant Pastor (January 2017 - Current) Member of Initial Ministry Team (September 2015) Interned as Assistant Pastor (September 2016 - December 2016)

#### Philosophy

Temple of the Living God was founded as a Spiritualist Church. Founding ministers were all involved in study and practice of spiritualist philosophy. Rev. Stroud, however had broad interest in all forms of religions - Christian, Buddhism, Taoist, Hinduism. She had a huge library (several thousand books). Rev. Stroud mentored Rev. Zemke. He was raised Lutheran and has studied Pages of Shustah Inc., Theosophy, Esoteric psychology, Rosicrucianism, Unity, Science of Mind, Metaphysical and Mental Healing, Jungian depth psychology, and all major world religions.

Our Mission is to assist people in their spiritual awakening and to support them through education, healing, love and service.

# What makes the Temple of the Living God unique?

We are Spiritual...Our purpose is to serve our community by providing opportunities for people of all faiths to join together in a spiritually supportive atmosphere.

**Diverse** ...While our roots are in Christianity, we honor and explore the basic truth teachings held in common with all world-faith traditions.

**Inclusive** ... We embrace diversity and welcome people of all ages, races, social backgrounds, sexual orientations and religions.

**Practical** ...We offer tools for everyday living and study a wide range of spiritual and metaphysical concepts and teachers.

**Affirmative** ...We strive to see the Divine and, therefore, the highest good in all people and things, and to help people find their path to a more abundant life.

We believe that there is an ineffable Presence, an eternal, infinite and omnipresent power many call God:
That this Presence, called God, is expressed in, through and as the life-giving force in the universe.

That life as we know it in human incarnation, embodies a spark of our Divine Nature.

That no person is ever lost, judged or condemned, as each is a child of God. This remembering of our divine heritage is unconditional and available to everyone and all major world religions.

# Why Is Church Important In One's Spiritual Life?

- 1. **Churches** by definition offer a safe, serene and dedicated sacred space to experience a deeper connection to the Creator, Originator or Source of All Life in an atmosphere offering inner/outer peace, comfort and care for the individual.
- 2. **Individuals of like mind,** belief and oft times commonly held traditions can gather to share an intentional community without fear of reprisal. This strengthens our moral/ethical character.
- 3. **Persons can discover religious** and/or spiritual viewpoints that are offered to inform, clarify (and amplify) singular spiritual teachings, thus aiding in developing a personal faith that can support them through our life journey.
- 4. A church is a community of people who agree to learn, explore, study spiritual truths and thus associate with each other in a supportive environment to further that learning and deepen their experience of the sacred however it may be defined.
- 5. Many churches offer support systems, including ours, such as classes on specific teachings, practices such as counseling, chaplains, prayer, meditation and a variety of healing approaches to the individual that can provide emotional comfort, care and compassion for those seeking such.
- 6. **A church can** be a place of respite, a space where we find a measure of release from the ordinary and allow a place for the extraordinary to unfold in our lives. A place of inspiration.
- 7. Within any truly dedicated sacred space there is a vital connection to allow a hallowed consideration of life's mysteries, opening the door, always to consider the Great Mystery!

#### **ALTERNATIVE HEALING**

THE TEMPLE OF THE LIVING GOD'S HEALING
MINISTRY AFFIRMS GOD AS THE TRUE
SOURCE OF OUR STRENGTH, GUIDANCE
AND HEALING. WITHIN A SPIRITUAL
FRAMEWORK WE OFFER ASSISTANCE,
PRAYER, AND SUPPORT THROUGH A
VARIETY OF HEALING APPROACHES.

#### SPIRITUAL HEALING

CONGREGATIONAL DIVINE HEALING DURING EVERY SERVICE

#### **PRAYER & HEALING MINISTRY**

Upon receipt of a request for healing the individual's name will be placed in our healing prayer chest and prayed for during Sunday Service.

The same request is given to the Healing Team to be prayed for throughout the month.



ARE YOU
INWARDLY
WILLING &
READY TO
EXPERIENCE
HEALING IN
ALL AREAS
OF YOUR
LIFE?

#### DO YOU NEED A LISTENING EAR?

A Chaplain or Minister is available to support you on your spiritual journey.

Someone who will hold sacred space with you.

Someone who will listen and hold what is said in strictest confidence.

Someone who will pray with you.

Someone who is there when you are in need.

Each Sunday this service is available to all.

## Sunday Services September Theme Remembering Our Truth

September 6 Rev. LeRoy Zemke "What is Spiritual Truth?"

September 13 Gonzalo Lever "Not My Way, The Way"

September 20 Lonnie Joseph Nichols "Spiritual Liberation - Stay the Course"

September 27 60th Anniversary Rev. LeRoy Zemke "Witness to Revelation"

#### October Theme Treat Yourself to Life

October 4 Rev. LeRoy Zemke "Living Into Our Deep Wisdom"

October 11 Rev. Mary Moore "Life is a Treat"

October 18 Rev. Karmene Lusis "Enjoying Our Moments"

October 25 Lynne Forrest "Living Your Joy"

# From the desk of Andrew Guilfoil



Children's Church
Youth Enlightenment
Program
(Y.E.P.)
Sunday Service
11:00 am

September 2020 "Remembering Our Truth"
October 2020 "Treat Yourself to Life"

Youth Enlightenment Program Children's Church (Program Re-start)

We are happy to announce that the Temple's Children's Church will reconvene on Sunday, September 6, 2020, with the following safety procedures and recommended guidelines in place, to protect and safeguard every child.

- •As each child enters the back classroom we will check their temperature. This gives us the security to know that each child is well before entering and adds an added safety to the others.
- •We will set up playful, individual areas that give each child a 6ft safe distance.
- •Each child will have their own individual packet which will include their craft materials, crayons, pencils paper. etc. So that no one is sharing items, these will be kept in zip lock bags

marked with their individual names, so they are easily used from week to week.

- We will only provide sealed individual juices for snacks.
- Space will be sanitized both prior to the Sunday service and after the finish of the service.

We look forward to see the children's program return as we know how difficult it has been for everyone, but we also know how important it is to have a spiritual place that offers support and love.

Andrew Guilfoil, Love and Light



# **On-Going**

# **Monthly at the Temple**

Earthbound Rescue Circle

7:00 - 8:30 pm 3rd Tuesday

Burlington House

**Intuitive Development** 

7:00 - 9:00 pm 3rd Thursday

Lobby

Discussion Group

12:00 - 1:15 pm 2nd Sunday Will resume September 13

Temple Classroom

Metaphysical Forum

12:00 - 1:30 pm 3rd Sunday Temple Classroom

# **Weekly at the Temple**

A Course in Miracles

7:00 - 9:00 pm Mondays Temple Lobby

7:00 - 8:30 pm Wednesdays Temple Lobby

7:30 - 9:00 pm Thursdays Burlington House

The Way of Mastery

1:00 - 3:00 pm Mondays

Burlington House

Kadampa Buddhist Meditation

Gathering

7:00 - 8:00 pm Wednesdays TBA - Suspended until

Further Notice **Burlington House** 

Book Club

5:00 - 6:00 pm Wednesdays on Google Meet Call Temple for more information



# MIRACLES BOOKSTORE



# **September Events**

# MONTHLY PSYCHIC FAIR \$15 for 15 minutes

SATURDAY, SEPT. 12 Noon to 4 PM



READERS:

MIKE COUPER ~ Tarot, Clairvoyant

CAROL WICKER ~ Psychometry, Energy Reader, Clairvoyant

JANET REYNOLDS ~ Clairvoyant

TONING ~ Part I, Healing Benefits of Toning
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 1:00 – 3:00 PM COST: \$15

#### Presented by Robin Hill

The strongest healing power of any musical instrument is our own voice. **Toning is the making of elongated sound with our voices.** You don't have to be a great singer, or even a good one. You just have to be able to make a noise.

Toning can help your body and your energy resonate at a healthy vibration, bringing the body "back into tune."

Join us as we explore and experience the many healing benefits of toning.



**\*D**ETAILS FOR ALL EVENTS AT <u>WWW.TLGTEMPLE.ORG</u> **\*** 

CONTACT MIRACLES METAPHYSICAL BOOKSTORE AT # 727-822-315

# **Book Club**

# with Doug Elliott



Wednesdays on Google Meet 5:00 – 6:00 PM

# **Love Offering**

This Book Club embraces interesting literature with a spiritual edge. We will read a chosen book together with insightful and reflective discussion throughout. Once completed, we will begin with another book selection, chosen by the group.

All who appreciate contemplative, introspective literature are welcome. Join us as we share profound thoughts and insights by writings of various authors. We look forward to seeing you there.

Doug Elliott received a Bachelor's Degree in psychology with minors in philosophy and history from Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan. Entering the financial field in 1980, he ultimately founded Greystoke Consulting, Inc. in 1994, a registered investment advisory firm. Several years ago, he sold his business and now works part-time as a Certified Financial Planner. Doug has been interested in metaphysics and philosophy his entire life.

Please call the Temple at (727) 822-8628 for more information.

# Tampa Bay Course in Miracles (ACIM) Retreat

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 5, 2020

9:30 to 3:30 p.m. (8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Registration)

Pre-Registration suggested. Lunch included!

**WHERE:** Temple of the Living God (TLG)

1950 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North

St. Petersburg, FL 33713

(727) 822-8628

This is a one-day experiential retreat where you will find practical solutions.

There will be several knowledgeable guest speakers to help you enjoy the inner Peace of God.

**COST:** \$30.00 entire day (Recommended love offering – includes lunch & materials.) Following CDC guidelines.

#### INVITE A FRIEND!

Enjoy our guest speakers:

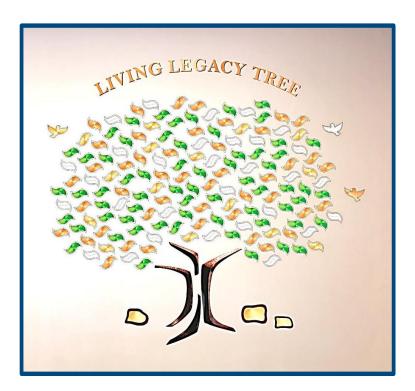
(Paul Cardillo, J.C., Gonzalo Lever, Teak Senior) in the morning, then break for lunch, followed by engaging group conversation in the afternoon.

#### **MIRACLES WILL HAPPEN!**

Questions? / R.S.V.P. Please call or email:

Gonzalo Lever @ 813-732-4669 gonzalolever@hotmail.com Rev. Karmene Lusis @ 727-822-8628 tlgnowministry@gmail.com

# **ANNOUNCING!!!**



# IT'S HERE!

The **Living Legacy Tree(LLT)** is a way to provide a tribute/memorial by members and friends of the Temple. It is a tangible way for those who would like to support the vision, future growth and expansion of the ministry.

A complete brochure is now available in the lobby.



The Executive Board of Trustees of the Temple acknowledges with profound gratitude the following people who served unstintingly on the Living Legacy Tree team. The many meetings, days and hours it took them is inestimable as this project has come into its final form:

Rev. LeRoy E. Zemke Douglas Wm. Elliott, CFP® Bonnie Riggens, Attorney Rev. Liz Dale Rev. Karmene M. Lusis

The Temple would like to acknowledge with deep gratitude the following team members responsible for the installation of our Living Legacy Tree:

Rev. Marvín Shepherd Randy Zurman Ben Fleece

# **Earthbound Rescue Circle**

with Lynette Millus

Tuesday September 15 Tuesday October 20 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**Love Offering Burlington House** 

Sometimes when a soul leaves the physical body, the soul is confused. The soul is not clear about where to go and what to do after he/she has left the physical plane of life. The purpose of Earthbound Rescue is to liberate the soul. The intention of the group is to release the soul into the Light so the soul can advance and progress on its evolutionary journey in life. If you would like to join in this group, please join us for an evening of service.



### METAPHYSICAL FORUM with Rev. Karmene Lusis 12:00 – 1:30 PM

On Sunday, Sept 20 & Oct 18, join us here at the Temple for an early afternoon of insightful, inspiring conversation as we explore new and not so new ideas that will reveal powerful truths to live by.

Whether you are new to metaphysics or have walked this enlightened journey for a while,
ALL are welcome to experience these afternoon gatherings!
Come and awaken your mind, stir your thinking and move to new levels of understanding.

JOIN US AND BE INSPIRED !!!

Love Offering

# **Tarot Card Class**

with Dena Lebowitz



Tuesdays, September 15 – October 6 (4 weeks) 7:00 – 8:30 PM \$15 per Class

In the Tarot class, we will use the universally known Waite Rider tarot deck of cards created by Sir Arthur Edward Waite to learn the meaning of the cards. The major arcana, consisting of twenty-two cards, is the story of the individuals soul's journey. We will study the minor arcana also, which consists of four suits of fourteen cards each. These will be interpreted by using numerology and esoteric symbols. The students will learn the meanings of all seventy-eight cards and by the end of the class will know various spreads and layouts for interpretation.

Dena Lebowitz had her own business tax and accounting business for over twenty years. Dena just recently retired.

Dena has been a practitioner of tarot for nearly fifty years. She has been a reader at the Temple for both the psychic fairs and the bookstore events. She taught a very popular intuitive development class at the Temple for about five years. She is a Reiki Master and a drummer. Dena currently is currently exploring sound healing.



# **60th Anniversary Celebration Sunday September 27**



Rev. LeRoy Zemke 1960 - Present

11 a.m. Service Witness to Revelation Rev. LeRoy Zemke

# **Featuring**



Rev. Betty Pressly 1995 - 2002



Rev. Annette Mason 2003 - 2014



Rev. Karmene Lusis 2017 - Present

Music Selections by Temple Musicians

# Across the years ...

The value of every individual life is beyond compare. We often celebrate exceptional talent and creativity in resolving conflict, loss and even one of life's most mystical experience, that of death itself. The profound dimensions of our beingness, young, adult or at life's end is a truly heroic journey. Every voice has a message. Each heart beats with the rhythm of life's grandeur.

Listen to our own soul's song. In a community of people who tend to commingle, individuality can disappear or "blend in". We must carefully attend to work in hearing and responding to each soul ... and to everyone who is led to us. Each soul's song is part of life's Cosmic Symphony. Together we create the musical masterpiece called living.

A church is not a building. It is a conscious community of people who are led by the Spirit to come together to build a community when we might access the many mansions of our soul.

When we are committed, we achieve greatness in leadership, and we inspire the sharing of visions and community outreach. It takes willingness to rise above egoic plans and social issues alone. As this happens, a genuine spiritual/sacred community emerges ... flourishes and prospers!

# An Autumn Invitation Re-center with Self-Care

Journal: Writing down your thoughts and experiences helps you process and unload in times of stress. Keep it digital with journaling apps like Day One, Momento (iOS only) or Five Minute Journal.

**Daily Self Check-ins:** Take a few moments each morning to assess how you're doing that day. Notice any feelings of anxiety or anger about the day before or the day ahead. Be honest about those emotions throughout your day - this will make for more pleasant interactions with those around you.

Take a Personal Day: Even if you've been working remote, take a day to go offline. Spend it doing an activity with your family, or taking a walk outside. Whatever you do, make sure it leaves you feeling recharged and re-energized.

**Sleep:** This is one of the most neglected self-care activities! Start a bedtime routine that calms you down. So you're ready to sleep as soon as your head hits the pillow. Aim for at least 7 - 9 hours per night, according to the National Sleep Foundation.

**Practice gratitude:** Express words, an affirmation or an act of thankfulness toward yourself, a family member, friend or another. When we see the result of being thankful, we feel an uplift and a deeper sense of connection to life.



# **MIRACLES BOOKSTORE**

# **October Events**





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

# **PSYCHIC FAIR SHOWCASE!**

10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

CALL TEMPLE FOR INFORMATION: 727-822-8628

TONING, PART 2 ~ TONING WITH INTENTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 1 – 3 PM Cost: \$15

Instructor: Robin Hill

Our own voices are one of our most powerful healing tools.

When your intention is set for healing, your voice is powerful in delivering that healing energy with great effectiveness.

Learn to use chakra tones to open, balance and align your chakras, with the power of your own voice. Using your voice to sound the chakra tones can help to restore balance and flow to the chakra system.



Join us as we explore and experience the healing benefits of toning to balance the chakras and shift the energies within our bodies.



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**Saturday, October 10 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM** 

**10 PSYCHICS** 

Doors open 9:00 AM

Readings begin at 10:30 AM

Appointments Available
On A Walk-In Basis

Readings
\$15 each or 3 for \$40
(Same client,
different readers)

# **Intuitive Development**

"Psychometry"

With Dena Lebowitz

Thursday. Sept. 17 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**Love Offering** 

This class will be an experiential class. Please bring a piece of jewelry (yours or a loved one's), a picture, or other treasured object to class. Dena will guide the participants to receive information from inanimate objects regarding a person or event in your life.

Please join us.



# "Spirit Guides"

With Dena Lebowitz

Thursday. October 15 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

# **Love Offering**

This will be an experiential class. Dena will guide all participants through recognizing their spirit guides and attuning to them. The class will address what the spirit guides offer to the individual so the participants can more effectively call upon their guides in their daily life for guidance and protection.

# Join us!

# Temple of the Living God Founded September 25, 1960

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#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are available to members of the Temple and to others who regularly attend Sunday Services or classes.

Call the Temple at: (727) 822-8628 for information on Scholarships at least 2 weeks before the proposed class begins.

Additional Parking Anytime on Temple's
Burlington House Avenue N. Property
Directly North
of Church's Parking Lot



When our parking facilities are full-Parking available in the Eye Clinic Parking lot on 1st. Ave. N. Just behind the Temple (20th St. N. And 1st Ave N.)

Please choose the above parking before parking on 2nd Ave N. Since street parking is public, we also want to respect those who live next to us!

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