

September-October 2025 Bulletin

*Enter an unfolding environment of
Sunday Services, Classes, Programs, and Weekday Events*



Temple of the Living God of St. Petersburg

An Interfaith Metaphysical Community Church

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Reflections

Thoughts For Transformation

The Late Rev. LeRoy E. Zemke

The Joy of Living

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

1 Chronicles 29: 11 - 13
King James Bible

One of the highest places you can get to is to be independent of the good opinion of other people.

Choose to be in close proximity to people who are empowering, who see the greatness in you, who feel connected to God, and who live a life that gives evidence that Spirit has found a celebration through them.

Wayne Dyer
Everyday Wisdom for Success

Inspiration *n.*: From the late Latin: *inspiratio*, from Latin. *inspiratus pp. inspirare* to blow into or upon, to breathe into; *in*, on and, to breathe.

1. originally, (a) to breathe or blow upon or into; (b) to infuse (life, etc. into) by breathing.
2. to have an animating effect upon; to influence, stimulate or impel; especially, to stimulate or impel to some creative or effective effort.
3. to cause, guide, communicate or motivate by divine influence; as, God *inspired* the Scriptures.
4. to arouse or produce (a thought or feeling); as, kindness *inspires* love.

Websters Unabridged (2nd) Edition,
New 20th Century Dictionary

In a world that is filled with detailed news of incredible accounts of war, "rogue" countries attempting to annihilate their own unwanted citizens, to constant media reports of scandal, widespread dishonesty and murder in countries, cities, families and recently, even in churches, it could appear that there is little in our human world that one can look to for some kind of personal or even more universal inspiration.

The great teachers of the Inner Way say the real/genuine experience of inspiration, personal or even more universal, is something we must seek. It exists around us everywhere, in nature, in the lives of our loved ones, indeed even in our life if we are willing to look and/or to be open or receptive to it. The major difficulty in finding inspiration I suspect, emerges when we get news or information from others or from the very broad world community that's interpreted in a very limited way or presented in a negative manner. We can do little about what we hear from the outer world. Yet we can choose to view the information we receive from more than one viewpoint. Obviously, it's an internal decision, indeed.

The one major area of our human nature that we have control over is our thought. We look at our life and the lives of those we know and care about from inside ourselves. Current brain research talks about the multitudinous variety of ways we interpret every kind of information to ourselves. Whether we realize it or not we choose to see it in a personal or specific way. When we add cultural filters, family viewpoints, religious persuasions, racial constructs, let alone what scientists would tell us or have us believe to be specifically true, each arena/area offers profound colorations of our views of our own life.

The great spiritual teachers such as Jesus Christ, the Buddha and others, say we are in charge of our thoughts! Since I, also, believe we are, we can choose how to look at the various circumstances of our life through our choice of words, our internal view or understanding of a situation without blinders or restrictions. However, it takes constant practice and more practice to see beyond any one appearance, viewpoint or belief.

Let's consider an example:

Job loss. What is the "good news" here? Meaningful, focused and intentional, hopefully rewarding work is absolutely necessary in our lives. It supports us, our families and helps us to realize desired goals. A job loss can interrupt our financial flow and obviously can create many serious hardships in every area of our lives.

How then can we find inspiration? How do we uncover something that lifts us beyond our sense of misfortune and difficulty? Where do we or how can we find hope for what is or appears to be a significant loss?

1. **Seek the comfort and caring of people**, family, friends, acquaintances or professional people. Thoughtful talking with positive and professional people releases fears and helps us to know we are not alone. It gives clear perspective and tends to reveal that we have positive options, even when we feel differently (negative, fearful).

2. **Give thanks for what we do have** ... an apartment, a car, a home, a spouse, friend or loved ones who can be there for us. Gratitude allows us to see what we already have in our life and thus what is readily available. It enables us to look at all the good, the pluses already in our life. When we look at the famous example of a half empty glass, *we choose to see it as half full or half empty*. It's an extremely important perception.

3. **Focus on the positive**; a probable job offering, or a new opportunity. *We have learned that what we focus upon expands*. So to find inspiration let us look for the possible solutions, positive outcomes for our searches for gainful employment. Even if we do not find immediate work, a favorable attitude is certainly easier to live with, for ourselves as well as family and those who know us. A significant point is this: We need to stay open to life's pulse. When we do, we truly remain in the flow of opportunity. If we stay negative, we internally close off and the various doors of life's opportunities remain closed.

On a larger, more expanded scale, we may not be able to stop war or poverty even though we join community outreach and social reform groups that promise action in government and in the society. If we look about us, in our own society there are thousands of worthy charities and dedicated men/women and children focusing on, inspiring, maybe even noble outreaches. If this group effort inspires us to action in a useful and really viable manner, then I suggest to those who feel called to serve such groups, churches, or social and community efforts to commit to do so. It's a most valuable insight, I suspect, that can help us overcome the hurt, anger and sense of loss that a job change or removal can cause.

With inspiration we allow ourselves to be open to life, or spirit in spite of all contrary appearances. We must learn to see that all men, women and children are connected. If we look deeply, we can see the handiwork of God in even the most difficult of circumstances. But it requires us to look or look again to see miracles, ever possible miracles

beyond tragedy, trauma or even death.

Living an inspired life is an internal intention. It is very hard *to the core work* to face criticism, personal and/or verbal attack from professional people, family or friends. When we see suffering in a community devastated by natural disasters, floods, earthquakes, heat waves or the ravages of disease that cannot be stopped, it requires a very deep courage, indeed, to find something in the experience that is within it to enable us to see a larger good or Divine purpose. Yet we know that communities rebuild after incredible destruction such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes or even a terrifying prospect of death from an infection from disease such as the dreaded Ebola virus. When we find strength to focus on what we can do and not on what we can't, we discover the deeper meaning of inspiration.

Many, many years ago, a dear friend lay dying from an inoperable brain cancer. Her words inspired me then and still do to this day. "I do not know why I have brain cancer but I want my two children and my husband and friends to remember me for my love for them and how I have shown it, rather than how I died." She passed away now 40 years ago. And her words have been an inspiration to me across the years as I have stood with, held prayer vigils and supported hundreds of people who wanted to be remembered for courage, living for a meaningful purpose in a church or their personal community of choice until their last breath.

The challenge of tapping into inspiration is that it requires of each of us to look beyond appearances, beyond the surface. Hardships, even serious or severe hardships, do not define us. They shape us to be revealed as the man or woman we are from the inside out, a child of the Living God.



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

ENERGETIC HEALING BEFORE SERVICE,

10:35 - 10:50 AM

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: Finding Our Way Home

September 7
Rev. Karmene Lusi
"Journey to the Heart"

September 14
Rev. Madeline Diemer
"Bridges to Spirit"

September 21
Rev. Mary Moore
"Home Sweet Home"

September 28
Anniversary Panel
Speaker Panel: Rev. Lynne
Forrest, Rev. Marvin Shepherd,
Rev. Gloria Standish
"Finding Our Way Home"

October Theme: Gathering the Harvest

October 5
Rev. Karmene Lusi
**"Storehouse of Spiritual
Abundance"**

October 12
Revs. Frank Drexler and David
Panunzio
"Ways to Harvest Joy"

October 19
Jay Hunter Lee
"Do It Anyway"

October 26
Rev. Annette Mason
"Enough Already"

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Temple invites your
participation to make all of our
classes more rewarding and fulfilling.



**Please sign up early for the
class or classes you want.**

Sign up sheets are in the church
lobby, or call the church secretary
"Carol" and she will assist you.
(727) 822-8628

This makes it easier for the teacher
to plan for supplies and materials.

Students may pay per week for
weekly classes or in full. Some
classes require entire payment up
front with registration, depending on
the class itself. Scholarships may
be available and must be requested
along with paperwork at least one
(1) week prior to class.

Suggestions? Do you have an idea
for a class you would like to see
offered.

Call Rev. Karmene at
(727) 822-8628



ATTENTION!!!

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

is scheduled for

Saturday, September 6, 2025
10:00 - 1:00 PM

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

will take place

Sunday, September 7, 2025
11AM Service

**We welcome you to explore
becoming a part of our
Temple Family.**

We invite you to sign-up in the lobby.

Welcome to the Temple's Monthly Psychic Fair!



Saturday, September 13
12:00 ~ 4:00PM

Readers:

Lynne Alexander ~Clairsentient

Daniel Harris ~Tarot, Intuitive

Marvin Shepherd ~Intuitive, Oriental Tarot

Readings:

15 Minutes for \$20

Call ahead or walk in to schedule appointment.

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Grounding & Spiritual Protection – Part 2

with
Melissa Lynn



Sundays

September 7 – 28 (4 weeks)

6:30 – 8:00 PM

\$100 or \$25/week

Pre-Registration required.

Join us for this 4-week, Part 2, *Grounding and Spiritual Protection* Workshop, which builds on the initial practices and advanced techniques learned in the first workshop, while creating stable, energetic boundaries and maintaining spiritual balance.

Students must have previously studied under Melissa Lynn and completed the previous *Grounding and Spiritual Protection* Workshop at TLG. Please sign up in the lobby or call the Temple to pre-register.

Melissa Lynn is a gifted Intuitive Medical Medium, Visionary and Teacher, with the ability to communicate with interdimensional spirit and guides of all levels in the Spirit Realm. Melissa has an extensive varied background which includes vast experience in corporate, teaching, medical and business, as well as, instruction in private and public workshops on the topics of Intuition and Psychic Development, Angels, Mindful practices, Energy Protection and other various Divine modalities.

TLG 65th Anniversary Gala Event

Musical Extravaganza

A Night of Singers, Standards and Classics

Dress to be Seen! Red Carpet Event!

Friday, September 19

7:00 – 9:00 PM

\$35 V.I.P. + Concert

\$25 Concert only

V.I.P. 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Enjoy Pre-Concert Hors D'oeuvres

"Food by Chef"

Ticket Pre-Sales begin August 31

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Creative Expressions



with Rev. Karmene Lusi



Saturday

Sept. 20 & Oct. 18

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Love Offering

**As we welcome our artistic gifts, join us
in our creative art class, as we embrace
the unique and inspired talents we each have.**

**Do you need personal time away to focus on
your creative inspirations and visions?**

**Are you looking for a place to be
motivated and encouraged?**

**Then join us at the Temple
and bring your brilliant artistic ideas & tools
to work on and have fun with.**

**Celebrate your divine talents and
amaze yourself!**

Healing of the Self Workshop

with

Rev. Madeline Ann Diemer

Saturday

September 20

1:00 – 4:00 PM

\$30 in advance

\$35 at the door



**Join us as Rev. Madeline invites you to participate
in an adventure with the subconscious mind,
as you learn from re-enactments, and, obtain
information from the language of the body.**

**As a result, you will experience peace
of mind, increased awareness, gain
useful knowledge and have fun!**

**Rev. Madeline Ann Diemer received her MA from USF. She is
a retired former Professor of Everest University, Tampa, FL. She
is the retired Lead Minister of the Spiritual Center in Largo, FL.,
has authored 3 books, is a Speaker, Teacher of Metaphysical
studies and Healer. Rev. Diemer has held classes and events at
the Conservatory (Lake House) in Odessa, FL for 20 years now.**

METAPHYSICAL FORUM

with Rev. Karmene Lusis

Sunday

Sept. 21 & Oct. 19

12:30 – 2:00 PM

(Love Offering)

TLG Classroom

Join us for an afternoon of insightful,
inspiring conversation as we explore new
and not so new ideas that reveal
powerful truths to live by.

Whether you are new to metaphysics
or have walked this enlightened journey
for a while, ALL are welcome.

JOIN US AND BE AMAZED !!!



TAROT SOCIAL

with

Daniel J. Harris

Wednesdays

Sept. 24 & Oct. 29

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Love Offering

**Open to Daniel's previous
Tarot students.**

(Pre-Registration required)



If you have studied with Daniel at TLG,
you are invited to join the monthly Tarot Social,
where we will share our knowledge of the
Tarot deck, providing inspiration,
guidance, joy and laughter.



**Please sign up in Lobby or call the Temple
to pre-register.**

Visit us at: www.tlgtemple.org

Temple Grounds Clean Up!

Saturday, September 27
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

We invite you to join us in
beautifying our Temple property.
Bring a rake, clippers, etc.

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Refreshments will be served.



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WELCOMES YOU
AS WE CELEBRATE OUR
65th ANNIVERSARY
Sunday, September 28

11:00 AM SERVICE
Rev. Karmene Lulis
and
Rev. Lynne Forrest
Rev. Marvin Shepherd
Rev. Gloria Standish
(as Guest Panel Speakers)

12:15 PM
POTLUCK
LUNCHEON

Join us in our
Anniversary
Celebration

Sept. 25, 1960 ~ Sept. 25, 2025

BEGINNER'S TAROT

with

Daniel J. Harris



Wednesdays

October 1, 8, 15, 22

6:30 – 8:00 PM

\$20 / Class

(Pre-Registration required)

You are invited to join this four week beginner's class, exploring the exciting world of Tarot and its revelatory philosophy. We will be using The Rider Tarot Deck.



Class is limited to 12 students.

Please sign up in Lobby or call the Temple to pre-register.

TOASTMASTERS

"Area 10" Speech Contest



SATURDAY

October 4

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

(Doors open at 8:00 AM)

Come and see the best Speakers in the St. Pete area compete at the Temple of the Living God.

PSYCHIC FAIR SHOWCASE

Saturday, Oct. 11

13 Readers

Doors Open at 9:30 A.M.

Readings

10:30 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M.

Pre-Sales Begin Sept. 4 - Oct. 8

Call 727-822-8628 to pre-book your readings

READINGS

\$20 each - 3 for \$50

Same person, different reader

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Inter Faith Week



OPENING CEREMONY

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Sunday, October 19, 2025

4:00 PM



Practical Application of Universal Law

with
Lynne Forrest



Sunday
October 26
12:45–2:00 PM
Love Offering

Join us this afternoon for an uplifting, informative, inspiring discussion group on the Practical Application of Universal Law in your life. Lynne's work is devoted to helping people find and clear the painful beliefs and ideas that have caused them distress through a process of accessing the Observer Self. **We look forward to having you join us.**

Lynne Forrest is an Author and Reality Guide & Personal Growth Mentor. As a perpetual student of life and consciousness, Lynne has devoted her career to studying with masters of various disciplines. Family dynamics, Jungian principles; dreams and shadow work, psychodrama and energy as well as the laws of manifestation, body oriented practices such as yoga, physical unwinding and qigong are just some of the approaches Lynne applies in her work with others. She has been sharing her findings with others and watching their lives transform since the seventies.

October Message Circle



Sunday, October 26

6:00 – 7:30 PM

\$20

3 Circles, 3 Readers

Please arrive by 5:45 PM

Doors close promptly at 6:00 PM

Visit us at: www.tlgtemple.org

A Course in Miracles

Mondays 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Thursdays 10:00 – 11:30 AM

w/ Margie Limbach

Love Offering

(Burlington House)

Wednesdays 6:30 – 8:00 PM

w/ Paul Cardillo

Love Offering

(Lobby)

Law of Love – last Wednesday

Suggested Offering \$10

(Lobby)



TOASTMASTERS



TUESDAYS

6:30 – 8:30 PM

TLG Sanctuary

**Join us and make a positive
difference in your life!**

**Amaze yourself in the potential
of who you are!**

Visit our Temple website: www.tlgtemple.org

Kadampa Buddhist Meditation Classes

Come and join the Kadampa Meditation Classes to learn how to calm your mind and find more inner peace, happiness and compassion in your daily life.



WEDNESDAYS

6:30 – 8:00 PM

\$10

Students \$5

Burlington House

***Park in grass area of
Burlington House***

People from all walks of life attend our classes - young and old, religious and non-religious. All are welcome regardless of prior experience or spiritual affiliation.

Some want to learn how to meditate, some want to deepen their practice and others want to find out more about mindfulness and awakened living.

What to expect ~ a simple relaxation meditation to get started; then a brief explanation of a topic of the night which is of practical benefit to our daily life; then another guided meditation focusing on the meaning of the talk; followed by an informal discussion.

Breath Deep, Relax, Enjoy!

Meditative Yoga

with

David Jeffers



Fridays

4:30 – 5:30 PM

Love Offering

(Lobby)

If you have been searching for a place to be with like-minded people to practice Meditative Yoga, join us weekly at the Temple.

We will learn to meditate in gentle postures. No struggling, no pressing into pain, no holding the breath. Yoga is the opposite of struggle. As soon as struggling begins, yoga ends.

David Jeffers has taught over 5,000 yoga classes since 1999. David has practiced Transcendental Meditation™ since 1971. In 1971/1972, David spent 14 months traveling and video-recording Maharishi Mahesh Yogi.

Baby Shower for Valentina



Saturday

November 1

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

*We invite you to join in celebrating Justin
and Amanda's new addition to their family,
Valentina.*

*We are excited to honor the joy and love of
this child as the blessing she is.*



Congratulations from TLG !



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 Temple ministry. We invite you to pick up a complete brochure offering information for your individual participation.

The Leafaway Plan

In addition, we welcome you to consider using **The Leafaway Plan** to commemorate transitions, weddings, births or other special events and milestones on our Living Legacy Tree. This plan allows for you to participate individually or as part of a group, making your participation affordable and your tax-deductible contribution fit your budget.

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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 1 week before the proposed class begins.



**Additional Parking -
 is available off of
 20th St N & Burlington Ave
 at the Temple Burlington House**

**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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Miracles Metaphysical Bookstore

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 Hours: Before and after
 Sunday 11:00 a.m. service

For Private Consultation
 Rev. Karmene Lusis
 (727) 822-8628

**The church is available for weddings,
 christenings and memorial services**

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