

March 12, 2016: Chapel Readings



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SECOND ADVENT PROPHECY AND REVELATION

A Reading from the *Prophecy on the Golden Age of Light and the Nation of Nations*, Chapter 84: "On the Golden Age of Light and the Nation of Nations" (pp. 711-720).

ANCIENT SCRIPTURE AND WISDOM SAYINGS

A Reading from the Teachings of Confucius:

"The superior man accords himself with the Middle Way. Though he may be unknown, unregarded by the world, he feels no regret. It is only the sage who is able to do this. The way that the superior man pursues reaches wide and far, and yet is secret. Common men and women, however ignorant, may meddle with the knowledge of it; yet in its utmost reaches, there is that which even the sage does not know. Common men and women, however much below the ordinary standard of character, can put it into practice; yet in its utmost reaches, there is that which even the sage is not able to put into practice. The way of the superior man may be found, in its simple elements, in the society of common men and women; but in its utmost reaches, it shines brightly through Heaven and earth."

The Master said, "The path is not far from man. When men try to pursue a course that is far from the common indications of consciousness, this course cannot be considered The Path."

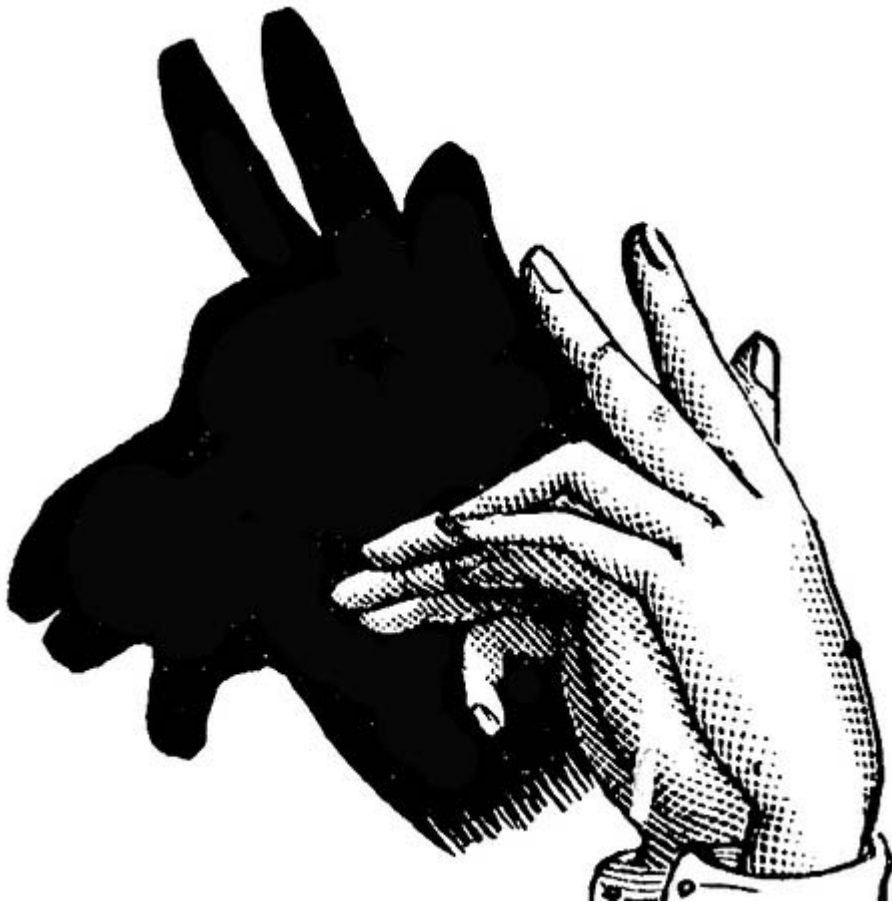
Therefore, the superior man governs men according to their nature, with what is proper to them, and as soon as they change what is wrong, he stops.

“When one cultivates to the utmost the principles of his nature, and exercises them on the principle of reciprocity, he is not far from the path. What you do not like when done to yourself, do not do to others.”



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A World of Shadows



The gold chalice and the wooden one cast identical shadows. Those people who see only shadows, and live their lives accordingly, will find it nearly impossible to recognize that one chalice is worth far more than the other. The shadow of smoke plumes from a forest fire look much like the shadow of a cloud bringing rain that can put out the fire. How can you tell which is which if you only see the shadows? If you can only see the shadow, how do you know that you are walking toward the rain and away from the fire? Shadows can be  deceptive in many ways. This photo of a Javanese shadow play shows shadows that are somewhat human, but they have been stylized according to the art of that country. If one saw this as reality rather than as a play, he might think he was seeing

strange alien creatures (are you listening channel H2?).

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AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

Can I change my charity?

Yes, you can change your charity any time. Your AmazonSmile purchases after the change count towards your newly selected charity. To change your charity, sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser and simply select "Change your Charity" in "Your Account."

What charities can I choose from?

You can choose from almost one million eligible 501(c)(3) public charitable organizations.

Amazon, the giant online retailer, has a program called *Amazon Smile* that allows customers to designate where Amazon will send charitable donations. (This program may not be available in all countries.)

If you are not familiar with this program, you can find out about it here:

<http://smile.amazon.com/gp/aw/ch/about>

Now you can designate **International Community of Christ** as the recipient of your donations.

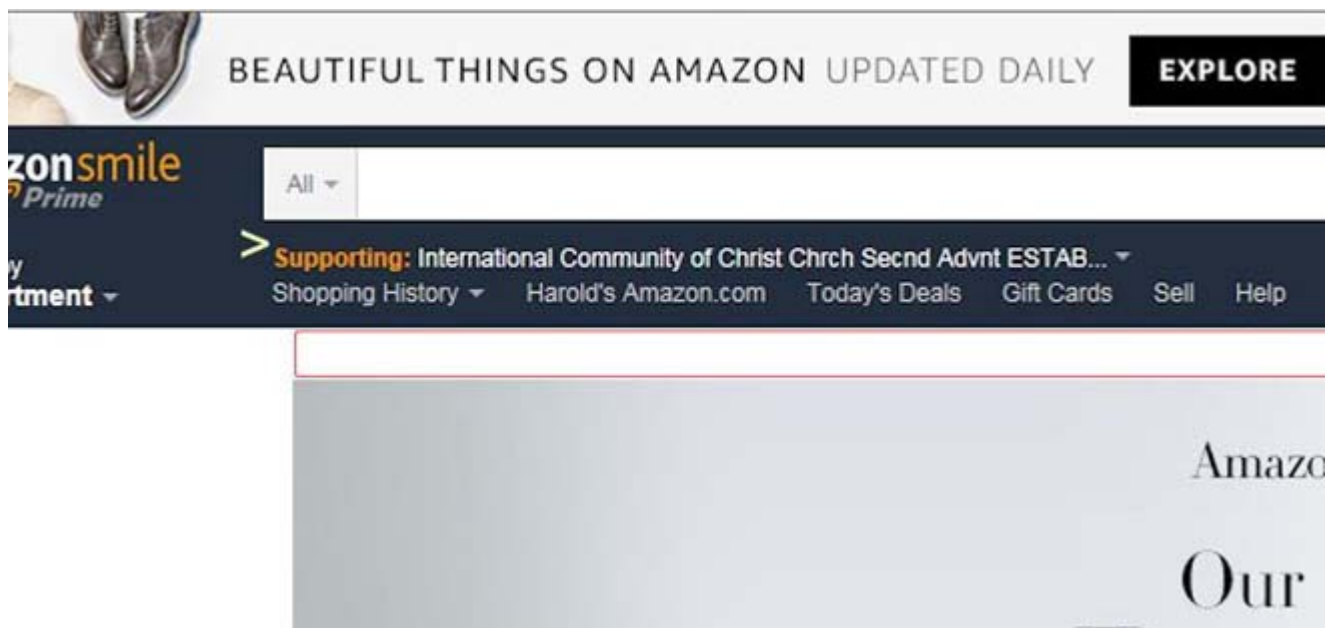
When you get to the list of charities to select from, enter “International Community of Christ” in the search window. This will return about twenty pages, unfortunately, and you will have to scroll down several pages (currently page 5) to find the right one, which looks like this:

The screenshot shows the Amazon Smile search results page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'Supporting: International Community of Christ Chrch Secnd Advnt ESTAB...', 'Shopping History', 'Harold's Amazon.com', 'Today's Deals', 'Gift Cards', 'Sell', and 'Help'. Below this, a search bar contains the text 'International Community of Christ' and a 'Search' button. The results are sorted by 'Relevance' and show 'Showing 101-125 of 564 Results'. A list of charities is displayed, each with a name, location, founding year, and a 'Select' button. The 'International Community of Christ Chrch Secnd Advnt ESTAB Rel of Cos' is highlighted with a red arrow. To the right, there's a 'Spotlight C' section featuring other charities like 'The Nature C', 'American Rei', 'The Leukemia Lymphoma S', 'ASPCA', and 'Pencils of Prc'.

Charity Name	Location	Founded	Select
Every Village International Relief	Houston TX	Founded 2000	Select
International Community of Christ Chrch Secnd Advnt ESTAB Rel of Cos	Reno NV		Select
Jubilee Centers International Primary/Elementary Schools	Grand Rapids MI	Founded 2009	Select
Christians for Biblical Equality Christian	Minneapolis MN	Founded 1987	Select
Holy Cross College Inc Undergraduate College (4-year)	Notre Dame IN		Select

If you already belong to *Amazon Smile*, you can change your charity by selecting the same way.

If you have selected correctly, you should see this when you log on to Amazon Smile:



Thanks for your support.

submitted by Harold Boulette

Services for the Week of March 12, 2016



Saturday, March 12, 2016

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Lector: RM Elizabeth Reece

Cantor: Rev. Greg Klinedinst

Reader: Rev. Mike Tamburello

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

Sunday, March 13, 2016

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

7:00 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:45

Sunrise: 7:21
RR Gene Savoy Jr.
Concelebrant: RR Sean Savoy
Assistants: RC Roger Weld
RC Robert Petrovich
Rev. Barbara Whitney
Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

<i>Church of the Americas</i>	Dr. Thomas Lee
<i>Church of the New Covenant</i>	Dea. Stephan Fuelling

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

12:00 N COMMUNION

Chapel of the Holy Child

RC Robert Petrovich

Friday, March 18, 2016

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

Rev. Barbara Whitney

Unified Consciousness – Linking the Levels



“We must be ‘oned with bliss’ if we are to be aware of it. That aspect of our being by which we may attain this communion—that ‘marrow of the Soul,’ as Ruysbroeck calls it—usually lies below the threshold of our consciousness; but in certain natures of abnormal richness and vitality, and under certain favorable conditions, it may be liberated by various devices, such as contemplation. Once it has emerged, however, it takes up, to help it in the work, aspects of conscious self. The surface must co-operate with the deeps, and at last merge with those deeps to produce that unification of consciousness upon high levels which alone can put a term to man’s unrest.” ~Evelyn Underhill

Becoming one with “bliss”, or more accurately, one with God, is indeed the way to truly expand consciousness to higher levels. It is also true that when our soul is awakened and our consciousness on that level starts to grow, the surface level of consciousness, or ego, is generally unaware of it and may

remain so for years. Nonetheless, that spiritual awareness, that Divine Consciousness, may be growing below that surface.

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**2016 Community Calendars are
in the mail**

2016 Community Calendar



As a special gift for this time of year, the Church has sent out to all active Community members the Community Calendar for 2016.

For practical purposes, the calendar follows the traditional monthly format beginning with January, but it contains all the significant dates of The Community's Sacred Calendar, which begins on February 2nd (refer to Jamil: Child of Light, chapter 27).

In addition to dates for liturgical observance or remembrance, the moon phases for the year are also included. In relation to these moon phases are indicated days to view sunrise or sunset according to the important Lunar/Solar Cycles Generative Technique familiar to Cosolargists who have advanced through The Cosolargy Papers.

Once again, thanks go to Deacon Dr. Stephan Fuelling for compiling and designing the calendar in consultation with the Publishing, Editing and Liturgical departments and with Bishop Gene. Thanks also go to the Reverend Ben Hubbard, who prints the calendar using our printing system at our production facilities located at the Steamboat Hot Springs.

A suggested donation of \$20.00 by active Community members would be greatly appreciated to help defray costs for producing the calendar. Corresponding members may contact the Church offices to request a calendar for the same suggested donation.

**You are invited to the Nevada
Prayer Breakfast**



A Nevada Tradition

The Nevada Clergy Association
requests your presence at the
2016 Interfaith

Nevada Prayer Breakfast *"United In Peace"*

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2016 Interfaith Nevada Prayer Breakfast "United In Peace."**

***Tuesday, April 12 ~ 7 to 9 AM
Grand Ballroom ~ 2nd Floor~ Atlantis Casino Resort Spa
Reno, Nevada***

*Welcome by Barbara Cegavske, Nevada Secretary of State
Keynote Address by Abdul Barghouti, Acting Imam, Northern
Nevada Muslim Community
Master of Ceremonies: Rev. Sean Savoy, Chancellor,
International Community of Christ
Featuring the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Choir*

The annual Vision Award will be presented to:

Northern Nevada International Center

*The Community Service Award will be given to:
the Honorable Gino Martini, Mayor of the City of Sparks,
and to the Honorable Bob Cashell, former Mayor of the City of
Reno*

*Special announcement will be given on:
NCA's partnership with Renown Health to create the
Interfaith Spiritual Center at Renown*

Please RSVP by April 6 (tickets also available at door)
(775) 786-1800 or at NevadaClergy.net

Please send checks to Nevada Clergy Association
643 Ralston St., Reno, NV 89503
MasterCard, Visa & Discover cards are accepted.

Individual Tickets: \$30 (\$35 at the door)
Patron Tables of 8: \$280; Non-profit: \$200
Patrons will be recognized in the printed program.
Donations to help defray the cost of the event are also
accepted.

[To reserve tickets online visit the Nevada Clergy web page.](#)

[For those who do not prefer making online payment,
download the PDF and fill out the attached form on the back.](#)

[Or download the PDF to help spread the word.](#)

The Nevada Prayer Breakfast is a gathering of citizens – including civic, business, and community leaders – to offer prayers on behalf of our State and to bring the spiritual resources of the community together to bear on Nevada's leaders. Although members of the community may believe differently in their approach to the Divine, we gather at the Nevada Prayer Breakfast equally and without discrimination. Together, we devote our energies to the good of the State of Nevada. Together, we pray.

The Nevada Clergy Association is a non-profit, interfaith network of religious and spiritual leaders in Nevada.

Services for the Week of March 5, 2016



Saturday, March 5, 2016

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Lector: RC Roger Weld

Cantor: Dea. Stephan Fuelling

Reader: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

Sunday, March 6, 2016

6:18 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 5:30

Gate: 6:00

Sunrise: 6:33

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrant: RR Sean Savoy

Assistants: RC Roger Weld

RC Ted Staver

Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Races of Man

RC Roger Weld

Church of the Golden Age of Light

Rev. Vickie Hewlett

Church of the Universal Theocracy

Rev. Karen Elliott

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

12:00 N COMMUNION
Chapel of the Holy Child
RC Roger Weld

Friday, March 11, 2016
9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP
Chapel of the Roses
RC Roger Weld

February 27, 2016: Chapel Readings



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A Reading from the *Prophecy of the New Covenant*, Chapter 90: "Testament of the New Covenant" (pp. 1002-1011).

ANCIENT SCRIPTURE AND WISDOM SAYINGS

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom of Solomon:

*God created man for incorruption,
and made him an image of his own everlastingness;
but death entered into the world by the envy of the devil,
and those who belong to him experience it.
But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,*

*and no torment will touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died.
Their departure was considered an affliction, and their
travel away from us ruin;
But hey are in peace.
For even if in the sight of men they are punished,
their hope is full of immortality.
Having borne a little chastening, they will receive great
good;
because God tested them, and found them worthy of himself.
He tested them like gold in the furnace,
and he accepted them as a whole burnt offering.
In the time of their visitation they will shine.
They will run back and forth like sparks among stubble.
They will judge nations and have dominion over peoples.
The Lord will reign over them forever.
The faithful will live with him in love,
because grace and mercy are with his chosen ones.*

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In the Presence of the Light



“It is lamentable, that since the fall of Adam, we should be so continually cheated and befooled by the Devil, to think that we are not the Children of God, nor of his essence. He continually puts the monstrous shape or form into our thoughts, as he did into our mother Eve, which she gazed too much upon, and by her representing it in her imagination, she became a child of this World, wholly naked and vain, and void of understanding: And so he does to us also still continually; he would bring us into another Image, as he did Eve, that we might be ashamed to appear in the Presence of

the Light and Power of God, as Adam and Eve were, when they hid themselves behind the trees.” ~Jacob Boehme

The first thing we need to get straight is the whole idea of Adam and Eve. Adam & Eve are an allegorical representation of the beginning of the human race in the material world, they are not intended to be literal, actual, persons. Next, we have to look at what their “sin” really was, and why they were kicked out of paradise because of it.

The sin of Adam and Eve was not in eating apples—which it never says they did in any version of the Bible that I have read. The bible does say they ate from the “tree of knowledge of good and evil.” That is not an apple tree. It is not a tree of any kind, at least not in the literal sense.

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