

Services for the Week of January 2, 2021



Saturday, January 2, 2021

7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:21

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

Service suspended due to Christmas-Epiphany Vigil

Sunday, January 3, 2021

7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Christian Churches Rev. Barbara Whitney

Church of the End Times Rev. Noriko Roy

Monday, January 4, 2021
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Tuesday, January 5, 2021
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

12:00 NOON COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

Service suspended due to Christmas-Epiphany Vigil

Friday, January 8, 2021

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

Rev. Amanda Buchanan

**WEEKLY MESSAGE: December 16,
2020**



CÔSOLARGY INTERNATIONAL
THE SACRED TEACHINGS OF LIGHT

HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



December 16, 2020

This portion of the commentary of the Seventeenth Saying of Jamil continues to treat on the state of health of our sun and moves into the realm of the cosmic battle between the Powers of Light and the Powers of Darkness.

The Seventeenth Saying (Part 6)

“And the Second Mariner posed a question: ‘Are the physical

manifestations of the disease in the sun related to solar flares and increased sunspot activity observed for a number of years by members of our own Order and by secular scientists?’

“And The Man thought deeply for a long while, then answered saying, ‘Astrophysicists have observed regular blemishes on the surface of the sun as a result of solar flares in eleven and twenty-two-year cycles. In recent years these cycles have become unstable. Observers of our own Order have been measuring these solar disruptions for more than twenty-two years*, noting that the disruptions are the result of deeper causes within the sun which can be related to the earth’s state of affairs: or perhaps the reverse is true. In any event, the sun and the earth are interrelated, and sunspots and solar flares reflect this interrelationship.’

“And again the Second Mariner spoke, ‘Is the deeper cause of solar activity perhaps related to the allegorical celestial war between the Sons of Light and the Sons of Darkness; that is, the battle between the fifth- and fourth-dimensional levels of being as suggested in the scrolls of the Dead Sea that appear to describe the ideas and beliefs of the Essenes of Israel?’

“And The Man answered the Mariner saying, ‘The nature of the sun, or its state of health, reflects conditions upon the earth and within the sun itself. The Essenes realized this and wrote of it. Often our adepts look at the sun seeking light and energy, love and peace, and oftentimes they receive the opposite, which indicates that the sun is ill at times. It is like looking at a healthy flower that gives beauty to the eye and a pleasant aroma to the nostrils. If the flower is dying, it appears ugly and gives off a putrid smell.

“‘The best way to answer your question is by saying that adepts of the sun have observed that the health of the sun is affected by the Darker celestial beings that control the movements of the earth, or at least affect it with negative

and disruptive thoughts which cause wars and social upheavals. Their influence upon the earth is enhanced by Man's loss of the sacred teachings and inability to resist the Darker influences. Even if an ordinary person, who is not trained properly in how to combat the adverse effects, were to look at the sun, as do members of our Order, the sun would continue to be brutalized by the Dark thoughts generated by Dark beings within the sun who influence its life, and therefore influence all other bodies within the solar system that depend upon this energy for light, heat, and thus life itself. It would seem from all that has been revealed to us, and by what has been written in the sacred scripture of holy orders of ancient times, that a cosmic war between the Powers of Light and Darkness actually takes place within the sun and upon the earth. Sunspot activity has been related to economic upheavals, social unrest, wars, revolutions, plagues, famines, floods, and drought. The planet and Man are regulated by cycles and by forces outside of his world, just as animals and all other living things respond to the environment as determined by conditions not of their making.

“‘If the adepts are not taught how to properly combat the Darker influences from the sun, they are not going to be able to overcome them in order to restore the sun to a state of health. Therefore, the existence of our School has a reason – to train adepts in the proper way to bring about favorable changes in the sun. We affect the sun through Christ Consciousness – not by mind, or emotion, or the psyche, nor by the rational, logical reasoning processes – only by developed spiritual Consciousness. As we know from our study of theology, Christ Consciousness governs energy and light.’”

Please pay special attention to the last paragraph. It is of the utmost importance. We will continue with these themes next week.

*Note the year this Saying was delivered was 1979.

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Gene

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Christmas-Epiphany Greetings



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**Christmas-Epiphany
Greetings
to you from the
Savoy Family
Gene Jr., Radheka,
Sonya, Sabrina,
Sophia, Bianka,
Helena & Baby Gene**



Services for the Week of December 26, 2020



Saturday, December 26, 2020
7:06 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE
Church of New Epiphany
Leave: 6:15
Gate: 6:50
Sunrise: 7:21
RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:
RC Robert Petrovich
RC Ted Staver
RC Peter Foust
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

10:00 AM COMMUNION
Chapel of The Holy Child
Service suspended due to Christmas-Epiphany Vigil

Sunday, December 27, 2020
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE
Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15
Gate: 6:50
Sunrise: 7:22
RR Gene Savoy Jr.
Concelebrants:
RC Robert Petrovich
RC Ted Staver
RC Peter Foust
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Christian Churches RC Amanda Buchanan
Church of the End Times Claudia Grady

Monday, December 28, 2020
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Tuesday, December 29, 2020

7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Wednesday, December 30, 2020

7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:
RC Robert Petrovich
RC Ted Staver
RC Peter Foust
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

12:00 NOON COMMUNION
Chapel of The Holy Child
RC Amanda Buchanan

Thursday, December 31, 2020
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE
Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15
Gate: 6:50
Sunrise: 7:22
RR Gene Savoy Jr.
Concelebrants:
RC Robert Petrovich
RC Ted Staver
RC Peter Foust
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Friday, January 1, 2021
7:07 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE
Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15
Gate: 6:50
Sunrise: 7:22

RR Gene Savoy Jr.
Concelebrants:
RC Robert Petrovich
RC Ted Staver
RC Peter Foust
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP
Chapel of the Roses
Service suspended due to Christmas-Epiphany Vigil

WEEKLY MESSAGE: December 10, 2020



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THE SACRED TEACHINGS OF LIGHT

HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



December 10, 2020

We continue with the lengthy review of the commentary on the Seventeenth Saying of Jamil with The Man continuing to discourse to his disciples at the ancient Kahuna healing temple on the island of Oahu on concepts of self-awareness.

The Seventeenth Saying (Part 5)

“Let us return to the idea of self-awareness, the self which we measure ourselves by. Man believes he is a person and an individual; he thinks, ‘Am I going to be immortal? Am I going to be happy? Am I going to be successful?’ That is only one portion of his being speaking or thinking. This is his ego speaking; that part created by his culture or civilization. The animal man cannot speak; that is, organs, glands, nerves, cells, blood, or brain. His organism remains mute. It is only a level or a degree of self-awareness that says ‘I.’ In fact, the individual does not even know all the various entities

that exist within him or her on the material, biological level, on the spiritual level, on the psychic level, on the emotional level, and on the mental level. There are hundreds of entities and intelligences within a person.

“‘So who is the ‘I,’ or what is the self? Man is nothing more than any other animal. He consumes specific kinds of food to prevent these kinds from becoming dominant in the ecosystem. He breathes oxygen, a process which in itself contributes to the functioning of the ecosystem. He defecates to fertilize the earth. He is actually being used to keep the planet alive. Man is like a microcosm keeping and sustaining this planet. In a manner of speaking, we are all valves of energy exchange.

“‘Again, what is the self? If you, the self that is talking to me now, were to be imprisoned in the frame of a bird, you would think like a bird. You would be automatically taken over by an instinct that would tell you how to hunt for a worm or for a cereal grain, how to find a mate, how to gather twigs to make a nest, when to mate, when to lay an egg, and how to take care of the young. It would not be you, it would be instinct. And what is instinct? It is a frequency to which you are attuned. If you see yourself as a radio receiver, you may see that you may be only attuned to a certain frequency, and that is all you can hear. If you were suddenly put into the body of a snake, the great ‘you’ would become that snake, and that is all you could become because that biological organism only allows you to think within the ability of that nervous system and brain.

“‘The sun, like other living things, is connected to other stellar systems and receives its energy from these systems. It is not self-generated. It is a carrier of intelligence and information. The sun is so vastly superior to terrestrial bodies that we cannot compare it to a person or animal. That means that the sun is a living creature which is more intelligent than we are. This is very difficult for Western minds trained in Western science to accept because Man, in his

arrogance, truly believes he is the most sophisticated creature alive. Our religions tell us we are sophisticated, not our sciences. Science belittles Man. It limits his life span, and sickens him as it is sickening the planet. And this is not to be critical of science, but only to point it out as a limited discipline. Religion tells us that we were made in the Image of God. We do not know what God looks like. He certainly does not look like our transitory material body. In reality, we have secular religions that tell us little about our spiritual nature, our true image. Only a revealed religion teaches us of our true spiritual nature and how to awaken it properly in order to transcend our material nature.

“Once we become spiritual beings, we are then made in the Image of God. When we begin to think and function on the level of spiritual Consciousness, we go beyond what the mind conceives, beyond what the physical senses perceive. Once we are projected into the sun and the stellar systems, we transcend the limitations of the material planet. We are then influenced by other intelligences, particularly by the intelligence of the sun itself as a living being, and by those other suns to which it is linked. To be sure, the sun is a valve for energy exchange, just as is Man on a much smaller scale. But the sun is not a mechanical object. Knowledge of our religious science is so far advanced, so far beyond that of our popular, secular religions and churches, that it is difficult for us to explain it.

“The Consciousness of a man like Jesus, the Consciousness of a Moses, the Consciousness developed by the great prophets of times past, was so vastly superior to that of theologians, scientists, economists, politicians, statesman and businessmen of the world today that they cannot be compared. The reason most of the great religious leaders never wrote about what they knew was that there was no way to put it into the written word. There was no way to tell people about it because it is beyond the reasoning powers of the mind to grasp its message

as conveyed by a written or spoken language. Once one develops Consciousness, one is transported beyond the range of the mind and senses. One becomes allied with the higher intelligences of the sun and beyond, and of those spiritual intelligences beyond everything material; in other words, we become allied with other dimensions and intelligences which are more akin to God. If we conceive ourselves to be only animals, only as material creatures, then we limit ourselves. We become no more important than a squirrel or an elephant or a dinosaur. We can perish the same as so many species did if we do not keep pace with the environment, or if the environment changes.

“‘Because this planet will go on living, it can go on living without Man. If it starts to die, Man can go, and other systems, perhaps plants and microorganisms can keep the planet alive on a more simple level. The planet itself has a purpose in the cosmos. If we think in terms of the planet as being a smaller living organism within the structure of a greater living organism, as a small electron spinning around the nucleus of the sun, the solar system itself being a small atom of a greater living organism, we can see ourselves as rather insignificant. To discover the purpose of the planet and of the material universe as a whole, we must enter into the realms of a greater intelligence and go beyond our material minds and bodies which pass away after a short life. The sun and its intelligence level are the means which can make this possible.’”

Again, if I may be of any personal service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours in Light+,

Gene





NOVEMBER 2020: Intercession & Memorial Services



NOVEMBER 2020

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David Maske and his Family
Kaylea Dowling
Dr. Eugene Ubawike

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David Maske and his Family
Kaylea Dowling
Dr. Eugene Ubawike
Suzie Riggins †
Richard Kuchenbacher Rev. Mother Carol Ann Crabb †

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William and Yesenia Larsen †

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Vivienne Marcsik
Anita & David Wyled

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Vivienne Marcsik
Anita & David Wyled

† indicates Memorial Prayer

Services for the Week of December 19, 2020



Saturday, December 19, 2020

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr

Lector: RC Robert Petrovich

Cantor: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Reader: Sabrina Savoy

Sunday, December 20, 2020

7:05 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:20

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Races of Man Rev. Greg Klinedinst

Church of the Americas Dea. Radheka Patel Savoy

Church of the New Covenant Dea. Gary Huss Jr

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

12:00 NOON COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RC Ted Staver

Friday, December 25, 2020
7:02 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE
Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:15

Gate: 6:50

Sunrise: 7:17

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

Service suspended due to Christmas-Epiphany Vigil

**WEEKLY MESSAGE: December 2,
2020**



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HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



December 2, 2020

“We have been told in the sacred scripture of our church that Man has two natures. Ancient scripture declares that Man has two spirits. One is influenced by Dark beings. The other spirit is related to the Light. Therefore, Man has a dual nature. One nature strives after intellect; this nature motivates secular science. It strives after knowledge of the material world. It uses knowledge for power and for control

over others, or for gain, and not necessarily for its own good or the good of the world or for the cosmos as a whole. It is this nature that is causing the illness of the sun. The spiritual nature strives after knowledge of God, and the desire to express a higher nature, to serve God and humankind, to make the world Good. This nature sustains the spiritual or Good side of the sun. So, when we speak of the sun becoming diseased, we see it is due to Man's Dark nature opening the gates of the fourth-dimensional creatures which can bring about the death of the sun.

“‘The great schools that bred adepts of the spirit and taught them how to reflect to the sun to keep it from becoming ill are gone. As a consequence, there is no earthly agency to combat the fourth-dimensional creatures. And there is no way for beings of Light to aid humankind, or to gain access to the material world, because the adepts are a vanishing race. Thus, our sun is dying, which will result in the death of the planet.’

“The Third Mariner asked of The Man saying, ‘When we speak of the sun as a living being, can we say that it possesses, as does Man, a self-awareness or self-consciousness? Or is the sun just a valve, a mechanical thing, that distributes energy in accordance with God's Will and laws of the interstellar system? Could we perceive the sun to be a living being, like Man as a human being, with self awareness or self-consciousness which distinguishes Man from the lower animals?’

“And The Man answered his Companion of the Way, saying ‘We think in terms of Man as being the highest creature on the planet, which is true. This is not because he is the strongest, the fastest, the most aggressive, or even the most beautiful. It is because he possesses intelligence. This intelligence is what sets Man apart from the animals. The secular scientist stresses Man as being intelligent, and sets him apart from the animals. Yet, our medical sciences often call Man simply an animal. This contradiction on the part of

secular science is the point that most spiritual adepts find strange.

“‘As an animal, Man is inferior to many animals. The elephant lives longer than Man, as a general rule. Parrots and turtles can live longer than Man. How does one measure who is the most important, the most sophisticated, or the best animal? By size, by speed, by strength, by long life? If a turtle lives to be one hundred and fifty years old and a man lives to be seventy, why is a man greater than an animal? He is not. It is his intelligence that sets him apart from the animals, not his animal body.’”

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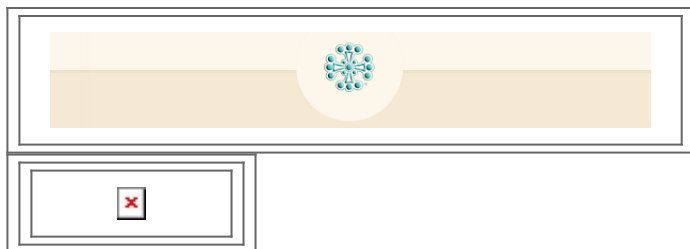
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Cosolargy Newsletter 2020

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COSOLARGY INTERNATIONAL
THE SACRED TEACHINGS OF LIGHT

COSOLARGY NEWSLETTER November 2020

Greetings!

Welcome to our monthly bulletin with information of interest to friends of Cosolargy International. In this issue we bring you up to date with current and future events and provide a little background on our founder, the late Gene Savoy Sr, and his explorations into solar cultures, along with some uplifting words of inspiration.

If you are curious about the solar techniques and activities of our Community, contact us by using the Contact Form on the [Cosolargy International website](https://www.cosolargy.org). It will be forwarded to the appropriate representative for your area.

In these trying times, if you would like to have a prayer said for you or others, click the Prayer Request button at the end of this newsletter.



The Origins of Cosolargy

From 1957 until 1971 Gene Savoy, in company with members of the school, conducted a grand exploration program of the Andes and the Amazonian jungles in Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, and Brazil. It was during this time that many ancient cities and temple sites were recovered from the mantle of growth that had covered them for centuries. These exploits were recorded in *Antisuyo—The Search for the Lost Cities of the Amazon* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1970); *Vilcabamba—The Lost Cities of the Incas* (London: Robert Hale, 1970); *On the Trail of the Feathered Serpent* (New York: Bobbs-Merrill, 1974), all authored by Gene Savoy. CBS News recorded his explorations in a one-hour documentary, and the major magazines and newspapers of the world reported the remarkable findings. Other manuscripts covering this period are

presently in press, having been withheld from publication. The published stories were restricted to the archeological, anthropological, and historical significance of the expeditions. No mention was ever made of the Community's inner work, because the reporters were never informed of it.

- Extracted from the book, *The Emerging New Christianity and the Secret Church at Work*,
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Rev. Mother Carol Ann Crabb Passes into the Light, Memorial Service Held



[Link to obituary in the Reno Gazette-Journal](#)

Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb (June 30, 1944 – October 24, 2020) passed away at the age of 76 at an assisted care facility in Reno, Nevada. The Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb passed into the Light on Saturday, October 24, 2020 in the late morning while the Community was in the middle of performing the memorial service for Reverend Canon Gary Buchanan. Reverend Canon Ted Staver performed an Anointing of the Sick for Carol on October 23rd, the day before she passed away. Rev. Staver performed the rite alone since only he had clearance to visit her at the care facility because of pandemic restrictions. An Anointing of the Remains of the deceased was performed by Bishop Gene Savoy Jr. on October 27th in the presence of the Sacred Overseer and special friends

A Memorial Service was held to celebrate her life on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Child. In attendance were members of the Reno Church Community. Family members were unable to travel due to the Covid-19 pandemic.



The eulogy, delivered by Rev. Canon Ted Staver, recounted her life in the Community and the events previous to the forty-five years she had spent in residence that had led her to the spiritual life and prepared her for it:

“Carol’s nature was to keep a daily journal at least up until two years ago. It was interesting going through some of her journals. At first I felt that I was invading her privacy. But then it dawned on me, as I kept reading, Carol was the type of person that got things done. Benjamin Franklin once wrote “well done is better than well said” and this quote reminds me of Carol. She was a person of few words, but her actions said it all. As I was going through her journal I came across a resume that she wrote before coming to Reno and I thought you might be interested in knowing some of the things she did before coming here, so I’d like to share that.

“She attended the State University of New York at Buffalo where she earned a B.A. in Philosophy with a minor in Anthropology. Then she went on to Syracuse University and earned her Masters Degree in Library Science. From there she went on to become the librarian at Jefferson Community College, where she advanced to assistant professor. I believe that during that time frame, possibly in her spare time, she became the Assistant Director of Religious Education at the ALL Souls Unitarian Church in Watertown, New York. Later she became the chairman of the Religious Education Committee teaching Sunday school at various age levels, also doing presentations to adults and children on decision-making and sermons to congregations. She was the coordinator of “Life Center,” a non-profit organization for teenagers through adults for personal growth. She was also involved in camp counseling. Carol authored and co-authored four publications in the field of library science. She mentioned that she was a member of the Kripalu Yoga Society (which is a Hatha Yoga practice) and she did mention to me that it was her yoga

teacher that suggested she check out this Church.

"I have a letter from Carol's journal where she is writing to friends describing her journey to Reno. So I'm going to let her tell the story. Here is an excerpt:

Dear family and friends,

Spring is here. Daytime is warm and the trees are delicate with new green. Forsythia has been blooming for weeks along with some pink blossoms and now the lilacs are out. Reno is pretty in the spring, there are many trees, shrubs, and even green grass (if the constant watering continues). The river and little lakes in the parks have ducks, geese, and even seagulls. This time of year makes me think of New York City. I've been there several times in early Spring and was delighted with the new life coming forth. We have had little snow the past two winters. For a long time I anticipated snow, to see a real winter, and I missed it. Then after reading about my hometown Buffalo and next to home town Watertown, I have gotten over my need for snow.

When I first arrived in Nevada, Labor Day of "75", I rented a little trailer in a modest park of less than twenty families. My home was accessible by the north interstate, then a secondary road, and finally a dirt road which appeared to go nowhere. From my front window I could see only sage brush, desert, and mountains. At night the sky was clear with stars hanging down close to me and the coyotes would sing. Mornings I would walk in the desert before the sunrise; such stillness I have never known.

It doesn't rain or get cloudy very often. The air is clear and dry and light at this altitude. The sunshine is intense and the city has a crisp clean look. Many days all year round have a special spring feeling.

As I drove west across the Eastern states on a super-highway a year and a half ago, I began to think the country is all

much the same. Suddenly at a point in Western Nebraska, with a sharp click in my head I registered the sight of wide open nothing. It continued for miles, open grass plains – not a tree, house, or sign. I felt disorientated, without reference points or protection. I held the steering wheel tighter and focused on my destination. The next day I was high in the mountains and my uncertainty changed to awe at the rocky heights close around me. All the way to Reno I felt the power of the desert and mountains, wild and compelling.

I have lived in five places in Reno. “Camping out” in the trailer. For the winter a shared luxury studio high in the Arlington Towers overlooking the neon casino lights. In the Spring a modest place with a companion sympathetic to simple living – natural foods, candles, herb tea, and sleeping on the floor. In mid-Summer, an unfurnished apartment of my own, the first to live there. I sold the Saab and enjoyed walking to work. Just after acquiring a few pieces of furniture, I moved to the Church Rectory.

This is a unique modern structure designed by the former owner. Four stories high, built on a hill with a wide panoramic view south of the city. From the window of my room I look out over a broad valley and mountains still spotted with snow. The building has a steel roof, stucco walls the peachy color of sunset, a courtyard and balconies. No walls inside or out appear to be at right angles. My little room has five walls of various lengths and a triangular closet. The living room is two stories high with a tall fireplace and a stairway from a balcony on the upper level.

Besides the Rectory, there is an office suite in the Arlington Towers. No church buildings, for the members are all over the United States as well as some in Canada and other countries. The number in Reno is relatively small, most of them full or part-time staff. The office is a center to distribute books to the public and present instruction to students enrolled through printed lessons, tapes, and

seminars. My department is public services, (a name I chose, as my library friends will recognize). I handle inquiries, orders, large mailings and other contacts with interested persons as well as some work related to students also. It is interesting to note the wide range of persons who take an interest in the Community. Just to think of some of the various people I deal with in my work: professional men and women, young people of the new-age style, retirees, factory workers, housewives, orthodox Christians from liberal to conservative, some from Pentecostal groups, persons schooled in the Jewish faith, those who have never gone to church, and a number who have spent years exploring schools of self-development.

“I would like to mention that aside from being Reverend Gene Sr’s research librarian, as things progressed Carol also taught in the Parochial School. She did precepting for new students and there is a two-page list of other duties she performed, so she was pretty busy.



Carol Ann and Lawson Crabb with the late Bishop Gene Savoy Sr. on their wedding day in 1991

"In 1991 Carol married Lawson Crabb. He was a Southern gentleman-type of man. After the wedding they moved down to Steamboat Hot Springs. Lawson played the bass, Carol enjoyed playing the violin. Both were dedicated to the Church and had a lot in common with each other. It was a good match. She loved him. Then in April of 2000 Lawson passed away. The years following, Carol's journals reflect a series of ups and downs.

"One of my fondest memories of Carol is when she moved out to the Sanctuary. We had an RV out there that wasn't being used that much so in 2010 Carol was asked if she would like to move into it. I found the place in her journal where she is pondering it over. Some of her friends said she should jump on it and others, it would be a big mistake. One of her main concerns were the neighbors (that would be myself and Reano).

After going back and forth trying to decide, she finally consulted the I Ching. The I Ching assured her the timing was right. I think it was around the middle of February that she spent her first night. The weather wasn't too bad, low 30's. And then about four days later we hit a cold spell. The temp dropped down into the teens at night and things quit working, like the heater and then frozen water pipes.

"I would check in on her every morning to see how things were going. The second day I went up to check on her, the temperature in the motor home was something like 21 degrees, I asked, "Why didn't you call me?" And she said "Oh, I just put on my ski outfit and zipped up in my sleeping bag." Keep in mind she still had her apartment in town she was 66 years old and kind of frail. She could just as well have said "I'm going back to town and when you get things working right call me." We were concerned about her, but trying to talk her into going into town was not an option. She wouldn't do it. I didn't know Carol that well at the time, but in retrospect it was part of her nature, She liked the challenge. She enjoyed working together with me to figure out how to make it work so she could stay out there. And over a three-day period we did get the bugs worked out. So that little story is a testimony to her grit and perseverance. That same year Reano passed away and in November we decided that Carol needed to move into Reano's apartment. So every thing was working out. Carol got a nice apartment and a green house. The following Spring she was in the green house from sunup to sundown. She loved gardening. She would often call her sister Ruth and they would spend hours talking about their gardens and exchanging ideas. So the I Ching was right. She was happy out here. Incidentally there was an entry in her journal about the neighbors, turns out we were pretty nice guys after all

"Aside from the fact that she once referred to me as "a couch potato," Carol was a gentle soul, and she brought to the Sanctuary a sense of order.

“This affirmation was a favorite of hers and I think it reflects her disposition:

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story. Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is as perennial as the grass. Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.”



Carol Ann with Sung Cha Staver and Jamila Savoy circa 1981



Carol Ann at her residence at Steamboat Hot Springs in the early 1990s



Carol Ann performing a service at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary circa 1982

A reception followed at Bishopstead on Carmel with food prepared by Reverend Noriko Roy, Deacon Radheka Patel Savoy, and Olympia Huss.



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Carol Ann Crabb

1944-2020

Reno – Carol Ann (June 30, 1944 – October 24, 2020) was born in Buffalo, New York to Estella and Howard Heavener. She was raised with a brother, Robert James Heavener, and two sisters, Ruth Ellen and Edna Mae. She was a sensitive and caring individual with a nature to educate, as shown in her choice of Library Science as a means to aid researchers in all fields of study. She received her Bachelor degree in Arts and Philosophy from the State University of New York at Buffalo, with two years at Syracuse University, and went on to receive her Master of Science, Library Science degree from Syracuse University.

Carol Ann was Assistant Professor for seven years in the area of Librarian for Readers Services at Jefferson Community College, instructing and providing assistance and tours for both students and visiting librarians. She had authored and co-authored four publications in the field of Library Science by 1974 when she chose to join the faculty of the International Community of Christ, Church of the Second Advent, accepting the position of Chief Librarian at the Jamilian University of the Ordained Library in Reno, Nevada in 1974. She later went on to teach Library Science at the Jamilian Parochial School. She became invaluable as the personal librarian to the Head Bishop of the Church, the late Most Right Reverend Gene Savoy, Sr., aiding his research in religious and cultural studies and in many other areas. Carol Ann was instrumental in the education of the late bishop's son, the Right Reverend Gene Savoy, Jr., who now heads the Church.

She was ordained into the ministry of the International Community of Christ in December 1974 and served on the governing board of the Church. She met and married the

Reverend Lawson Van Buren Crabb. Together they were appointed Rectors of the Church of New Qumran at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary where they served together until his passing in April 2000.

Carol Ann was preceded in death by her sister, Edna Mae Heavener, and is survived by her brother, Robert James Heavener, and her sister, Ruth Ellen Heavener and also three nephews, three nieces, four great nephews, five great nieces, and two great great nieces.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Chapel of the Holy Child of the International Community of Christ, 643 Ralston, Reno, NV. A reception will be held immediately following the service at Bishopstead, 2025 La Fond Drive. In lieu of flowers, please send a donation to the International Community of Christ for the planting of trees at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary in her memory.

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