

## ***Affirmation of the Month***

I know that there is a Presence and a Perfect Law irresistibly drawing into my experience everything which makes life happy and worthwhile. I place my reliance in the Power and the Perfection of God. I know that freedom and joy are mine today. With joy I enter into the fulfillment of life.

## ***Announcements***

### ***Volunteer Opportunities:***

We would welcome some more Coffee Attendants, dishwashers, help with setting up, and someone to help out with Public Relations. Please see Jeanne Rioux or a Board Member if you are interested in any of these positions.

***Board Meeting:*** The next Board meeting date will be October 26<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

***Co-op Number:*** Don't forget to use Michelle Marier's Co-op number when getting gas as the rebate is coming back to the Center. **29857**

***Thrifty Foods Gift Cards:*** Please see Pat Alfke Wright if you do not have a Thrifty Foods Gift Card. When you load up your card and use it to buy groceries, the Positive Living Centre receives 5% of everything you spend!

***Pastoral Care Cards:*** Do you know someone in our congregation who is ill or in need of a pick me up? Contact Jeni Hillier at 250 598-8802 or [j.hillier@shaw.ca](mailto:j.hillier@shaw.ca). She would be happy to send a card.

***Please note:*** From time to time we will take pictures or videos of people at services or events to put on our Website or Facebook. Please let us know if you do not want to be included in this.

## ***Positive Living Centre of Victoria Centre News for October 2014***

### ***Minister's Note***

Thanksgiving is our theme throughout the month of October. What a wonderful season October is with the crisp clear sunny days and cool nights. Our gardens are still filled with the late-blooming roses, hydrangeas, fuchsia and a myriad of other plants that will brighten the garden until the first frosts. Leaves colouring and falling brighten the pathways when we walk in the woods. Canada geese circle and honking in unison fly out to more southerly destinations.

Our ancestors gave thanks in the autumn when the crops had been harvested and there was evidence of plenty all around them. The cornucopia of plenty overflowing with produce remains a symbol of the Thanksgiving season.

That same Cornucopia of Plenty could be a symbol of our wonderful New Thought teaching. After all, in our teachings we learn that we are in an Abundant Universe that is ever sustaining us and always providing for our every need.

In studying Science of Mind we have learned that giving thanks is not an act confined to a particular day or season, but rather that it is a part of spiritual practice every day of our lives. Life is overflowing with good every day of our lives.

Ernest Holmes tells us: "In everything give thanks." An attitude of gratitude is most salutary and bespeaks the realization that we are *now* in heaven...Gratitude is one of the chief graces of human existence and is crowned in heaven with a consciousness of unity.'

We each have our own personal cornucopia of plenty for which we can consciously give thanks.

Let us celebrate Thanksgiving every day of the year!

Light and love!  
Rev. Joanna Drewry

## ***President's Remarks***

Well, we have reached the end of the application process for our new Minister and the next step is to arrange for them to do a Sunday service and workshop, which I encourage you all to come to. This will be an opportunity for each of you to get to know the candidates. After that is complete a General Meeting will be called for you to vote on your choice. I know that this process will bring us someone who can offer this community the love that we all give to each other, and that this person will be as supportive as each of us have been to each other.

I would also like to thank you all for all your prayers and support during my stressful times. I am so blessed to be part of this community and know that this will also be the case for our new Minister

Bless you all,  
Bonnie

## ***Special Announcement***

Our Autumn Splendour Concert was a huge success! All of the musicians gave so generously of their time and talents. We raised over \$1,100.00 and the Board voted Sunday to buy the piano that Louise had rented. It will cost around \$1,200.00. Our Thrifty Smile card application lists a new piano as one of our joint fundraising efforts this year, so this is a perfect match-up! And, Louise is promising us wonderful music!

*"When I started counting my blessings, my whole life turned around."* ~ Willie Nelson

*"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough."* ~ Oprah Winfrey

## ***Events***

***Volunteer Appreciation*** Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>

Please join us for Pizza after the service to say a big THANK YOU to all of our wonderful volunteers!

## ***Coming in November***

***Goods & Services Auction*** Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

It is Auction time again, so please get your services and products ready for Tom's auctioneering. All donations must be at the Centre by November 16th. We cannot accept anything after that date. This is always a fun event and is used to raise money for our insurance.

***The Night of Lights*** Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6pm-10pm  
Tickets are \$5 and all the proceeds go to the Centre. Please pick up your book to sell to family and friends, as this is a fun event with deals to be had and a great way to start your Christmas shopping.

***Christmas Pot Luck Lunch*** Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>

## ***Ongoing Events***

***Amazing Grays*** Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am

This women's spiritual discussion group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. Please call Doreen Maxwell (250-383-7374) for more information.

***Treasure Table*** Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

This is a PLC fund raising event. Please bring your unwanted treasures for others to buy and cherish! Takes place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month.