

"Drink deeply. Live in serenity and joy."

-Buddha

# COMMON GROUND INTERSPIRITUAL FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY CELEBRATION OF SPIRIT<sup>\*</sup> October 22, 2017

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- Announcements
- Gathering Chime & Invocation
- Honoring Earth Tradition
- Affirmation

Each activity of my day is filled with Spirit's expanding joy.

Spirit gives me the joy of expressing life to others.

I am open to new possibilities of life and joy.

The angels dance with me a dance of joy.<sup>†</sup>

- Music for Gathering: Sing Out with Joy
- Joys & Concerns
- Music for Reflection: From Joy I Came
- Quiet Time for Personal Reflection
- Inspirational Reading
- **Discussion** (see facing page for topic)
- Offering with Music
- Peace Song
- Prayer of Protection

The light of God surrounds us; the love of God enfolds us; the power of God protects us; the presence of God watches over us. Wherever we are, God is, and all is well.

### Today's Discussion Joy, an Aspect of God

This is the first in a series of conversations about aspects of Spirit (e.g. peace, wisdom, love, light, sound, power, calm). In Sanskrit the word for joy is ananda—commonly translated as bliss (beyond temporal joy or happiness).

How do you hold "joy" or "bliss" from the wisdom of your spiritual path? Has your conception and/or experience of this changed over time? How might your sense of this impact the world?

### Announcements

Authentic Spiritual Conversations meets every Tuesday, 7-8:30pm, CMH-OHSU Knight Cancer Collaborative, Classroom 128 (off the lobby), 1905 Exchange St., Astoria, OR.

Rent	\$40.00
Salaries	\$0.00
Misc	\$ 4.79
Year-to-Last-Week:	
Income:	\$433.00
Expenses:	\$357.88

# Finances (weekly)<sup>‡</sup>

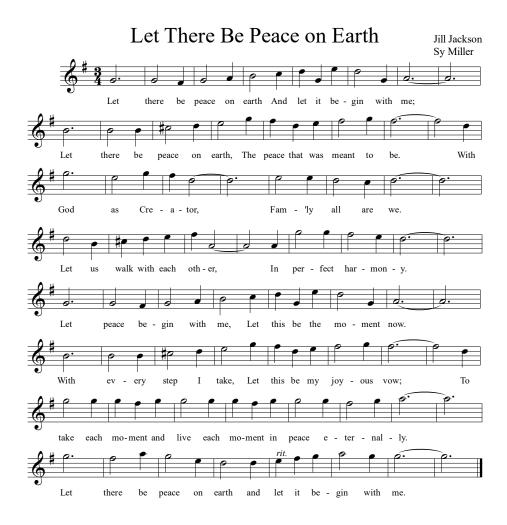
\* We recognize in a gathering of diverse spiritual seekers, the words we have chosen will not be connecting with everyone. We invite you to inwardly translate these words and rituals to those of your path perhaps Creative Intelligence, Ground of Being, God, Creator, Universal Mind, Spirit of Nature, or Power Greater than Yourself, or...?

+ Our affirmation today is derived from Unity affirmations.

<sup>+</sup> We are building a reserve for our upcoming need for insurance.

#### **Mission Statement**

This Fellowship is an inclusive community dedicated to the unfolding spiritual journey of each individual by engaging our minds, our hearts, and our actions.





... where consciousness unfolds and love emerges!