

## **Center for Spiritual Living - Olympia**

### **Core Council Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – 6:00 – 8:00 pm

In person and Zoom

*Our Mission is to be an open, expanding, and welcoming community that learns, lives, and shares spiritual principles.*

*Our Purpose is to reveal our wholeness and connection with all that is.*

*Our Vision is to live as Love in a world of Love.*

Present: Rev. David Robinson, Craig Francis, Carrie Barrett, Greg Laura, Hillary Myers, and David Dickinson

Guest: Candice Baughman with One Parish One Prisoner

Practitioner: Rev. Carrie Masters

Scribe: Hillary Myers

The meeting was called to order by Carrie Barrett at 6:04 p.m.

Rev. Carrie Masters, provided the opening prayer.

Craig shared a poem from The Big Red Book of Rumi Poetry by Coleman Barks called Every Tree.

#### **Check In — ALL**

Offer one sentence that captures your experience of these bright sunny days we've had.

#### **Consent Agenda**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the Meeting were not finished. Minutes will be reviewed next Council Meeting.

#### **Staff Review Update**

Rev. David will schedule reviews beginning tomorrow.

#### **Buffie's Graduation Update**

Buffie's graduation is Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Recognizing her achievement was discussed.

#### **Community Announcements**

David D. asks about the protocol for announcing outside events. Rev. David shared that all announcements go through Tiffany or himself. Outside, unrelated activities are not included in our community announcements; however, it can't hurt to ask.

#### **One Parish One Prisoner**

Candice met Carol Kautzmann at Interfaith Works. Carol expressed interest in the One Parish One Prisoner program, a faith-based reentry program run by Underground Ministries, a nonprofit based in Skagit County, WA. In this program, a group of 7 from a faith community adopts one person releasing from prison, building a real relationship before and after release, to dismantle the barriers that make reentry challenging. The time commitment for each person in the group of 7 is 4 hours a month for 2 years. The tuition cost to participate is \$250. What was the outcome of this presentation?

### **Website & Social Media Refresh**

Craig sent the proposal out to the Finance Committee and it was received with questions and concerns.

### **Class Update**

Six people signed up for Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction class.

### **Building Banner**

“You are welcome here” vs. “You belong here.” The Council agrees to use “You are welcome here.”

### **Piloting Church**

Council discussed Chapter 2 of Piloting Church.

### **Next Steps**

- Hillary: Complete 4/21 Meeting Minutes
- Rev. David: Schedule reviews beginning tomorrow.
- Rev. David and Carrie send Greg evaluation templates
- All Council Members: Consider Buffie’s recognition of achievement
- All Council Members: Consider the One Parish One Prisoner program for next Council Meeting discussion.
- Hillary: Attend 5/11 Finance Committee on Zoom
- All Council Members: Sign “Thank You” card to Jeremy for his donation of a carpet shampooer.
- All Council Members: Read Chapter 3 of Piloting Church

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm with a closing prayer offered by Rev. Carrie Masters.