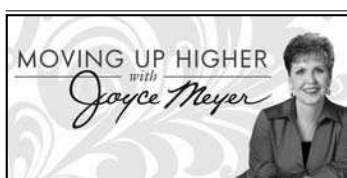


# Lutheran Church offers lenten soup lunches

Resurrection Lutheran Church of Florence, 85294 Highway 101, is offering soup lunches on Wednesdays at noon, March 9 and 16. A message will focus on parts of the Lord's Prayer while soup is served. For more information, call Pastor Benscoter at 541-997-8038.



I've found that we can learn so much about the Lord by examining His many names found in the Bible. Each one reveals a unique aspect of His character along with a very specific promise for our lives.

When we get to know God — really know Him — it fills us with hope and confidence because we realize He's greater than any situation we will ever encounter.

Understanding God's character and incredible love for us allows us to relax and trust Him in every area of our lives.

The Bible says He is Jehovah Jireh, which means "Your Provider" (Genesis 22:14). He's Jehovah Rapha, "Your Healer" (Exodus 15:26), and Jehovah Shalom, "Your Peace" (Judges 6:24).

The Lord is also referred to as Jehovah M'Kaddesh, which means "The Lord who sancti-

# Cooperate with God to grow in life

fies us" (Leviticus 20:8). This literally means He is the God who changes us. It's so encouraging to know we don't have to change ourselves, because when we try to change on our own, it only produces frustration and struggle.

You see, when you begin a relationship with Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit comes to live inside of you. Now you have great things on the inside, but they need to be "worked out" to the outside. We need to learn how to think right, talk right, and treat other people the way we should. And we can only do it through God's strength and help.

As the Holy Spirit begins to bring conviction in different areas of our lives, we become aware of things that need to change. When this happens, the Lord doesn't want us to feel guilty and condemned. He simply wants us to have the attitude that says, "God, I know that You're right and I'm wrong, and I want to change in

this area. I trust You to help me change."

The truth is you can actually enjoy your life while God is changing you. You don't have to feel bad because you are not perfect or even worry about trying to change yourself.

First Thessalonians 5:24 says, Faithful is He Who is calling you and utterly trustworthy, and He will also do it.

I love this. Out of His great love, God not only shows us what needs to change, but this verse says He will also do it. As we draw closer to the Lord through reading His Word and talking to Him in prayer, He literally transforms us from the inside out and makes us more like Him. Our part is to cooperate with God and do the things He puts in our hearts to do.

For example, years ago when the Lord was teaching me about walking in excellence and integrity, I began feeling convicted about little things like putting my grocery cart away in the store parking lot.

The Lord also constantly dealt with me about how I treated my husband, Dave.

I remember wanting to start

an argument one day and the Holy Spirit whispering, "You don't need to say anything." Sometimes it meant letting Dave think he was right...even if I knew he wasn't. I can still feel the pain of trying to keep my mouth shut.

These may seem like small things, but every time you obey God and do what's right — even when it hurts — you grow spiritually and become more like Jesus. And as you represent the character of Christ to the world, people will want what you have and be drawn to you to know more about God.

Friend, the Lord has an amazing plan for your life. He not only desires for you to be with Him in Heaven, but it's also His will for you to have a great life here on Earth. I encourage you to seek God and spend time in His Word.

Ask Him to change you and help you become everything He has created you to be.

As you do, the Lord will be faithful to transform you into His image ... and help you experience a greater, more fulfilling life than you ever imagined.

# Personal health topic of next FUUF service

Sunday, March 6, from 10 to 11 a.m., at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (FUUF), Rosemary Alden will lead the worship service titled: "Health is in Your Hands."

Alden holds certificates in holistic nutrition, reflexology, re-evaluation counseling and nonviolent communication.

Alden has been an instructor of Jin Shin (acupressure) self-help for 10 years, and is passionate about this physio-philosophy.

"It's designed to reduce stress and tension, relieve

chronic pain, diminish fear, anger, sadness, worry and much more" said Alden. "Many participants experience success — almost immediately — using the healing power in their own hands."

The UU Fellowship is at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road.

It is wheelchair accessible and each service concludes with refreshments and dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each service.

For more information, visit [www.uuflorence.org](http://www.uuflorence.org) or call 541-997-2840.

# Soup's On to discuss meaning of springtime

On Monday, March 7, at 6:30 p.m., everyone is invited to join a group from diverse spiritual paths who will discuss the topic: "Spiritual Springtime."

Every year on March 21, Baha'is from all over the world and of all cultural backgrounds celebrate Naw Ruz.

Naw Ruz, which means "New Day," is celebrated at the vernal equinox, on the first day of spring.

It is a time of joy and celebration, with the darkness of winter coming to an end and the reappearance of light, warmth and the beauty of spring's flowers. It is a day of

new beginnings, change and hope.

The evening will begin with bowls of Ghormeh sabzi, a Persian herb soup, along with homemade bread, fruit and vegetables, followed by the evening's topic until 8:30 p.m.

The gathering will end with prayers for the requests left in the Prayer Pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse and those shared by the group.

Everyone is invited to attend Soup's On at the Heintz home, 875 Seventh St.

For more information call Suzanne Mann-Heintz at 541-590-0779.

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