

The purpose of life, after all, is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience.—Eleanor Roosevelt





# FIND YOURSELF HERE

At Mile Hi, you'll find a church here. But my greatest hope is that you find yourself here.

When I have the honor of sharing a Sunday message, my prayer isn't that you leave thinking more like I do but that you have greater clarity around your own thoughts and feelings—about God, life, yourself, your relationships, and your reasons for living.

Beyond our Sunday services, there are many other paths to finding yourself.

Serving in our Make-A-Difference ministry, liftingup the greater community.

Education and taking action with our Sacred Earth, Interfaith, and Diversity and Belonging initiatives.

Classes, youth and family programs, workshops, and support groups.

Or grab some materials that go along with our Back To Basics series online and do a self-study with yourself or a loved one.

I invite you to try something out and see if you feel a little more like yourself, who you want to be, or at least, on your way. Part of the joy for me in participating in Mile Hi Church is that it's a place where I can find myself again and again.



Josh Reeves Lead Minister

# Rev. Jackie's Quick and Easy Spinach Salad

#### **Ingredients**

- ☐ 1 bag or bunch of fresh spinach
- ☐ A few mandarin oranges. Cuties work great.
- ☐ Quarter of an onion thinly sliced
- ☐ Creamy French dressing or Asian sesame vinaigrette
- ☐ Bacon or hard boiled egg (optional)
- Parmesan

#### **Directions**

- 1. Combine the washed spinach torn into small pieces, mandarin oranges, sliced onions, and creamy French dressing or Asian Sesame Vinaigrette.
- If you'd like, add a protein with chopped, crispy bacon or chopped hard boiled eggs.
- 3. Toss together well and add the parmesan cheese.
- 4. Enjoy!





Four-Week Sunday Series **Back to Basics 2024** Four Spiritual Rites of Thriving

Sun., Jan. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 8 & 10 a.m. In-Person, Teel Sanctuary, 10 a.m. Livestream



# **Healing Light** Service

Second Sunday Evening of Every Month In-Person Only, 5 p.m., Vogt Auditorium

Indoor labyrinth is available from 4-7 p.m. in the Community Center.



# SAVE THE DATE Easter Service 2024

Sun., March 31, 8 & 10 a.m. In-Person, Teel Sanctuary,

Visit the services page at milehichurch.org



# **Spiritual Living Classes**

Spiritual Enrichment & Deepening

#### Winter Term Starts Mon, Jan. 15

- · Beyond Limits, In-Person
- Prayer as a Spiritual Practice, Online
- The Mystical Path, In-Person
- Powering Your Decisions, In-Person

#### Featured Classes

Finding Meaning with Josh Reeves, Thurs., March 7 - 28

A Journey in Gnosticism with Zemirah Jawierska, Tues., March 5 – April 2

Visit the classes page at milehichurch.org

# SPIRITUAL LIVING CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

#### **JANUARY**

#### #201 Prayer as a Spiritual Practice

Carol Wilke | 8 weeks, Online | Mon., Jan. 15 – March 4 | 5 – 7:30 p.m. | \$125\*

#### **#101 Beyond Limits**

Josh Reeves | 8 weeks, In-person | Tues., Jan. 16 – March 5 | 6:30 – 9 p.m. | \$75\*

#### **NEW #710 The Mystical Path**

Patty Luckenbach | 8 weeks, In-person | Tues., Jan. 16 - March 5 | 6:30 - 9 p.m. | \$125\*

#### **NEW #302 Powering Your Decisions**

Michelle Medrano | 8 weeks, In-person | Thurs., Jan. 18 - March 14 | 6:30 - 9 p.m. | \$125\*

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### Love & Logic® Magic for Early Childhood

Barry Ebert | 4 weeks, In-person | Thurs., Feb. 8 – 29 | 6:30 – 8 p.m. | \$95/single, \$150/couple

#### The Mourning After: Grieving the Loss of a Loved One

Prayer and Care Center | 8 weeks, Online | Mon., Feb. 12 - April 1 | 6:30 - 9 p.m. | \$75

#### **MARCH**

#### **Beyond Divorce**

Prayer & Care Center | 8 weeks, In-person | Mon., March 4 – April 22 | 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. | \$75

#### **NEW A Journey in Gnosticism**

Zemirah Jazwierska | 5 weeks, In-person | Tues., March 5 – April 2 | 6:30 – 9 p.m. | \$160

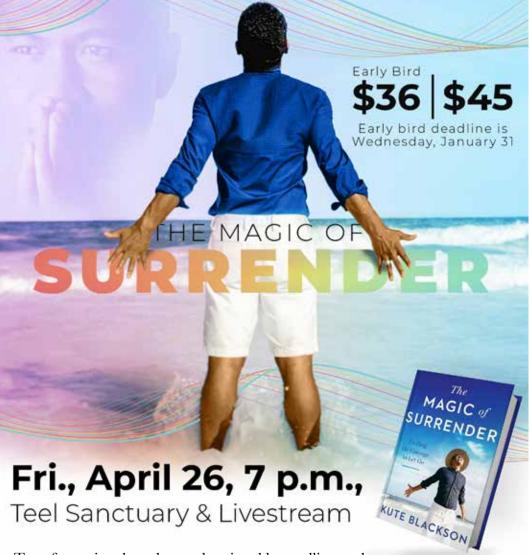
#### **NEW Finding Meaning**

Josh Reeves | 4 weeks, In-person | Thurs., March 7 – 28 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | \$125



\*Thanks to the Mile Hi Foundation Education Pillar for their donation to cover half the cost of **certificated classes** for the winter term.





Transformational teacher and national best-selling author Kute Blackson guides us on a journey of transformation.

Surrender is the invitation to take all limits off of life itself, so magic can happen. More than you can imagine. More than you could ever plan. More than you can fathom. This is the magic!

Kute will inspire you to live surrender and show you the path to tapping into the power of the Universe to manifest your greatness.





# Wednesday Night Insight

A minister meditation, a practitioner prayer, and time for meditation.

7 p.m., Online @ YouTube and Facebook



# The Ordination of Rev. Zemirah Jazwierska

Florescence: The Flowering of Divine Light

Sun., Jan. 21, 4-6 p.m., Teel Sanctuary



### **Kirtan Chanting** with Scott and Shanti

Wed., Feb. 7, 7 - 9 p.m., Vogt Auditorium, Love Offering



## Sacred Saturday

Silent Mini Retreat Sat., Feb. 10, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., Vogt Chapel

Power of 8 Circles Sat., April 6, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Center



# **Personal Care Products** and Paper Drive

Sun., Feb. 11, 8 - 11:30 a.m.Teel Sanctuary Lobby



# Spring Flowers for Summer Lunches

Sun., March 17 & 24, 7:30 - 11:30 a.m., Purchase a Plant at the Events Center



#### 2024 Mile Hi Church Initiative

#### Rites of Passage

Our 2024 annual initiative is Rites of Passage. Throughout the year, we will be giving special attention to the rituals of our lives and our community. Rites of Thriving, rites of meaning, rites of release, rites of celebration—we invite you to engage with us this year in mindful recognition of the many passages of life knowing there is a greater Spirit available to guide us along the way.





#### Spiritual Practices at Mile Hi

# Chapel Meditation, Yoga, Tai Chi/Qigong, and the Mile Hi Labyrinth.

# **Insight Timer**

Follow us on Insight Timer, the #1 meditation app.

### Mile Hi Ongoing Initiatives

Our ongoing initiatives are precious to us and allows our community to experience traditions and cultures of different faith paths, learn unique perspectives of diverse groups, and implement productive ways of being positive stewards of our Earth.



# Diversity and Belonging

Race: The Power of An Illusion

Four Movie Nights Wed., Feb. 21– March 13, 7–8:30 p.m., Community Center



#### Interfaith

Field Trip To Mother Cabrini Shrine

Sun., March 3, 12 – 2:30 p.m., Mother Cabrini Shrine



#### Sacred Earth Movie Night

Fri., Feb. 16,

7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Center

Visit the initiative page at milehichurch.org

**NITIATIVES** 



#### **Prayer & Care Center**

A Center of Love, Healing Prayer, and Compassionate Care

#### Office Hours:

Mon. – Thurs., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. 303-232-8851 pcc@milehichurch.org

Prayer Support & Requests 720-974-2261

One-On-One Support Sessions 303-232-8851

Grief Support, Compassionate Care Team, Support Groups 720-974-2234



#### **Memorials**

Sandy Troyano

Care Ministry Coordinator

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## **Healing**

Awaken your inner healer with the support of our ministers and healing community.

#### **Healing Connection Support Group**

Meets every Wednesday night online. A weekly meeting offering practical tools and inspiration for anyone seeking healing support.



# Spirituality in Recovery

Provides life-changing tools to create a new story for those struggling with dependency on alcohol, drugs, food, and more.

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Rev. Carol Wilke Recovery Minister cwilke@milehichurch.org

#### SPIRITUAL CONTEMPLATION

Rites of Passage

The spiritual life includes its own rites of passage—rituals created for us by life itself that move us into our next level of becoming.

What is something you want to do more of in 2024? What is a spiritual insight that has been furthering your growth? What stories do you tell yourself that impact how you show up? What do you tell yourself that affirms your abundance?

#### Affirmation:

I am a creative, thriving being in this thing called life.



#### Birth - Fifth

Anchored in ritual, we offer age-appropriate teachings of key spiritual concepts.

#### Youth Church

Sunday class at 8 & 10 a.m. in person.

# Middle & High School

We empower our maturing students to freely express themselves and embrace their inner truths.

#### **Sunday Lesson**

Class at 10 a.m. in person.

### What I Wish My Parents Knew

#### Neurodiversity Sun., Jan. 28 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.,

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.n Vogt Auditorium, Love Offering



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Visit milehichurch.org/ youth-family



# Spring Eggstravaganza

Sat., April 13, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Center Plaza





# Mile Hi Children's Enrichment Center (MHCEC) Preschool

Enriching the early childhood journey with wonder, respect, support, and guidance. We look at the learning environment holistically and co-create curricula with our children and families that reflect their uniqueness.

2023 – 2024 is full. Enroll for next year. School Year: Aug. 2024 – May 2025

To connect about enrollment or tours, email April Reeves, MHCEC Director, at areeves@milehichurch.org.

Visit milehicec.org

# **OUR VISION**

Oneness revealed—a world of love, peace, and abundance for all.

# **OUR MISSION**

To serve as a spiritual beacon for personal empowerment and global enlightenment.



Learn about our pathways of giving at milehichurch.org/give.

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