

Chaplaincy Program at Unity in Napa Valley

There is nothing quite as comforting as being lovingly supported during times of challenge or crisis or even celebration. It is always helpful to have a hand to reach out to, a compassionate heart to listen and understand. A few caring words can bring inspiration to nourish your spirit. Ask a Unity Chaplain to pray with you.



“I can’t tell you about my path,” says Mother Teresa, “but I am only a little wire – God is the Power.” Mother Teresa’s statement expresses the foundation of our Prayer Chaplain Program. God is the source of all power regardless of appearances.

“As Prayer Chaplains, we are embarking on a path to deepen our compassion, and share unconditional love with others” as Rev. Lei Lanni Burt put so well as the founder of this program.



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“Prayer is the language of spirituality. The inner silence of prayer is a great source of spiritual power”

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Prayer is at the Heart of Unity

“We place much emphasis on the power of the mind and we understand that true prayer requires more than repetition of memorized words. Prayer is an attitude of the heart that is about being instead of doing. It is through our minds that we can remember our oneness with God. It is much more than just asking God for things, and although that remains a part of it, the raising of consciousness is the main benefit of prayer.

One might say that prayer is not so much about the goodies you can get, but about the goodness you are.”

Metaphysics I, Unity Institute

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What is a Unity Prayer Chaplain?

A Prayer Chaplain is a prayer partner who has received special training to create a sacred space, listen deeply, pray from the heart, and hold in confidence what is shared in strictest confidence.

How Do I Use the Services of a Prayer Chaplain?

•**Sunday Services.** The Prayer Chaplains are available before, during and after services. They are identified by a white stole.

•**Prayer Request.** Indicate on the Prayer Request form that you'd like a Unity Prayer Chaplain to contact you by phone.

•**Wellness Call.** As a member of Unity in Napa Valley, a Prayer Chaplain may call as often as you request for any prayer need. A particular Prayer Chaplain may be requested or a change of Prayer Chaplain can be arranged by calling our Worship Center.

•**Hospital Visitation.** Chaplains will make home or hospital visits upon request. Call us at (707) 255-6881.

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How Can I Become a Unity Prayer Chaplain?

Our Chaplaincy Program trains individuals to do three things: hold sacred space, listen, and pray. It is a wonderful opportunity to deepen one's spiritual path through prayer and service, while helping people in our church community feel “connected” and in relationship with one another.

Being a Prayer Chaplain includes certain responsibilities and requirements.

- Maintain a personal prayer life
- Demonstrate a commitment to Unity principles
- Hold what you hear in strictest confidence
- Serve as Sunday “Prayer Chaplain on Duty,” as assigned
- Attend scheduled meetings and trainings.

•For more information on becoming a Unity Prayer Chaplain, please call us at (707) 255-6881.