



THE GAYATRI PRAYER

AUM. Let us meditate on the glory of that effulgent Reality from whom the whole universe is projected. May He enlighten our minds. AUM.

THE ETERNAL TRUTHS

I AM AN ABSOLUTE MONIST. I BELIEVE:

“Truth is one; men call it by various names.”

“God, Brahman, is Consciousness-Existence-Bliss Absolute.”

“Everything is the manifestation of God, the Divine Reality.”

“The soul of man is of identical nature with the God of the universe.”

“Make thine own self pure by good thoughts, good words, good deeds.”

“Realize thyself.”

“By the realization of one’s own self, the absolute Self is realized.”

“God is the light of the heavens and the earth.”

“He who realizes God becomes one with God.”

“I am that I Am.”

“I and my Father are one.”

“I am Brahman, the absolute Self.”

THOUGHT JEWELS

“Soul is ever faithful in fulfilling its sacred purpose. It is undaunted in its resolution. Determination keeps us firmly established on the path of self-perfection.”

—Swami Premananda

"One Hundred and One Noble Qualities"

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Your children are cordially invited to attend our Sunday School in the Church of the Children at 11 a.m.

Golden Lotus Temple

ORDER OF SERVICE

April 28, 2024



Prelude: “Sweet Hour of Prayer” W.B. Bradbury

Organist: Cordelia Dreisonstok

Subjective Meditation

Prayer No. V, p22

Hymn 1: “He Leadeth Me” W.B. Bradbury

Prayer No. XLIV, p70

Aum Shanti Shanti Shanti Hari Aum Shanti

(May absolute peace pervade the whole Universe.)

Offertory: Theme from *Exodus*

..... Ernest Gold, in the style of Liberace

Srimati Karuna, Minister

“A Noble Path”

Hymn 2: “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”

..... Samuel Longfellow/Louis M. Gottschalk

Benediction

Postlude: “The Strength of Magic Notes” from *The*

Magic Flute, K. 620 W.A. Mozart

HYMN 1.

He leadeth me, O blessed thought,
O words with heavenly comfort fraught.

Whate’er I do, where’er I be,
Still ‘tis God’s hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me.

His faithful follower I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me

Sometimes ‘mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden’s bowers bloom,

By waters calm, o’er troubled sea,
Still ‘tis His hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
By His own hand He leadeth me.

His faithful follower I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me. Amen

REFLECTIONS

“Our inner path is both a means and an end. It is both an inspired path and a path that leads to greater inspiration.

Each awakening and unfoldment of greater joy and bliss prepares us for the next, allowing us to become more receptive and wise along the way.

The light that illumines the path, reveals itself fully and freely. It proclaims a noble Truth which gently guides us.”

—Srimati Karuna

HYMN 2.

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine,
Dawn upon this soul of mine;
Word of God, and inward Light,
Wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, Love Divine,
Glow within this heart of mine;
Kindle every high desire;
Transmute Self in Thy pure fire.

Holy Spirit, Peace Divine,
Still this restless heart of mine;
Speak to calm this tossing sea,
Stayed in Thy tranquility. Amen.

WORDS OF WISDOM

“Uninterrupted progress is rare in the spiritual life. The widening experience of meditation seems more often to come in cycles. There may be intermittent times of questions, doubts and difficulties when we feel our efforts are all uphill. Such times are potentially good for us as long as we persevere with faith and make sincere efforts to pass through them. They may inspire us to find better habits, higher and finer ways and fresh outlooks.”

—Swami Kamalananda
"Reflections on Still Waters"

Books on Vedic and Yoga Philosophy

Swami Premananda

Prayers of Self-Realization
Prayers of Soul

Srimad-Bhagavad-Gita: The Revelation of the
Supreme Self

The Path of the Eternal Law: Dhammapada
Eight Upanishads
Four Upanishads

Inner Path to God: 2001 Thought Jewels
Seven Mystic Holydays

Sayings of Shyamacharan Lahiri
The Gayatri Prayer

Light on Kriya Yoga: The Mystic Way; The Mystic
Ritual; The Mystic Revelation

Raja Yoga (Patanjali's Yoga Sutras)
One Hundred and One Noble Qualities

The Blessedness of the Inner Life
Meditation and Self-Unfoldment

The Path of Pure Consciousness (Jnana Yoga)
The Law of Self-Manifestation (Karma Yoga)

The Magnetic Power of Love (Bhakti Yoga)
Seven Gifts of God to Me

God: The Universal Reality
Chintamani (Thought Jewels)

The Sanctity of the Senses

The Way of Wisdom and Self-Liberation
"Thine is The Glory"

Greater Things Are Yet To Come
Life Beyond Death and
14 Questions on Reincarnation

The Cosmic Cross

By Swami Kamalananda

Frontiers of the Spirit

Mahatma Gandhi: An American Profile
"I Am An Absolute Monist"

The Mystic Cross

"Moha-Mudgar: A Dance Drama"

Reflections on Still Waters

"Yours Faithfully, M.K. Gandhi"
Forest of Forever

By Srimati Karuna

Lights On The Path
Prayer Beads

MYSTIC CROSS ILLUSTRATION

8"x10" color depiction of the Chathachakra,
the six centers of subjective illumination.



THE GOLDEN LOTUS TEMPLE OF THE SELF-REVELATION CHURCH OF ABSOLUTE MONISM

The Golden Lotus Temple of the Self-Revelation Church of Washington, D.C., was designed and built by Swami Premananda. The cornerstone of this most distinctive edifice was laid by the Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, assisted by the officers of the Grand Lodge, on May 17, 1952. This was the first time in the history of Masonry and religion that a Grand Master laid the cornerstone of a house of worship of which a Swami was the minister. Upon the completion of the Golden Lotus Temple the first service was held on November 23, 1952.

IDEAL

Every man is essentially divine. Man is the divine self. The ideal of human existence is the recognition of man's spiritual self. Religion is the realization of man's divine nature, otherwise called self-realization. When man realizes his true self, spirituality guides his daily life and conduct. Life guided by spiritual vision insures inner contentment and world peace.

LIBRARY

The Library of India contains books by great thinkers of the world, but especially books on philosophy, religion, art and culture by men of wisdom of India. For further details consult the librarian.

MISSION HOUSE, CHURCH AND PARISH HOMES

The Mission House, the Church and Parish Homes of the Self-Revelation Church provide spiritual residence for members, students and workers.

OUR INDIA MISSION

Our India Mission was founded in 1944 and maintained exclusively by the Washington congregation for over 25 years. "Sevayatan" is located on 120 acres at Jhargram, District Midnapur, West Bengal. The services of the Mission include free school, vocational school and teacher's training college, medical clinic, emergency relief and other charitable services to the community.

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Founding Minister, 1928

SWAMI KAMALANANDA

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Minister

PRAYER OF DEVOTION

"Heavenly Father, may thy love shine forever on the sanctuary of my devotion, and may I be able to awaken thy love in all hearts."

Swami Yogananda Paramhansa of India
Guru-Preceptor

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