



FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

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# Our Purpose Newsletter

*"Our watchwords are Truth and Love; and if we abide in these, they will abound in us, and we shall be one in heart, — one in motive, purpose, pursuit."*

*— Miscellaneous Writings 135:5-7 by Mary Baker Eddy*

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## MOMENTS WITH OUR BELOVED LEADER MARY BAKER EDDY

"Founded on October 11, 1890, the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) came about at a time when women felt the need to express their patriotic feelings, but were excluded from men's organizations that carried on the memory of their ancestors who fought for freedom and independence. A group of women in Washington, D.C., formed the organization, which has celebrated and advocated patriotism. Since its founding in 1890, NSDAR has admitted nearly 900,000 members. Mary Baker Eddy is National No. 1423."

[Women's History Month: Mary Baker Eddy joins the Daughters of the American Revolution - Mary Baker Eddy Library](#)



### MONTHLY METAPHYSICAL TOPIC

**"Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them."**

**Psalms 119**

## SPRING

### EVENTS

March 10

Executive Board Meeting

May 17 - Noon. – 4:00 P.M.

125<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration



*Celebrating 125 Years of Christian Healing*

## Lecturer spotlight



Lesley R. Pitts, CS

### "FINDING TRUST IN A CHANGING WORLD"

by

**Lesley R. Pitts, CS**

**SATURDAY, MAY 17**

**12:30 PM**



Philip C. Bremenstuhl  
Soloist of Sacred Music

### Join Us!

- ❖ Historical Presentations
- ❖ Song of Praise
- ❖ Church Tours
- ❖ Celebration Reception

### SPECIAL GUEST LECTURE

12:30 PM

Lesley R. Pitts

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**Saturday, May 17, 2025**

**12:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Riverside  
3606 Lemon Street  
Riverside, California 92501

### Welcome to Our Purpose Newsletter

"Our Purpose" church newsletter is designed to inform, motivate and inspire all readers. In addition to listing upcoming church activities, this newsletter will also include historical reflections of our dear Leader Mary Baker Eddy and the Christian Science Movement. All Church members are welcome to submit articles and testimonies to Church member Joyce Warhop at [jewarhop@yahoo.com](mailto:jewarhop@yahoo.com) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Enjoy!

"It was during high school that the direction of Lesley's life changed. Although she was raised as a Christian Scientist, it wasn't until she experienced the joy of helping someone during a youth club outing that Lesley finally understood what it took to love unselfishly. This set her on a new path. She became aware that nursing qualities of willing service, patience, gentleness, and compassion were expressed all around her as she grew up and that she wanted to live them, too. They've woven themselves into every activity she has undertaken since then. For example, Lesley served as a Christian Science nurse for more than 30 years, mostly in the United Kingdom. This work brought her to Boston in the United States to work in the Christian Science Nursing Activities department. Later, she was part of the team that established The Mary Baker Eddy Library. Her nursing qualities were put to good use in organizing and caring for its collections--shared with the public for the first time. She served as Executive Manager and President of the Library for six years...Lesley believes that her unusual career path illustrates the idea that following God's lead is a more trustworthy foundation for living than relying on society's expectations or other people's opinions."

[Lesley Ruth Pitts, CS - Christian Science](#)