

# Triangle Center for Spiritual Living *Welcomes* New Spiritual Director

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Triangle Center for Spiritual Living (TCSL) is a Science of Mind community, one of more than 600 worldwide. Focusing on the practical implications of spirituality in our daily lives through positive affirmation and prayer treatments, TCSL has a current active

membership approaching 200. Science of Mind teaching, philosophy and way of life was founded in 1927 by Ernest Holmes.

Bringing her collaborative spirit to Triangle Center for Spiritual Living, new Spiritual Director Rev. Dusty Ripplmeyer sees an expansive future on the horizon. The announcement of Rev. Denise Schubert's retirement last year made space for then associate Rev. Dusty to move into the limelight. A position she still finds a bit surreal.

"It wasn't a sudden shift," says Rev. Dusty. "There were many conversations with Rev. Denise, a sharing and shifting of some responsibilities over time, and prayerful discussions about a transition that would be graceful and elegant. We initially held a vision of it taking 8–12 months. In the end — God's timing was different than ours — Rev. Denise choreographed the transition brilliantly."

Rev. Denise's announcement coincided, for Rev. Dusty, with a minister's conference in Seattle. As she drove to the airport, the soon-to-be ordained Rev. Dusty found herself wistfully looking back on the last six years of a spectacular working relationship with Rev. Denise and wondering, too, how her own ministry might manifest. Divine timing had provided this open-ended conference—a perfect place to contemplate what becoming Senior Minister might look like. Rev. Dusty came back from Seattle with a clear appreciation of all that Rev. Denise had accomplished and an even clearer vision for the center.

When asked about her greatest hopes for her community, Rev. Dusty is quick to feel the weight of her charge. But she knows too, she is not alone. "This

transition will be an opportunity for The Leadership Council, the Practitioners, and other leaders within the community to spread their own wings while serving others." The way Rev. Dusty sees it, it is this kind of collaborative energy that will allow the Triangle Center for Spiritual Living to expand exponentially with Grace and Ease.

"Science of Mind is an amazing teaching, philosophy, and way of life. I have experienced and witnessed its transformative power and would like to bring it to everyone who is seeking something more for their lives," says Rev. Dusty. While reaching out to as many people as possible is her calling, Dusty is adamant that, "making sure we maintain that personal and warm community feeling," is her priority.

When asked what she would like a first time visitor to know about the center, Rev. Dusty says she wishes to express that TCSL can become your "spiritual home." A home where you can feel safe to just be. "We are more than just a space and place to intellectually learn spiritual principles, such as Oneness, Wholeness, Creativity, Abundance, Immortality, and Forgiveness. Through services, classes, workshops, community events, and spiritual practices including prayer, meditation, visioning, and service, we create experiential opportunities for individuals to embody the principles in a very practical way. Everyone is welcome no matter where they are on their path. I would like for a first-time visitor to know this is a place to powerfully step into a life that you love."

TCSL is a trans-denominational community honoring all religious paths. Located at 559 Jones Franklin Road in Raleigh, services are held on Sunday at 8:45 and 10:45 a.m., and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Meditation is offered at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. The 10:45 a.m. service can be seen in real time on their website [www.trianglecsl.org](http://www.trianglecsl.org) by clicking on LIVE STREAM. They can also be found on Facebook and Twitter.