



Compassionate Action: Home October 8, 2017

C3-West Michigan's Inclusive Spiritual Connection is a vibrant, values-based Community in an evolving world that inspires and empowers members in their quest to live a good life.

We, in turn, engage and support others in the work for justice and compassion everywhere.

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Financial Update August & YTD Totals/August 2017

Income	Expense	Variance
\$12,467	\$10,713	\$1,753

YTD 2017		
Income	Expense	Variance
\$101,085	\$105,897	\$(4,812)

Welcome & News of the Community

Kent Dobson

Welcome!

We are grateful to have you with us today.

We invite you to introduce yourself to a lobby host or volunteer.

Gathering Music Sweet Morning Vision

The Way Down
Wanderers

Gathering Words

Jean McCabe

One: The sky is deep black,

All: **the stars pressing down brilliantly all around.**

One: and I am reminded that we are not beneath
constellations

All: **but among them.**

--Michael Perry

Children's Message

Shannon McMaster

Community Song

C3 Community

*Today is the day that we gather together
We'll listen and question and learn from each other.
Today all our differences strengthen our cause
Knowing, with action, we can lead the way ...today.*

*We can't be contented with yesterday's glories.
We can't live on promises...Winter to Spring.
Today is our moment and Now is our story.
We'll laugh and we'll cry as we sing...*

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Knowing, with action, we can lead the way ...today.*

Participants

Teacher

Michael Perry

Musicians

The Way Down Wanderers

Welcome & News

Kent Dobson

Reader

Jean McCabe

Meditation

David Dean

Children's Message

Shannon McMaster

Children's Volunteer

Charity McMaster

Hosts: Green Team

Karen Cotton

Joyce and Andy Cawthon

Kathy and Tom Tosa

Marian Mullette

Ushers: Green Team

Wayne Johnson

Betty Porter

Jane Curtis

Kathy Tosa

Tom Tosa

Debbie Gianetti

Cindy Krause-Leitner and John Leitner

The Red Host and Usher Teams
serve next week.

Office Hours:

Monday, October 9

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 11

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday, October 13

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Kent's hours

M/T/W

10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Please call ahead to set an appointment with
Kent if you wish to have time with him.*

Readings

After the fall

There is love after all

--Ray Wylie Hubbard
lyric from "After the Fall"

...all manner of things.

Have you hopping

like a toad frog

into your next life.

All manner of things.

Yes—rain and thunder.

All that but you

ain't prayed in so

long. Why bother

with fancy now?

--Honorée Fanonne Jeffers
excerpt from "On Listening to the Two-Headed Lady Blow Her
Horn"

*Practice makes us see an enormous distinction between
devoutness and conscience.*

-- Michel de Montaigne

Mindfulness Moment

Please focus on stillness and the present moment.

Meditation

David Dean

Musical Reflection

Circles

The Way Down
Wanderers

Teaching

A Humorous Presentation of
Uncertain Provenance

Michael Perry

Jean McCabe

Upcoming Speakers

October 15: TBA
October 22: Kent Dobson
October 29: Andrea Lauterbach
November 5: Marcel "Fable the Poet" Price

Shared Responsibility

Treading Water

The Way Down
Wanderers

Upcoming Announcers

October 15: Joan Cook
October 22: Valerie Engeltjes
October 29: Rod Van Abbema
November 5: Bob Kleinheksel

Closing Remarks

Kent Dobson

Affirmation

One: At the end of the day
All: it isn't where I came from.

Upcoming Musicians

October 15: Deep Greens and Blues
October 22: Olivia Mainville and Brandon
Schreiber
October 29: Karisa Sprite Quartet
November 5: Jordan Hamilton

One: Maybe home is somewhere I'm going
All: and have never been before.

--Warsan Shire

Upcoming C3 Kids' Time

October 15: Kathy Tosa
October 22: John Soukup
October 29: Cindy Dobrez
November 5: TBA

Closing Music

Truth Son

The Way Down
Wanderers

Upcoming Readers

October 15: Bill Weideman
October 22: Keith Paluska
October 29: Marlene Sonderfan
November 5: Sandy Kate Stephens

Upcoming Meditations

October 15: Margaret Willey
October 22: TBA
October 29: David Lewis
November 5: Rod Van Abbema

Upcoming C3 Kids Volunteers

October 15: Shannon McMaster
October 22: TBA
October 29: Cheryl Van Abbema
November 5: TBA

Music News

Please join us in welcoming The Way Down Wanderers to C3! Equal parts fast-paced and soulful, this 5-piece modern folk Americana act, has been playing, performing, and writing together for just 3 short years. The Wanderers have built an enthusiastic and fast-growing following. The band's debut, self-titled album, produced by Mike Marsh of The Avett Brothers and recorded at Sonic Ranch in El Paso, TX is available in the lobby today! Stop by the musicians' table to chat with the band and pick up your copy.

NEXT WEEK: Deep Greens and Blues!

C3 Vision: *C3-West Michigan's Inclusive Spiritual Connection is a vibrant, values-based Community in an evolving world that inspires and empowers members in their quest to live a good life. We, in turn, engage and support others in the work for justice and compassion everywhere.*

C3 Mission: to enrich and empower the lives of all people in body, mind, and spirit.

Our Community evolves and grows by:

Welcoming all who share our vision, regardless of their path through life;
Encouraging and supporting the exchange of ideas as a means of personal growth;
Taking responsibility for our actions in the Community and the world;
Accepting one another unconditionally;
Participating in the life of the Community;
Honoring the dignity of every individual;
Promoting ourselves and our mission, vision, and values
through selected media and through our activities in our local communities.

We engage the greater community by:

- Participating in social justice programs, projects, and education;
- Supporting programs and initiatives to create diverse, integrated communities;
- Encouraging civil discourse and learning with interested citizens on issues of importance for the local communities;
- Acting to ensure a sustainable natural and social environment, and;
- Asserting that our common humanity is more important than any individual differences.

C3 Values: These values guide us, and challenge us to define and live a good life. We value and celebrate:

- COMMON HUMANITY. We respect the dignity and worth of every individual.
- DIVERSITY. We affirm all people and embrace all genders, sexual orientations, and ethnicities.
- OPEN INQUIRY. We pursue the free exchange of ideas, explore the lessons of science, philosophy, and the creative arts, and undertake independent spiritual journeys.
- COMPASSIONATE ACTION. We strive to safeguard and extend human rights, peace, and social justice, locally and globally, as individuals and jointly with others.
- CARE FOR THE EARTH. We care for our Earth home with mindfulness and responsibility for ourselves and for future generations.
- WELL-BEING. We promote wholeness and wellness of mind, body, and spirit, recognizing our self responsibility, interrelatedness, and interdependence.

Let's be in touch!

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