

9 a.m. **Pre-Talk** 10 a.m. **Gathering** 10 a.m. **C3 Kids** with **Miss Mary** and volunteer **Patti Baldus**

11 a.m. Talk Back

Blue Team Hosts:

Mark & Kathy Smith, Cheryl Van Abbema, Tom Edwards & Annie Wassmann Blue Team Ushers: Kim Crozier, Karen Frederiksen, Phil Leech, Beth Buelow Welcome Table: Dick Kamischke

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C3 Board of Trustees Chair: Sally Alderink Vice-Chair: Teresa Colbry Secretary: Valerie

Next Week: Gold Team

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Treasurer: Shannon

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Beth Buelow, Andy Cawthon, Kim Crozier, Tom Edwards, Kathy Humphrey, Wayne Johnson, and Rod Van Abbema

Speaker:
Nelleke Knarr
Musician:
Matt Gabriel
Meditation:

Leslie Newman Gathering Host: Beth Buelow Kids' Volunteer: Sally Alderink



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Sunday, May 14, 2023 Transcend and Include: Part One

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Speaker: Kent Dobson has been the lead teacher at C3 since 2017. He's also in the guide-in-training program at Animas Valley Institute in Colorado, an organization specializing in wilderness intensives. Kent leads Israel study tours, wilderness retreats, and has his own podcast called *Hints and Guesses*. He's the author of *Bitten by a Camel*, a memoir about his time living in Israel and his departure from the evangelical church he was pastoring.

Musician: Loren Johnson of Grand Rapids has released several discs: *Sleepsick* in 2016, which rose to iTunes Top 10 best new singer-songwriter releases; *Into the Morning,* released just as the pandemic lockdown happened; a single, *Patterns,* in 2021; and a new single, *Winter,* released in January 2023. Her vision is to be creative with the people she loves in the places she adores, and have a good time doing it.

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Meditation: Nelleke Knarr

Moment of Silence

Reading/Teaching: Kent Dobson

We need to have greater patience with our sense of inner contradictions in order to allow its different dimensions to come into conversation within us. There is a secret light and vital energy in contradiction. Where there is energy there is life and growth. Your ascetic solitude will allow your contradictions to emerge with clarity and force. If you remain faithful to this energy, you will gradually come to participate in harmony that lies deeper than contradiction. This will give you new courage to engage depth, danger, and darkness of your life.

- John O'Donohue, Anam Cara: A Book of Celtic Wisdom

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Evening Fun Time - Tonight!

This is the Sunday for our social event in the lower level of Central Park Place! See you there at **6:00 for food, music, and great times**. If you're able, please bring an appetizer or something sweet to eat—finger foods! BYOB! Prepare for some toe-tapping music from Funky Brewster and a chance to explore the space while having a good time with other C3ers!

Good News

Our members with mobility issues are able to use the downstairs entrance and the elevator, so feel free to park on the north side of Central Park Place if you need handicap parking and access. Our Welcome Host will continue to be available at the front door to help also.

Our community conversation will continue. Please share any urgent concerns with our liaisons Teresa Colbry or Kim Crozier (not directly with Life Church members).

C3 Kids

Our C3 Kids occupy the space in the Mackinaw Room that has been partitioned off, and sometimes we will hear their voices. Let's welcome that indication of their presence with us and let it be part of our meditation. Note: If you must leave during the Gathering, exit through the door to the kitchen, and please refrain from exiting during the Meditation and Moment of Silence

Week 3@C3

Our May project honors the women and their children housed at the Residential Crisis Center at Every Woman's Place in Muskegon. Please bring kitchen and bathroom cleaning supplies-liquids, powders, bars, sprays. Paper items are NOT needed. Please consider ecologically-friendly items. And since Mother's Day falls in May, please come with at least one package or box of individually wrapped sweets or otherwise tasty treats or snackssomething that would be considered special and thoughtful for these moms and kids. Remaining collection dates are today and next Sunday, May 21.

List of C3 "Longhaulers"

Earlier this year, Ellie Williams asked long-time C3 members to identify themselves, and during the last Gathering in April, the list of those members who responded and acknowledged how long they have been affiliated with C3 (or its predecessors) was distributed. That list is also available on the Membership table. Please let Ellie know if you should be added to this list, and include the year your affiliation with C3 began.

Grand Haven Pride Festival

Grand Haven will celebrate its first Pride Festival from 12 - 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 10. The event will feature various shows, food trucks and vendors. C3 has been asked to handle children's activities. If you can volunteer for an hour or two, please contact Jane Curtis at 248-376-7532.

Garage Sale

There have been rumors about a potential C3 Community garage sale this summer, but there is no official plan in the works for that to happen. However, the Board of Trustees encourages members and friends to organize their own sales with the proceeds benefiting C3's 2023 \$50K fundraising target.

Vigil for Peace and Justice

Our Vigil for Peace and Justice continues to be represented by a few stalwarts each Saturday from noon -1 p.m. along Washington Avenue at Central Park in Grand Haven. Newcomers are encouraged to join! We have lots of sign to choose from, or just stand in solidarity (or bring a chair to sit)! Contact Chrys Moelter-Gray (cgmgray@mac.com) for more information.

Sunday Dinner Group-not this week! Please note that tonight's Social

Event will take the place of Sunday Dinner Group!

C3 Men's Club meets each Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on Harbor Drive in Grand Haven.

C3 Book Club and Friends We meet on Tuesday this week at 6:30 p.m. at The Bookman to talk about The Virgil Wander by Leif Enger. Join us! Then put Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell on your reading list and mark the calendar for Tuesday, June 20!

Community Care and Concern

- -Bill Klouw thanks the C3 Community for the large outpouring of kind thoughts, words, and cards in memory of Kathy Klouw.
- -Pam Park is looking for recommendations for someone to do light housekeeping once every two weeks. She would prefer a one or two-person service to a large cleaning company. Text her at 616-834-7461 with suggestions.
- -Jeanne Shell wrote: A huge and sincere thank you for all the cards, calls, thoughts and prayers that you extended my way during this very difficult event in my life. I'm still in the process of recovery but will be back in Michigan around the first of May to finish up that process with family around.