

9 a.m. **Pre-Talk + Awakenings** 11 a.m. **Talk Back**

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Gold Team Hosts:
Jenny Roberts & Bob
Bureigh, Patti Baldus, Joyce
& Andy Cawthon, Char Zoet
Gold Team Ushers: Rod &
Cheryl Van Abbema, Martha

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Welcome Table: Shannon McMaster Next Week: Green Team

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

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Treasurer: Shannon

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

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Next Week!

Speaker:

Kent Dobson Musicians:

Ruth and Max Bloomquist

Meditation:

Bob Kleinheksel *Gathering Host:*

Rod Van Abbema

Kids' Volunteer:

Sandy Kate Stephens



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Sunday, May 21, 2023

Transcend and Include: The Space Between

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Speaker: C3 member Nelleke Knarr has a rich and diverse spiritual background, with roots in Catholicism, New Age, New Thought, and feminist spirituality. Her perspective is strongly informed by her training and work as a musician, music teacher, and music therapist. She draws inspiration from nature, poetry, and relationships.

Musician: Matt Gabriel is a singer/songwriter who has spent over a decade writing and performing music around the country—the quality of folk and blues you would expect from an artist who grew up between Chicago and Detroit. He has played for us several times.

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Music: Matt Gabriel

Gathering Host: Beth Buelow

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Meditation: Leslie Newman

Moment of Silence

Reading/Teaching: Nelleke Knarr

I know this house, and this horizon, and this world I have made. I know this silence and the particular treasures and terrors of this belonging.

but I cannot know the world to which I am going.
I have only this breath and this presence for my wings and they carry me in my body whatever I do from one hushed moment to another. I know my innocence and I know my unknowing, but for all my successes I go through life like a blind child who cannot see, arms outstretched trying to put together a world. And the world works on my behalf catching me in its arms when I go too far. I don't know what I could have done to have earned such faith

....When one thing dies all things die together, and must live again in a different way, when one thing is missing everything is missing, and must be found again in a new whole

and everything wants to be complete, everything wants to go home.

- David Whyte, What I Must Tell Myself

The stairs are your mentor of things to come, the doors have always been there to frighten you and invite you, and the tiny speaker in the phone is your dream-ladder to divinity.

-David Whyte, Everything Is Waiting for You

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News from the BOT: Team Formed to Fill New Position

At the April 10 Board of Trustees meeting, the Transition Team—Teresa Colbry, Bob Kleinheksel, and Shannon McMaster—presented their recommendations based on answering the question: "What will C3 look like in one year?" The first step they recommend C3 take is to hire an Executive Director.

In the short-term, hiring an Executive Director will help with securing our gathering space and the search for a new Lead Teacher. Long-term, this person will support the sustainability and growth of our community by working with the board and volunteers on fundraising, marketing, outreach, and membership activities.

Kathy Humphrey will lead the Executive Director Search Team, which includes Teresa Colbry, Beth Buelow, Jeff Crandle, Wayne Johnson, and Dick Kamischke. Kim Crozier will serve as needed. They will implement the hiring plan with the goal of bringing recommendations to the Board in three months or less. At that time, they may present candidates and/or propose hiring a consulting firm.

If you would like to know more about the Executive Director position or would like to recommend a possible candidate, please contact any member of the committee.

Evening Fun Time - A Success!

More than 60 C3ers gathered in the Escanaba Room last Sunday evening to enjoy food, music from Funky Brewster, a chance to complete a survey, and celebrate our sense of community! Thanks to all who attended and shared their impressions. These will guide the BOT and Task Force as we explore our future options.

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*

Last Day for Week 3@C3

Today is the final collection date for our May project, which 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 snacks—something that would be considered special and thoughtful for these moms and kids.

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 or Sarah Jacobs at 517-449-5108.

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 signs to choose from, or just stand or sit in solidarity. Contact Chrys Moelter-Gray (cgmgray@mac.com) for more information.

Sunday Dinner Group

We'll be back at the Kirby at 5:30 this evening. Please sign up at the Membership Table before leaving today!

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

Our June 20 meeting focuses on *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell. Meet at The Bookman at 6 p.m. We're reading *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down: A Hmong Child, Her American Doctors, and the Collision of Two Cultures* by Anne Fadiman for July 18.

Information for C3 Matters - C3 Update

Information to be included either here in C3 Matters or in the email newsletter C3 Update is normally sent to Chrys Moelter-Gray, cgmgray@mac.com.
For the weeks of June 4 and 11, please send all announcements to Office Manager Becky Park, frontdesk@c3westmichigan.org and Annie Wassman, wassmann@wassmanndesign.com