



9 a.m. **Pre-Talk & Awakenings**
 10 a.m. **Gathering**
 10 a.m. **C3 Kids** with **Miss Mary** and volunteer **Sandy Kate Stephens**
 11 a.m. **Talk Back**

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Red Team Hosts: **Yvonne Olmsted, Skip & Mary Ackerson, Sarah Jacobs, Char Zoet**

Red Team Ushers:
Tom Webber, Joyce & Andy Cawthon

Welcome Table:
Jeff Crandle
Next Week: **White Team**

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C3 Board of Trustees
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Next Week!
Speaker: **Brie Stoner**
Musicians: **Genna & Jesse**
Meditation:
Leslie Newman
Gathering Host:
Nelleke Knarr
Kids' Volunteer:
Sally Alderink



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Sunday, August 13, 2023
We Have Questions: How Do We Speak with the Dead?

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Speaker: **Greg Rappleye** is a graduate of Albion College, the U of M Law School, and has an MFA in Creative Writing from Warren Wilson College in Asheville, North Carolina. He has taught for more than 20 years in the English Department at Hope College, and from 1991-2017, he was Corporation Counsel of Ottawa County, Michigan . His published works include *Figured Dark: Poems* (Arkansas Poetry Award) and *A Path Between Houses* (Brittingham Prize in Poetry). His most current project is *Barley Child*, which is awaiting publication.

Musicians: **Annagail (Jennifer and Jared Adams)** has always defied and stretched genres, equal parts singer/songwriters and rock band. Thinking man's Americana. Pop for philosophers? Country for the curious? Rock for the recluse? Whatever you call them, Annagail weave heartache and hope for the disillusioned.

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 Music: Annagail
 Gathering Host: **David Dean**
 Music: **Annagail**
 Meditation: **Rod Van Abbema**
Moment of Silence
 Reading/Teaching: **Greg Rappleye**

"...[A] fellow is more afraid of the trouble he might have than he ever is of the trouble he's got. He'll cling to trouble he's used to before he'll risk a change. Yes, a man will talk about how he'd like to escape from living folks. But it's the dead ones that lay quiet in one place and don't try to hold him, that he can't escape from."
 —William Faulkner, *Light in August*

"Are ye of the living or of the dead?"
 —West Irish response to an unexpected knock at the door

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Guest Teachers and Beyond

Kent was a guest teacher long before he became our lead teacher. Maybe there's someone you know who could follow his footsteps. Or maybe the person could speak yearly or perhaps become a core teacher. Regardless of what might happen with any particular person, right now, we're looking for many guest teachers in the upcoming months. That's where you come in. If you have ideas of people who would be a good fit as a guest teacher, please send an email to: GuestTeacherNames@c3westmichigan.org with as much information as you can about the person. Thank you so much!



New C3 Logo T-Shirts

Find **Teresa Colbry** after the Gathering, she will be taking orders for new C3 logo t-shirts! Teresa has color mock ups and T-shirt sample sizes. The cost of the shirts is \$15, and a pre-payment by cash or check is required to order one. If you are planning to wear the new t-shirt for the Heritage Fiesta you will need to order your t-shirt ASAP.

Claude's Farewell

The Board of Trustees and the C3 Kids Committee would like to acknowledge Claude McMasters' graduation and express our appreciation of his contributions for our Sunday Gatherings. Claude will attend Grand Valley in the fall. If you have not already made a contribution to Claude's graduation, and would like to do so at C3, look for a decorated box with Claude's name on it at the sound table. The box will be there for the next three Sundays! Good luck, Claude!

Board of Trustees Election Nomination Period

The nomination period for Board of Trustee candidates is now open and runs through October 1. Anyone interested in running for office should contact a current board member. Please encourage other potential candidates to apply.

C3 Summer Fundraiser Update

Gordy Alderink, **John Leitner**, **Ira Engeltjes**, and **Andy Cawthon** have been pedaling to up the ante, while **Chrys Moelter-Gray** has added a few more swims in Lake Michigan, all to raise funds for C3. You are encouraged to sponsor any of these C3ers with a pledge! They will continue pedaling and dipping until Sunday, September 17, and will report totals and dollars shortly after that.

Week 3@C3 in August

We're collecting Back-to-School items based for the Muskegon Heights Public School Academy system. You may bring items from the list to C3 **today and next Sunday, August 20**. List: Copy paper - 8 1/2" x 11" white; Sanitizer wipes - Clorox brand suggested; Kleenex or other similar brand tissues; multiple boxes; Standard, spiral-bound notebooks - wide ruled (important!); Pocket folders; colorful; Pencils - #2 Ticonderoga brand (specifically for testing); Pink Pearl erasers; Crayola wax crayons: 24-ct boxes; individual boxes or packs of six or more; Colored pencils - for students (not adult type); Scotch tape - replacement rolls for dispensers or regular filled plastic dispensers; Lysol scented sprays. Please note specifics, as other item types may not be useful in the classroom. Or consider sending a check made out to "C3-Back to School Project." Mail to Week 3 @ C3, P.O. Box 371, Grand Haven, MI 49417, and we will shop for you.

Grand Haven Hispanic Heritage Fiesta

Mark **September 16, 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.** on your calendar as the date for this year's Hispanic Heritage Fiesta! C3 is a sponsor and on the planning team. This event honors our Hispanic community with music, dance, a Mercado (marketplace), kids' activities, food, and more. *Please contact **Rod Van Abbema** if you have a canopy that C3 could use for our booth at the Fiesta on September 16.*

Fall Adopt-A-Highway Date

Another important date to set aside is the morning of September 30. Our fall Adopt-A-Highway cleanup has been scheduled for that Saturday. (Rain date is Sunday, October 1, after the Gathering).

Sunday Dinner Group

We're meeting again at **William Ferry Park in Ferrysburg at 5:30** today, repeating our "Bring Your Own Picnic" (or grab some take-out food on the way).

C3 Men's Club

C3 Men's Group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at the American Legion Hall on Harbor Drive.

C3 Book Club and Friends

We'll see you this Tuesday, August 15, at The Bookman to discuss *On Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande. September 19: *The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row*, Anthony Ray Hinton.

Vigil for Peace and Justice

The Vigil for Peace and Justice continues every Saturday from noon to 1 p.m., along Washington Avenue at Central Park.

Community Care and Concern

Contact: **Cheryl Van Abbema**, 616-402-3108; **Mike and Charlotte Rozich**, 517-918-5483 or 517-918-5464.

Cyndi Casemier's mother, **Carolyn Casemier-Rotz**, passed away on July 23. The obituary may be read on Cyndi's Facebook page. A Celebration of Life will be held September 2, 4 to 7 p.m. at Klaasen's Funeral Home. Cards may be sent to Cyndi at 13489 Redbird Lane, Grand Haven, MI 49417.

Carolyn DeVries wishes to thank all for the kindness and thoughtfulness shown during her recovery from a fall. She is currently continuing recovery at home.

Hank & Karen Nash have moved to Washington state, north of Seattle, to live closer to family. Karen reports "a plethora of liberal churches out here." They have asked to share their new contact information with C3 friends. Address: 15932 Village Green Drive, Unit D, Mill Creek, WA 98012.