



Sunday, October 27, 2024
What the World Needs Now: Play

9 a.m. **Pre-Talk**
10 a.m. **Gathering**
10 a.m. **C3 Kids** with
Miss Mary and volunteer
Patti Baldus
11:00 a.m. **Talk Back**

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Gold Team Hosts: **Betty Porter, Jenny Roberts & Bob Burleigh, Jean Regester**

Gold Team Ushers:
Rod & Cheryl Van Abbema, Martha Perko, Cheri Eshenaur
Welcome Table: **Ellie Williams**
Next Week: **Green Team**

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C3 Board of Trustees:
Chair: **Teresa Colbry**
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Secretary: **Beth Buelow**

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Next Week –
Community Celebration!
Teacher: **Brad Ruggles**
Musicians: **Grace Theisen (w/ Carolyn Koebel)**
Meditation: **Bob Kleinheksel**
Gathering Host: **Bob Kleinheksel**
Kids' Volunteer: **Charity McMaster**



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Core Teacher: **Beth Buelow** (she/her) has been part of the C3 Community since March 2018 and has loved every minute of it. She's a business owner; leadership, team, and mentor coach; author, speaker, and mediator, and she has added photographer to the list of ways she wants to be known in the world.

Musicians: **Stanley & Quiggle** (Owen & Jamie, he/him for both) are an indie-folk duo from Big Rapids, who were connected by music in their late high school years and paired up to embark on this journey. With their vocals and a variety of instruments, they create an atmosphere filled with strong emotion and wonder. Having the rest of their lives to make music, the two hope to make an impact and have stories to tell along the way.

Music: **Stanley & Quiggle**

Gathering Host: **Chrys Moelter-Gray**

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Meditation: **Karri Absenger**

Moment of Silence
Readings/Teaching: **Beth Buelow**

Play is the mediator of the invisible and visible.
- Dora M. Kalff, Jungian therapist

The creation of something new is not accomplished by the intellect but by the play instinct.
- Carl Jung

Ritual grew up in sacred play; poetry was born in play and nourished on play; music and dancing were pure play....
We have to conclude, therefore, that civilization is, in its earliest phases, played. It does not come from play...it arises in and as play, and never leaves it.
- Johan Huizinga, Dutch historian

Play is training for the unexpected.
- Marc Bekoff, American biologist

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Gratitude for a Special Weekend

We're so grateful for everyone that helped make last weekend so incredible, especially: **Don & Cindy Anderson, Becky Park, Karen Cotton, Teresa Colbry, Tom Edwards, Annie Wassman, Kathy Humphrey, Beth Buelow, Kerry Fitzgerald** and **The Bookman**. Thank you to those above and everyone who poured so much time into this event. I am so humbled and honored to be a part of this amazing community! – **Brad Ruggles, Lead Teacher**

C3 Community Annual Meeting

As you know, our annual meeting will be on Sunday, November 3. It's an important time for our community to conduct business such as electing new Board of Trustee members, budget adoption, and honoring one of our members with the Philip J. Koster Award for Meritorious Service. We have a slate of three candidates for the Board, **Teresa Colbry** and **Kim Crozier** (both currently serving) and **Bill Haug**. Please thank retiring Board of Trustees members **Beth Buelow, Cheri Eshenaur, and Rod Van Abbema** for their time and effort in service to the C3 community. Be sure to be there! A potluck follows the meeting. Please note: If your last name begins with . . .

A - I: bring a main dish;

J - P: bring a side dish;

Q - Z: bring a dessert.

Table ware and beverages will be provided. It will be fun!

Ushers Needed

We are a volunteer-led community and we need ushers. Requirements: capacity to smile, say hello and hand a bulletin to folks as they come to Gathering. Reward: seeing lots of smiles and hearing lots of friendly hellos once every five weeks! Talk to Rod Van Abbema or email him at rodvanbbema@gmail.com.

Sunday Dinner Group

Sign up at the Welcome table to go to Ted's at 5:30 p.m.

Women's Journey

Our next meeting is tomorrow evening, Monday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. at The Bookman.

C3 Men's Club

This men's conversation group meets each Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Room B at St. John's Episcopal Church. Call Phil Koster, 616-492-1751 with questions.

Vigil for Peace and Justice

Join us Saturdays from noon to 1 p.m. along Washington Avenue at Central Park.

C3 Book Club and Friends

C3 and Friends Book Club will meet at the Bookman at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, at the Bookman to discuss *My Beloved World* by Sonia Sotomayor.

Honor and Memorial Giving Program

Honor or remember a loved one while making a meaningful impact through C3's Honor and Memorial Giving Program. Whether celebrating someone special or cherishing a memory, your gift supports our community's work. Cards are available at the Membership Table, and with your permission, we'll recognize these contributions in our newsletter (names only, no amounts). Your generosity helps sustain our mission—thank you for being an essential part of C3!

Your ongoing support of C3 is greatly appreciated. Automatic donations can be set up by contacting Carol Takas, 616-613-3222, at Selby Accounting. Checks should be sent to C3 Spiritual Community, P. O. Box 371, Grand Haven, MI 49417. C3 is a 501(c)(3) Tax-Exempt Organization. Our tax ID is 38-1960212.

Community Care and Concern

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

Our beloved long-time member **Connie Farell** died peacefully on Friday evening, October 4. Arrangements will be by Klassen Funeral Home and Connie's sons.

Susan Meeusen underwent aortic valve replacement surgery early last week. She is doing well at home. Cards may be sent to 99 W. 27th Street, Holland, MI 49423.

Please keep **Yvonne and Ron Olmsted** in your hearts as they celebrate the memory of their extended family member, Tammra Lynn McConnell.