

The Benediction

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The first Sunday of each month:

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Communion with music

All other Sundays:

8:00 am Holy Communion
with inclusive language

10:30 am Holy Communion
with music

Refreshments and fellowship follow
each service.

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Dear Friends:

These are difficult and perplexing times. Since the last newsletter we have seen storm, fire, and flood to an unprecedented extent. None of us is untouched by the disasters that have happened to our neighbors across the country, or across the world. None of us is untouched by the lack of courtesy and the abusive relationships among the cultural and political leaders of our day. It is as though we have woken up to find all the furniture so rearranged that we hardly recognize our home.

It is easy to be downhearted. It is easy to wonder whether we can still believe in God as we have understood her. And maybe we can't.

Historically, faith has flourished in times like these. Yet, for many of us, to be faithful and faith-filled requires us to expand and change our ideas of God and the way God works among us. We have an opportunity to do so in the next couple of months.

As the year comes to a close, our Gospel readings focus on the need for us to be prepared for the coming of the Christ. This is not the Christ incarnating in the stable in Bethlehem, but the Cosmic Christ; Christ manifest in and through the whole of Creation who is yet greater than Creation. Christ who in the last days will bring all things into perfection – will make all things as they should be. For me, seeing the Cosmic Christ balances the domesticated “what a friend I have in Jesus” God who looks out for me and hates my enemies, and provides a new lens for understanding the Godhead.



As I understand it, God works in and through disaster, personal, political or national; God does not prevent it yet God is infinitely loving and concerned about the life of each one of us, whatever our religion, ideology or politics. The Christ who inhabits the cosmos (the heavens) is working with humanity and every part of the created universe to bring us into perfect relationship with the divine. We can choose to co-operate or not.

Our exploration of the Cosmic Christ is not intended to bring some new dogma into our lives but to open our hearts and minds to God in a new way so that we may be encouraged. When we can place the story of our lives into the much greater narrative of the cosmos perhaps we can get a greater sense of proportion on those things which loom so large for us.

I salute each one of you who is pondering your own relationship with the divine. We are blessed by being a community where there are many different understandings. There is freedom for us to explore, to abandon old ideas and to stay in the “beginners mind” of not-knowing. I share my explorations with you from the pulpit and I always welcome opportunities to hear yours.

Christmas is coming. The Christ is being born in human flesh. God is coming among us. God is come among us. We are no longer children and Santa Claus is not real. But the loving ever-present God, she is indeed real. Let us pray for the eyes to see her in all her manifestations.

With love, Caro+

Rev. Caroline J. A. Hall

30th anniversary thank yous

A big thank you to everyone who made our 30th Anniversary party such fun. Thanks to Esta Kandarian for overall organization; Anne Kanter, Barbara Schippers and Pamela Bleisch for the food; Danna Dykstra-Coy and Stef Shuman for putting together the photos and Alek and his band for the music. It was a great evening!

And a special thank you to Karen O'Grady for the generous gift of a permanent display giving a little of the history of the chapel and its being moved. This will be mounted on the wall between the bathrooms.

Five-year mission plan

Thanks to the hard work of several Parish Council members, mainly Pamela, Barbara, Esta and for a while Rod, the draft five-year mission plan is complete. This plan outlines our core values and our goals in mission and ministry for the next five years. Together with the facilities plan we completed earlier in the year, when approved it will provide the framework for our decision making as we move forward.

We will be providing everyone with a copy after Christmas (it will be on the website before then) and asking you to respond to it as part of our annual Mutual Ministry Review. Your responses will be considered and any necessary changes made before the Annual Parish Meeting on January 28. Then we will discuss it and hopefully adopt the plan at that meeting.

Stewardship

We are now in Pledge Drive season. Unlike KCBX and other NPR stations we won't be asking you constantly to give money to St Benedict's. Since giving is an important part of our spiritual life we don't need to beg each other to give to the work of the faith community. However, it is helpful for our budgeting process to have giving commitments for the coming year. We don't want to make promises to ourselves or those who serve us that we cannot keep. Commitment Sunday will be November 19. Prior to that you will receive a letter from Senior Warden, Anne Kanter and one from the Rector to encourage your discernment process, as you prayerfully consider your commitment to St Benedict's in 2018. Commitments range from \$10 to \$10,000. We are grateful for those who can make larger gifts but encourage everyone to make a commitment to giving a part of your regular spiritual practice. Please put your commitment for next year on the pledge card that you will receive and bring it to church on November 19 for Commitment Sunday.

We started 2017 with a budget that committed to paying the Rector three-quarters time. We have been very blessed with gifts and with income from the Abundance Shop, and it looks as though we will end the year in the black, Praise God!

Last month we held our very first recognition event for St Benedict's Benefactors, who have remembered St Ben's in their estate planning or who have made major gifts. Thanks to Anne Kanter and Barbara Schippers for the great food and Anneka Scranton for her hospitality.

Giving through Amazon and Ralphs

These are two easy ways to give to St Ben's.

When you want to shop on Amazon please go to our website first: www.stbenslososos.org. You need to click on the More tab, then Support Us. You will see an Amazon graphic – click on that and everything you buy will contribute to St Bens. Just a few extra clicks can bring in quite a bit of cash. (If you can't see the graphic you may have pop-ups disabled.) This is a much better way than using Amazon Smiles, because we get a much bigger cut. Of course, Amazon wants you to use Amazon Smiles, but don't be fooled – go to the St. Ben's website first every time.

Next time you shop in Ralphs, make sure your receipt mentions St Benedict's on the bottom line. If it doesn't then you need to register your card to make contributions to St Ben's. This has to be redone every September.

Go to Ralphs.com. If you already have an account, sign in. Got to My Account (this is hard to find but its hidden under the little figure in the top right corner where it says "Hi Joe!") At the bottom of the My Account page edit your community contribution. St Benedict's number is 83646. If you don't have an account yet you'll need to set one up. Lisa or Caro+ can help you if this proves tricky.

Sprinkler System

We have all the bids in for the fire sprinkler system, except for PG&E who are looking at the cost of supplying the extra power that would be needed to start up the pump in the event of a fire. Since we hope not to use the extra power they will not recoup any costs through supplying electricity which puts up the cost of the installation. Once we have that final figure we expect to be able to give our contractor the go ahead, since the total cost will be in the \$140,000 range. We have been given two generous gifts totaling \$110,000 for this project and many smaller ones. If necessary, we will borrow the shortfall from ourselves and plan to repay it just as we would a loan over the next few years. It may still be many months before this project is complete.

Endowment Fund Update

Don Shields

During the spring of 2016 the Vestry authorized the creation of an Endowment Fund for St. Benedict's. The Vestry appointed an endowment committee and tasked them to prepare suitable instructions for managing the Fund. These instructions were approved by the Vestry in early summer of 2016. As is the rule with most endowment funds, only the income and capital gains can be withdrawn, the principal (deposits into the fund) remaining untouched.

The Endowment Committee has full authority over the financial management of the Fund. There are two separate aspects of this financial management. First, the committee is charged with investing all monies received into the Fund. Rather than being involved in investing in various stocks and bonds to create growth of the Fund, the Endowment Committee with the blessing of the Vestry opted to utilize the investment services provided through The Episcopal Church Foundation. The ECF utilizes State Street Global Advisors to actively manage the investment of the funds.

Second, the Endowment Committee will respond to Vestry requests for money to support church endeavors outside of the operating budget. As an example, if the Church has created a designated fund for Christian Education, the Fund could help fund someone wanting to take the Education For Ministry program, or assist people to attend the annual parish retreat. Designated or Restricted Funds must first be established by the Vestry in order for this to work. Because all Designated or Restricted Funds are not supported equally by donations throughout the year the Endowment Fund could be used to help even things out as need arises.

There is another major function that has been tasked to the Endowment Committee. The Committee is responsible for ensuring the development of a comprehensive planned giving program to encourage persons, trusts and estates to consider making gifts, grants, bequests, or other legacy gifts to St. Benedict's. There is no easy way to fulfill this requirement. Everyone's financial status is different, and there are so many different ways to make gifts to the church as well as to the Endowment Fund. Cash, Real Estate, Bequests, and Life Insurance are just some that come to mind. The Endowment Committee is working on ways to present planned giving to everyone.

In January of this year the Church provided initial funding for the Endowment Fund in the amount of \$10,000. So far this year the Fund has increased in value over \$600 that may be used to support established programs.

Deacon Dispatch

Rev. Sharon G. Dalrymple

Shelley recently shared a You Tube video with me that a friend of hers had posted on Facebook. I had gotten tired of hearing her read me bad news, so I thought this was more of the same. Social media has a

tendency to spread the negative. They say bad news sells. But, this video offered hope. It was so powerful that it made me cry.

What you see on screen in the video is a Trump rally with a vast number of white people. On stage is a white man dressed in an American flag shirt, and he has a microphone and is addressing the crowd. Then you see, marching toward this crowd, a group of black people with their fists in the air, and they are wearing t-shirts that read “Black Lives Matter”. I held my breath because I thought that a riot was imminent.

Instead the leader of the rally invites the leader of the black group on stage to speak because he wants to show that their group is patriotic and believes in freedom of speech. The black man accepts the invitation, takes the microphone and says that often black people don’t get justice citing a case where a white cop unnecessarily chokes the life out of a black man. This prompts many boos from the crowd, a number of whom raise their own fists and shout angry words. The black leader says they are not against cops, **just bad cops!** He continues saying that all they want white people to know is that black lives *do* matter. But, one white person in the crowd shouts “All lives matter!” The black man agrees wholeheartedly! All lives do matter.

He goes on to say that his group just wants to make the point that they are Americans too, and they just want “Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness”—the same rights as everyone else here in our country.

At this point you can begin to feel the mood of the crowd change.

I can write all day about this, but I cannot express what the video does. I cannot show you the pictures or tell you the rest of the dialogue—all the things that will impact your heart. I ask you to type in your browser “black man invited to speak at pro Trump rally”, and watch this incredible example of communication—people speaking and people actually *LISTENING*. Then you witness how lives can be changed.

In Matthew’s Gospel reading from last Sunday we are asked to first love God and then to love our neighbor as ourselves, or as John’s Gospel reads, love one another as God loves us. Of course we will have our differences, but it is up to us to do our best to understand each other, *LISTEN* and be open to change. I have found, to my great surprise, that I am NOT always right. (Imagine that!) So, this is how we make changes in our world. One small step for man just may turn the tide of anger, hate and intolerance and become one giant leap for mankind! Let’s go forth into the world and give it a try.

Quilting

The St Benedict’s Quilting Group has been busy! This fall, we donated three beautiful quilts, along with seven fabric “kits”, to Lutheran World Service. LWS sends quilts to people in need throughout the world, and sends fabric, thread, and binding to community centers that teach people how to sew. Pamela and Tim boxed up these donations and drove them to Southern California, where every fall Lutheran Social Services has an “Ingathering” of quilts and donations for Lutheran World Relief. Our donations will be sent to the central warehouse, and then shipped to where they are most needed.



Abundance Shop Report

Francis F. Rivinus

During September, the Abundance Shop accepted a trainee from Transitions to work with us for a week along with his mentor, so he could gain experience in an actual shop. Depending of the experience of the trainee, a week with the shop will provide work sorting, putting stock into inventory, culling old inventory for redistribution either to the dollar tent or to other thrift stores, cleaning and organizing and other jobs that are part of the day to day functioning of the shop. We have found our relationship with Transitions to be a win-win for both parties.

In the latter part of September, the shop ordered a shed which will stand in place of our tent during this coming winter. While waiting for the shed to arrive, a platform had to be constructed to provide a dry surface for the shed to sit on and a secure structure on which to anchor it. A small group of volunteers including Steve Cake and Don Shields as well as the trainee from Transitions addressed the task of assembling the material, constructing the platform and maneuvering it into place. This task was completed just in time for the shed's arrival at which point the (larger) task of erecting the shed was addressed. This called for additional manpower resources and eventually included Ken Leonard and Ted Wise in addition to Steve and Don. The shed is now complete and ready for service just ahead of first significant rain predicted for the coming rainy season.

Recently there was a working meeting to which all shop volunteers were invited to discuss what is working well and what needs to be improved. The discussions were open and several very good suggestions for operational improvements were made. The shop is a living organization and needs to adapt to changing conditions as well as improve the processes we use. The candid, thoughtful input from all the volunteers is a key to assuring a positive way forward.

Abundance Shop sales revenues remained good throughout the summer and by the end of the third quarter, the shop's revenues were strong enough to support both the purchase of the shed and an increase in the donation to St. Benedict's from \$7,000 to \$8,000 bringing shop donations for the first three quarters to a total of \$24,000 while preserving healthy reserves. During October, shop revenues strengthened significantly and have averaged above \$340 per day.

St. Ben's Parish Administrator Wins Photography Awards

St. Benedict's Parish Administrator, Danna Dykstra-Coy, has won some recent awards for her photography. In October, she won two awards in the 2017 SLO New Times Winning Images contest, which were published in New Times and The Sun in Santa Barbara County and featured in a gallery display at the San Luis Obispo Museum of Arts.

Danna won 2nd place in the Seascape/Landscape category for her image, "The Race," of two sailboats lined up for a race outside Morro Bay, and 3rd place for "The Dandelion" in the Flora category.

Danna also won 1st Place in a annual



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state competition for ocean and coastal photography sponsored by the California Coastal Commission. Her winning image of the Polar Bear Dip at the Cayucos Pier was chosen from among more than 1,000 entries.

In September, Danna's image of Green Valley/Highway 46 West in Spring was among five images representing San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara County's 35th District that won a contest sponsored by Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham to hang in California's state capitol. And, look for her image of Morro Bay in the 2018 PG&E calendar.

"My photographs are an outpouring of gratitude to this beautiful place we

call home, and to those who have worked hard to protect and preserve it for future generations," said Danna.

Visit her website at www.DannaJoyImages.com and her Facebook business page www.Facebook.com/DannaJoyImages to see more of her work. Congratulations, Danna!



Warming Center...Volunteers needed!

As we are closing in on the winter season of in-climate weather, we are in need of volunteers for a Warming Center, which will include several venues, including St. Benedict's. The need would be for people to volunteer for several shifts to include: set-up, being on site to monitor the homeless visitors during the night, and cleanup at the end. There is also a potential need for funds to allow for a Security service to be on site and for preparation of a light meal for the visitors who attend at the beginning of the evening. There could also be a need for funding for the rental of rooms/space for alternative venues in case all nights of the week can't be covered by other entities. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and contact me if you are willing to work one of the needed shifts. Thank-you in advance for your consideration of this compassionate outreach. Contact Jim Arnold, Deacon in training, (805)-459-5923, jimarnold100@gmail.com

Hot Beverages in November for Prado

Alice Welchert

St. Benedict's Oktoberfest in-gathering of healthful beverages was a great success! You *filled* the donation boxes with juice and non-perishable milks. Many thanks to all who contributed. These gifts provide our neighbors at the Day Center with some nourishment at the start of difficult days. Special thanks go to Laura and Ron Thomspson for delivering the juices - it was, literally, a heavy lift!

November weather is significantly colder than October's heat wave. Our in-gathering emphasis will be on warm breakfast beverages -- coffee, tea, hot chocolate and items that go with them such as sugar packages, sugar-substitutes, non-perishable creamers, and insulated cups.

As always, donations such as warm socks, hygiene items, detergent, instant hot cereal, and backpacks in good condition are most welcome.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cosmic Christ are based on the long tradition of the Stations of the Cross which were originally intended to be a way in which those who could not visit Jerusalem could nonetheless take a mini-pilgrimage along the path that Jesus walked from the Roman headquarters to Golgotha.

Many churches have a set of stations which they keep on their walls year round. St. Benedict's has never had its own set of images but has chosen to use copies or make them ourselves.

Now we are commissioning our own Stations from local sculptor, Chloe A. White. A small group of artists and theologians from the congregation has gathered to work with her in conceptualizing what will be a unique work of art. This is a small working group but if the Stations are particularly important to you and you would like to be involved please talk to Caro+. We imagine that once they are created they will be displayed during Lent each year.

Our thanks go to the Hirahara family who are gifting us with these sculptures in memory of Barbara's brother, Bill.



For the Interim Time

When near the end of day, life has drained
Out of light, and it is too soon
For the mind of night to have darkened things,

No place looks like itself, loss of outline
Makes everything look strangely in-between,
Unsure of what has been, or what might come.

In this wan light, even trees seem groundless.
In a while it will be night, but nothing
Here seems to believe the relief of darkness.

You are in this time of the interim
Where everything seems withheld.

The path you took to get here has washed out;
The way forward is still concealed from you.

"The old is not old enough to have died away;
The new is still too young to be born."

You cannot lay claim to anything;
In this place of dusk,
Your eyes are blurred;
And there is no mirror.

Everyone else has lost sight of your heart
And you can see nowhere to put your trust;
You know you have to make your own way through.

As far as you can, hold your confidence.
Do not allow confusion to squander
This call which is loosening
Your roots in false ground,
That you might come free
From all you have outgrown.

What is being transfigured here in your mind,
And it is difficult and slow to become new.
The more faithfully you can endure here,
The more refined your heart will become
For your arrival in the new dawn.

From: "To Bless the Space Between Us" by John O'Donohue, 2008, Doubleday publisher.

Does this poem "For the Interim Time" speak to your heart and soul? It seems that many of us are in the "interim time". If you would like to join with others in a similar place, supporting each other through conversation and prayer, please let Caro+ know and we'll see what format and time present themselves.

What are the Stations of the Cosmic Christ?

Rev. Barry Turner

Many are familiar with the devotions named the Stations of the Cross. "Walking the Stations" is likened to making a mini-pilgrimage with Jesus on the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem, believed to be the actual path he walked to Mt. Calvary. They are a powerful expression revealed in the passion of Jesus of God's self-giving love.

But what comes to mind when you hear the title, "*the Christ?*" We associate it with Jesus as we know him from the Gospels and often we've narrowed it down to a last name for Jesus, as St. Paul says, "*from a human point of view.*" Yet, after the profound transformation of the resurrection, Paul says, "*we know him no longer in that way*" (2 Cor. 5:16).

The Stations of the Cosmic Christ are abstract clay sculptures from the imagination of two artists depicting events and sayings in the life of Jesus as we hear of them in the Gospel of John. Of all the gospels, John develops an image of "*the Christ*" (the Word) in a much larger dimension: Christ, who "*in the beginning ... was with God*" and through whom "*all things were made*" (John 1:1-2).



From this post resurrection perspective, the Stations of the Cosmic Christ invite us to rediscover “*the Christ*” in creation, in you and me. The name *Cosmic Christ* simply refers to Christ in all the cosmos, in galaxies, stars, planet Earth, in you and me, in all life and even every stone. “*The Cosmic Christ*,” opens our eyes to God incarnate in all the world; the whole universe is sacred. Creation Spirituality seeks to restore our ancient understanding shared with all spiritual traditions of the divine, to change the way we perceive the world in order to change the way we relate to the world.

There is more to ponder in these 16 Stations than one can absorb in a brief “walk through.” It may help to focus on just a few that attract your attention. Come see the Stations on your own or come for one of the Quiet Days. Read the meditations by Matthew Fox and Bp. Marc Andrus in the book *Stations of the Cosmic Christ*, available on the side altar for brief reflection

or to purchase. Join the Hollister study on the Cosmic Christ. Let these 3-dimensional images focus your meditation and awaken your imagination.

Stations of the Cosmic Christ: Schedule of Events*

October 20 - January 31, 2018

You are invited to experience a new contemplative practice, a mini meditation pilgrimage created by spiritual theologian Matthew Fox. From Oct. 20 – January 31, St. Benedict’s will host a display of these 16 stations, clay sculptures by artists M. C. Richards and Javier Lemus depicting the 7 “*I am’s*” and the 9 events in the life of Jesus that are cosmic based including the Nativity, Baptism, Transfiguration, Pentecost, etc.

Public Viewing:

Tues, Wed, Thurs: 10 am - Noon,
 Saturday: 10 am - 2 pm (except 11-25, 12-2 & 12-23)
 Sunday: Noon - 2 pm
 and by appointment

Saturday Quiet Day Presentations:

Nov. 18 & Jan. 13 – 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Talks by Spiritual Theologian Matthew Fox at St. Benedict’s

Friday, Dec. 1, 7 pm: “*Creation Spirituality and the Future of the Planet*”, admission \$25

Saturday Workshop, Dec. 2, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm: “*Mystics, Prophets and the Making of Spiritual Warriors*” – admission \$40 (or \$60 for Fri. & Sat. together)

Sunday, Dec. 3; preacher for the First Sunday of Advent, 10:30 am

Purchase tickets online at www.stbenslososos.org or call: 805-528-0654
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Stations of the Cosmic Christ is also the subject of this season’s Hollister Institute Discussion. For details and dates see *Hollister Institute* later in this issue of the Benediction.

EVENT!

Matthew Fox holds a doctorate in spirituality from the Institut Catholique de Paris and has authored 32 books on spirituality and contemporary culture that have been translated into 60 languages. Fox has devoted 45 years to developing and teaching the tradition of Creation Spirituality and in doing so has reinvented forms of education and worship. His work is inclusive of today's science and world spiritual traditions and has awakened millions to the much-neglected earth-based mystical tradition of the West. He has helped to rediscover Hildegard of Bingen, Meister Eckhart, Thomas Aquinas. Among his books are *Original Blessing*, *The Coming of the Cosmic Christ*, *The Reinvention of Work*, *A Spirituality Named Compassion* and *Meister Eckhart: A Mystic-Warrior for Our Times*.



Upcoming Events

Father John Dear, November 16 and 17

International lecturer, author, and long-time peace activist, Father John Dear will be in SLO County November 16 and 17. Archbishop Tutu has said, "John Dear is the embodiment of a peacemaker....He believes peace is not something static, but rather to make peace is to be engaged, mind, body, and spirit. He is a man who has the courage of his convictions and who speaks out and acts against war, the manufacture of weapons, and any situation where a human being might be at risk through violence." (continued on the next page...)

Father John will speak at **St Timothy's in Morro Bay on November 16 at 7pm** and again at **St Stephen's Episcopal Church in San Luis Obispo at noon on Friday November 17**, at a brown bag lunch presented by People of Faith for Justice. Both events are free and open to the public.

Thanksgiving

As always, we will celebrate Thanksgiving at the church with dinner at 1pm. You are welcome to come and bring family and/or friends. Please plan to bring a dish if you can, please come even if you can't. Look for the signup sheet. Who wants to cook the turkey this year???

Christmas plans

It's a tradition. St Benedicts Singers will perform a wonderful Christmas Carol Concert on Saturday December 16th at 3pm in the church. Please come early to get a seat and bring your friends and neighbors. This is a community event.

Christmas Eve is on a Sunday this year and so our services will be a little different from usual. The 8am will be a normal contemplative Eucharist but the 10:30 will be a service of lessons and carols with no communion. There will be a 4:30 service of carols and communion which will include a baptism and then at 7:45 we'll sing carols before the 8pm Festival Eucharist. We'll round out the evening with sherry and mince pies. On Christmas Day, there will be a quiet service at 10am followed by brunch.

Hollister Institute

The Coming of the Cosmic Christ

Please join us for this four Thursday class, starting Thursday, November 9 at 10am. The class is based on Matthew Fox's book *The Coming of the Cosmic Christ* and it will enhance your learning if you read it, but it's not required! The sessions will be led alternately by Caro+ and Barry+.

Nov. 9, 10am - Cosmic Christ in Scripture

Using *lectio divina* as well as other traditional bible study methods, we will contemplate and study some of the texts which speak of the Cosmic Christ.

Nov. 16, 10am - Cosmic Christ in Science

We have a new Cosmic Creation Story. We will look at the parallels between the new cosmology and the tradition of the Cosmic Christ. *"Religion today is finally ready to befriend the wisdom of science. And science is regaining the humility to recognize the intuitions and metaphors of religion. They are two paths trying honestly to name our experience"* – R. Rohr. We will offer a showing of the Journey of the Universe at a time convenient for those interested.

Nov. 30, 10am - Cosmic Christ in Tradition

The Cosmic Christ is not a new idea in Christian thinking, rather one that has been eclipsed by modern thought. In this class we'll explore some of the theology that points to the Cosmic Christ and the importance of its rediscovery today.

Dec. 7, 10am - Cosmic Christ in Mystical Experience

What is Creation Spirituality? Matthew Fox says it is the gift of an awakened Mysticism, described by Einstein as *"standing rapt in awe."* We will explore the Four Paths of Creation Spirituality as described by Fox in his book, Creation Spirituality.



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