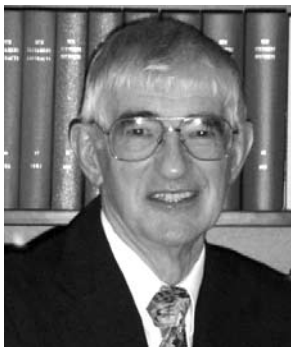
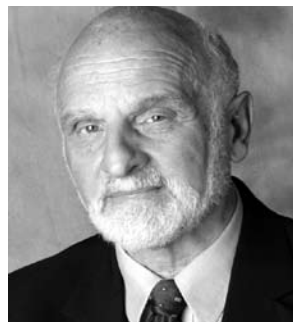




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Karen Armstrong

Karen Armstrong is one of the most provocative, original and inclusive thinkers on the role of religion in the modern world. A former Roman Catholic nun and instructor at London's prestigious Leo Baeck College for the Training of Rabbis, Armstrong is

*author of the international best seller, *The History of God* and played a key role in Bill Moyers's popular PBS series on religion. She also wrote *The Gospel According to Woman*; *Holy War*; *Muhammad*; *The Battle for God: Fundamentalism in Judaism, Christianity and Islam*; *Islam: A Short History*; *Jerusalem: One City, Three Faiths*; and, *Buddha*.*

Compact Disc Recordings

The Spiral Staircase: My Climb Out of Darkness

March 19, 2004

In this evening lecture Karen Armstrong presents her the story of her faith journey from her beginnings as a young Roman Catholic nun to her life today as one of the most provocative, original and inclusive thinkers on the role of religion in the modern world.

Lecture: \$10.00 KA004

The Battle for God

April 4 & 5, 2003

A weekend presentation on fundamentalism in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

Lecture: \$10.00 KA002, Workshop \$30 KA003

Fundamentalism and the Religion of Compassion

February 24, 2001

An evening lecture on the development and character of fundamentalism and the importance of developing a heart of compassion on our faith journey.

Lecture: \$10.00 KA001



Marcus Borg

*Marcus Borg, the Hunderd distinguished Professor of Religion and culture at OSU, is internationally know for his work on the historical Jesus and the developing Christian tradition. He is author of the bestselling *Meeting Jesus Again for the First**

Time. His most recent books includes, *The Heart of Christianity* and *The Last Week; A Day-by-Day Account of Jesus' Final Week in Jerusalem*.

Compact Disc Recordings

Jesus: Uncovering the Life, Teaching & Relevance of a Religious Revolutionary

February 16 & 17, 2007

How are we to respond to the Biblical call to "do justice" in our modern world? Do we follow Caesar or Christ? Borg explores these questions and others in this series of lectures on the Biblical understanding of God's justice.

Lecture: \$10.00 MBoo7, Workshop: \$30 MBoo8

The Last Week: A Day-by-Day Account of Jesus' Final Week in Jerusalem

April 15, 2006

Using the gospel of Mark as a guide, Marcus Borg presents a day-by-day account of Jesus' final week, from his entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday through the events that led to his arrest and execution. Borg also reflects on the significance of Holy Saturday and the world shattering event of resurrection in this weekend workshop.

Workshop: \$20 MBoo6

Evening Lecture: Christ and Culture Today: A Tale of Two Cities

March 28, 2003

Saturday Workshop: Doing Justice Today: Locally, Nationally, Globally

March 29, 2003

How are we to respond to the Biblical call to "do justice" in our modern world? Do we follow Caesar or Christ? Borg explores these questions and others in this series of lectures on the Biblical understanding of God's justice.

Lecture: \$10.00 MBoo4, Workshop: \$30 MBoo5

The Heart of Christianity

October 24, 2003

What does it mean to be Christian in our time? A portrait of Christianity as metaphor and sacrament of God, and of the personal and political transformation at the center of the Christian life. This evening lecture premiered Dr. Borg's new book, *The Heart of Christianity*.

Lecture: \$10.00 MBoo3

Evening Lecture: Seeing the Bible Again: What's at Stake?

Saturday Workshop: Seeing the Bible Again: Applications

February 2 & 3, 2001

A presentation on the different lenses we use to view Biblical stories and the role these lenses play in shaping our understanding of Scripture, God and our relationship to both.

Lecture: \$10.00 MBoo1, Workshop: \$30 MBoo2

Center Public Lectures



Marcus Borg & Kathleen Dean Moore

Marcus Borg is joined by Kathleen Dean Moore Distinguished Professor of Philosophy at Oregon State University. She is best known for her award-winning books about the cultural and spiritual values of water and wild places: *Riverwalking: Reflections on Moving Water*; *Holdfast: At home in the Natural World*; and *The Pine Island Paradox: Making Connection in a Disconnected World*.



Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *Birdsong and the Secular Sacred*
Kathleen Dean Moore

Saturday Workshop: *The Moral Significance of Wonder*
Marcus Borg & Kathleen Dean Moore
October, 21 & 22, 2005

Borg and Moore continue the conversation begun at Oregon State University's Fall 2004 national forum, "Nature and The Sacred: A Fierce Green Fire."

Lecture: \$10.00 BDM001, Workshop \$30 BDM002



Huston Smith

Huston Smith is the Thomas J. Watson Professor of Religion and Distinguished Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, Emeritus, Syracuse University. For fifteen years he was Professor of Philosophy at M.I.T., and a decade earlier he taught at Washington

University in Saint Louis. Most recently he has served as Visiting Professor of Religious Studies, University of California, Berkeley. Smith has received twelve honorary degrees, and authored fourteen books including: *The World's Religions* and, *Why Religion Matters*.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *The Promise and Peril in Islam's Relations with Judaism and Christianity*
Saturday Workshop: *The Most Important Things to Understand About Religion*
October 31 & November 1, 2003
Lecture: \$10.00 HS001, Workshop \$30 HS002



Huston Smith & Marcus Borg



Huston Smith and Marcus Borg have joined together in a series of conversations at The Center over the past four years on their similar and differing views of the nature of God, Christianity and the place of justice and non-violent resistance in Christianity and other wisdom traditions. Their conversation has given us a peek at the evolving theology of a great wisdom teacher and historical Jesus scholar.

The complete Huston Smith/Marcus Borg series is available for the discounted rate of \$80 for all lecture and workshop presentations.

Complete Series: \$80.00 SB007

Compact Disc Recordings - Series

Evening Lecture: *The Heart & Soul of Christianity*
Saturday Workshop: *Justice & Nonviolence in the Wisdom Traditions*
March 17 & 18, 2006

This is the third lecture weekend at The Center with Huston Smith and Marcus Borg. Friday evening's lecture explores their decades' long dialogue on what is at stake when we attempt to construct a world-view in response to Ultimate Reality. In the Saturday workshop, Huston Smith and Marcus Borg discuss the place of justice and non-violent resistance in Christianity and other wisdom traditions.

Lecture: \$10.00 SB001, Workshop \$30 SB002

What is the Heart of Christianity

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop
February 12 & 13, 2004

For over twenty years Marcus Borg and Huston Smith have been close friends and lively sparring partners. This event features their ongoing debate over the nature of God and individual experience of the presence of God.

Lecture: \$10.00 SB003, Workshop \$30 SB004

Evening Lecture: *God: Real and Personal?*
Saturday Workshop: *On Being Christian in the 21st Century*
February 15 & 16, 2002

In Huston Smith and Marcus Borg's first conversation at The Center they explore the nature of our relationship with God - real and personal and what it means for being Christian in the 21st Century.

Lecture: \$10.00 SB005, Workshop \$30 SB006

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Walter Brueggemann

Walter Brueggemann is Professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia. He is author of many books including: *The Word That Redescribes the World: The Bible and Discipleship*, *The Prophetic Imagination*, and *Inscribing the Texts: Sermons and Prayers of Walter Brueggemann*. His primary interest is the interpretation of Scripture for preaching and understanding Christian faith. For Brueggemann, faith is grounded in Scripture that transforms human life through the telling of stories, in vivid images and analogies, stirring the human imagination to receive the word of God.

Evening Lecture: ***A Remembered Beauty***
Saturday Workshop: ***More on Beauty & Violence***
October 13 & 14, 2006

In his first evening lecture and Saturday workshop at The Center, Walter Brueggemann considers biblical traditions that ponder God's gift of beauty, and the ways in which violence defeats beauty. Brueggemann also explores ways our contemporary world is sated with violence and how communities of faith may continue to bear witness to the gift of beauty.

Lecture: \$10.00 WBoo1, Workshop \$30 WBoo2



Sr. Joan D. Chittister, O.S.B.

Joan D. Chittister, a Benedictine Sister of Erie, is a best-selling author and a well-known international lecturer. She is founder and executive director of *Benetvision: A*

Resource and Research Center for Contemporary Spirituality, and past president of the *Conference of American Benedictine Prioreesses and the Leadership Conference of Women*. Her many books include, *Scarred by Struggle*, *Transformed by Hope* and *Called to Question: A Spiritual Memoir*.

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture: ***Women, Power & Religion***
June 17, 2005

At the culmination of the three day Summer Seminar - *Mysticism, Empowerment & Resistance*, Sr. Joan Chittister gave a Friday evening lecture on women and their place in the world of religion and politics. According to Sr. Joan, "What the world needs now, respects now, demands now, understands now, is not poverty, chastity and obedience. It is generous justice, reckless love and limitless listening."

Lecture: \$10.00 JC001

Evening Lecture: ***Theology, Ecology and Feminism: In Conjunction or in Conflict?***

Saturday Workshop: ***The Seven Mountains of the Spiritual Life & Spirituality and Culture***

October 20 & 21, 2000

In the evening lecture presentation Sr. Joan Chittister challenges traditional Christian teachings on the stewardship of the earth and the role of women in the church. The Saturday workshop is a presentation on seven mountains from the Bible and their suggestion of different moments on the faith journey.

Lecture: \$10.00 JC002, Workshop \$30 JC003



John Dominic Crossan

John Dominic Crossan is a leading biblical scholar, internationally known lecturer and best selling author. He has appeared on NBC's "Dateline," Peter Jennings' *Specials* on *Jesus and Paul*, and NPR's "Fresh Air." He is sought after by the media for his opinion on religious issues of the day and is author of numerous books including his most recent, *Excavating Jesus: Beneath the Stones, Behind the Texts*, and *In Search of Paul: How Jesus' Apostle Opposed Rome's Empire with God's Kingdom*.

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Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

The Contemporary challenge of Celtic Christianity, or Whom Did the Irish Save and From What?

March 16 & 17, 2007

Using images from Celtic Christian churches and ruins in Ireland, noted Biblical scholar John Dominic Crossan gives a lecture and workshop presentation on the development of Christianity in Ireland, a parallel development to Roman Christianity and the importance of Celtic Christianity for the church today. Please note: these recordings make many references to slide images shown at the events.

Lecture: \$10.00 DC004, Workshop \$30 DC005

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

The World, Life, Theology & Legacy of Paul

February 4 & 5, 2005

Of the New Testament's 27 books, 13 are attributed to Paul and another one, Luke's Acts of the Apostles, is primarily about him. This totality presents us with a conflicting complex of three different Paul's: one radical, one liberal and one conservative. Which one is the historical Paul? Are those other alternatives simply pseudo-Pauline, post-Pauline or anti-Pauline? In this evening lecture and Saturday workshop John Dominic Crossan presents his latest research on the world, life, theology and legacy of Paul.

Lecture: \$10.00 DC001, Workshop \$30 DC002

Center Public Lectures

Evening Lecture: *Memory and the Resurrection of Jesus*
September 15, 2000

An evening presentation on the role memory played in the development of the written stories on Jesus' life and 1st Century understanding of the "final" resurrection.

Lecture: \$10.00 DC003



John Dominic Crossan & Jonathan Reed



Jonathan Reed is professor of New Testament and Christian Origins at University of La Verne, California and co-author of *Excavating Jesus: Beneath the Stones, Behind the Texts*, and *In Search of Paul: How Jesus' Apostle Opposed Rome's Empire with God's Kingdom*.

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

In Search of Paul: How Jesus' Apostle Opposed Rome's Empire with God's Kingdom

December 3 & 4, 2004

Did Paul invent Christianity? Using new historical analysis and the latest archaeological discoveries, one of the world's eminent historical Jesus scholars and a top Biblical archaeologist present the most recent discoveries about the Apostle Paul. In this lecture and workshop, Crossan and Reed discuss how Paul thought of himself as the thoroughly Jewish champion of the Jesus movement that expected the world to end imminently. They discuss how Paul, like Jesus, focused on championing the kingdom of God, a world of justice and equality, against the dominant powers of the Roman world.

Lecture: \$10.00 CR001, Workshop: \$30.00 CR002

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

Excavating Jesus: Beneath the Stones, Behind the Texts - Archeology and Incarnation

November 30 & December 1, 2001

Jonathan Reed, a leading Galilean field archeologist and John Dominic Crossan a renowned historical Jesus scholar, discover the same Jesus at the bedrock of their research. They are coauthors of *Excavating Jesus: Beneath the Stones, Behind the Texts*.

Lecture: \$10.00 CR003, Workshop: \$30.00 CR004



James Finley

James Finley is a former monk at the Abbey of Gethsemani in Kentucky where Thomas Merton was his spiritual director. He is author of "Merton's Palace of Nowhere", "The Contemplative Heart" and "Christian Meditation: Experiencing the Presence of God". A clinical psychologist in private practice, he has given silent retreats throughout the United States and Canada.

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

Gospel Metaphors for the Contemplative Life

May 18 & 19, 2007

James Finley returns to The Center for his third presentation of contemplative practices that nurture our heart. Friday's lecture is on gospel metaphors for the contemplative life, Saturday's contemplative practice day uses the story of the woman at the well as a guide with led contemplative practice sessions. CD time includes presentations, silent meditation and discussions.

Lecture: \$10.00 JFoo1, Workshop: \$30.00 JFoo2

Evening Lecture: *The Teachings of Meister Eckhart*

Saturday Workshop: *Letting Go: Turning to Meister Eckhart as Guide in Contemplative Living*

May 12 & 13, 2006

In this presentation James Finley introduces the spiritual principles that guide all of Eckhart's teachings on the mysterious process in which we awaken to the Godly nature of life itself. The Saturday workshop is a one day retreat utilizing Eckhart's teachings on self-transformation. CD time includes presentations, silent meditation and discussions.

Lecture: \$10.00 JFoo3, Workshop: \$30.00 JFoo4

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

Christian Meditation: Experiencing the Presence of God

November 12 & 13, 2004

At the evening lecture, James Finley explores the rich mystical heritage of the Christian faith, emphasizing the Christian mystics' understanding of meditation, a way of awakening to Christ's awareness of God's presence in our lives. Saturday's workshop is a one-day silent retreat exploring themes of traditional Christian meditation, supportive foundations for a life of deep meditation and prayer, learning to live in a monastery without walls. CD time includes presentations, silent meditation and discussions.

Lecture: \$10.00 JFoo5, Workshop: \$30.00 JFoo6

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The Rev. Dr. James Forbes, Jr.

The Rev. Dr. James A. Forbes, Jr. is the fifth senior minister and first African-American to serve The Riverside Church, one of the largest inter-denominational and

interracial congregations in the nation. Forbes is an ordained minister in the American Baptist Church, has served as professor of preaching at Union Theological Seminary, and is a member of Auburn Seminary's core teaching staff. Forbes is a community activist, interfaith leader, published author and conference leader for the National Council of Churches.

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture: ***For the Healing of the Nation - Let Justice Roll***

Saturday Workshop: ***Teaching Moments in History***

February 24 & 25, 2006

Lecture: \$10.00 RJF001, Workshop: \$30.00 RJF002

A Passion for Justice: Reflections and Imperatives

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

March 15 & 16, 2002

In his first lecture weekend at The Center, Rev. Dr. Forbes shares the insight he has gained on his faith journey and what is required for Christians to walk a just path.

Lecture: \$10.00 RJF003, Workshop: \$30.00 RJF004



The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori

Katharine Jefferts Schori is the first woman presiding Bishop in the 2.4 million member Episcopal Church, breaking a

500 year gender barrier. She is one of the most visible women in Christianity today. Newsweek named her "one of the ten people to watch in 2007." A Stanford graduate, Schori received her PhD in Oceanography from Oregon State University taught at OSU in the religious studies department, became ordained priest in 1994 and served a parish in Corvallis, she received a doctorate from Church Divinity School of the Pacific in 2001, and served as Bishop of Nevada. Author of "A Wing and a Prayer," she is grace under pressure, a woman for our time, one who can bridge the conversation between science and religion, tradition and contemporary concerns.

Compact Disc & DVD Recordings

Evening Lecture: ***The Dream of Shalom***

Saturday Workshop: ***Conversion, Mission & Evangelism***

April 20 & 21, 2007

CD's: Lecture: \$10.00 KS001, Workshop: \$30.00 KS002

DVD's: Lecture: \$20.00 KS003, Workshop: \$40.00 KS004



The Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson

The Rt. Rev. V. Gene Robinson, an openly gay priest in a committed relationship, was elected the Ninth Episcopal Bishop of

New Hampshire by overwhelming majority in 2004. This election sparked a controversy in the American and international Anglican Church that continues today. Meet the man, hear his thoughts, experience his passion about the call of the church today to a ministry of compassion and inclusion, reclaiming the Good News of Jesus for all.

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture: ***On the Road to Heaven***

May 2, 2007

Lecture: \$10.00 GR001



Barbara Brown Taylor

Barbara Brown Taylor is an Episcopal priest, a popular speaker and workshop leader, and one of the "twelve most

*effective preachers in the English language," according to Baylor University. Ordained in 1983, Taylor served urban and rural parishes in Georgia for fifteen years before assuming her current post as Harry R. Butman Professor of Religion and Philosophy at Piedmont College in Demorest, Georgia. In recent years, she has lectured on preaching at Yale, Princeton, and Duke Universities, and has preached at churches throughout the country. Taylor is author of ten books, including *The Preaching Life* and *Leaving Church: A Memoir*.*

Compact Disc Recordings

Evening Lecture: ***Faith on the Edge***

April 21, 2006

American Christianity is suffering an identity crisis. New scholarship, neighbors and attitudes toward human sexuality have all posed major challenges to traditional Christian self-understanding. Does the way forward lead back to the center, where we may re-commit ourselves to the core articles of our faith, or does it lead to the very edges, where we may be called to re-invent ourselves in order to love as we are loved by God? Barbara Brown Taylor presents her thoughts on living a "Faith on the Edge."

Lecture: \$10.00 BBT001

Evening Lecture: ***Recovering the Mystical Dimension of Faith***

Saturday Workshop: ***Embodied Holiness***

December 5 & 6, 2003

The American church seems preoccupied with the institutional and intellectual dimensions of faith. In this lecture, Taylor, an elegant thinker and speaker, calls us to a "prophetic mysticism."

Center Public Lectures

In Saturday's workshop: "Embodied Holiness", Rev. Taylor examines ways that the body and its senses have been dropped out of many forms of Christian spirituality and how much we have to gain by recovering an incarnate approach to God.

Lecture: \$10.00 BBT002, Workshop: \$30.00 BBT003



Ali Asani

Born in Nairobi, Kenya, Ali S. Asani is currently Professor of the Practice of Indo-Muslim Languages and Culture at Harvard University. He is author of several books and articles and recipient of several grants and awards.

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Evening Lecture: **Knowing One Another: A Muslim American Reflects on Pluralism & Islam**

Saturday Workshop: **What is Islam? Who is a Muslim? A Framework for Understanding Muslim Expressions of Faith**

November 14 & 15, 2003

Ali Asani presents the many ways in which Islam is understood and practiced. The focus will be on the role that diverse cultural traditions play in expressions of devotional life in Muslim societies.

Lecture: \$10.00 AA001, Workshop: \$30.00 AA002



Diana Butler Bass

Diana Butler Bass holds a Ph.D in American religious history from Duke University. She is senior research fellow and director of the Project on Congregations of Intentional Practice, a Lilly Endowment-funded research study of vital mainline Protestant churches at the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia.

She is author of "Strength for the Journey: A Pilgrimage of Faith in Community," and "The Practicing Congregation: Imagining a New Old Church".

Butler Bass cont.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: **Faithful but Not Fundamentalist: Christianity for the Rest of Us**

Saturday Workshop: **The Three "R's" of Vital Christianity: Retraditioning, Reframing, and Reimagining**

February 10 & 11, 2006

The conventional wisdom about mainline Protestantism maintains that it is a dying tradition, irrelevant to a postmodern society, unresponsive to change, and increasingly disconnected from its core faith tenets. Dr. Bass' lecture and workshop at The Center explores the voices, vision, and practices of an emerging mainline spirituality in the Christian church and its potential impact on political life.

In the Saturday workshop she examines the ideas of tradition, story-telling, and imagination as important spiritual practices for vital congregations and Christian leadership. Both events will draw from her research project on vital liberal congregations, a three-year study, funded by the Lilly Endowment, completed in December 2006.

Lecture: \$10.00 DBoo1, Workshop: \$30.00 DBoo2



The Rev. Dr. William Sloane Coffin

William Sloan Coffin served for eighteen years a chaplain of Yale University, was senior minister of Riverside church, and was president emeritus of SANE/FREEZE: Campaign for Global Security.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: **For the World to Survive: Re-examining Public Policy**

Saturday Workshop: **Musings on Mortality with Bill and Randy Wilson-Coffin**

May 3 & 4, 2002

In the evening lecture Rev. Dr. Sloane Coffin presents his view of the current public policy challenges before our nation. The workshop focuses on death from a Christian point of view (what precedes it, what follows it), reflections on ethical elder hood and musing on the Book of Job, all from a contemporary point of view.

Lecture: \$10.00 WSC001, Workshop: \$30.00 WSC002



John B. Cobb, Jr.

John B. Cobb, Jr., is professor emeritus of Theology at Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University and co-founder and co-director of the Center for Process Studies. Cobb is the author of numerous books and articles, including

Christ in a Pluralistic Age, and most recently, *Postmodernism and Public Policy*.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: **Theology for the Progressive Church**

Saturday Workshop: **Process Theology**

November 17 & 18, 2006

Noted process theologian, John B. Cobb, Jr. gives a Friday evening lecture and Saturday workshop on process theology, the work of Alfred North Whitehead, and the contribution of this work to progressive Christianity and the church today.

Lecture: \$10.00 JBC001, Workshop: \$30.00 JBC002



Esther deWaal

Esther de Waal is a foremost scholar in the Benedictine and Celtic traditions and has published extensively in both fields. After studying and teaching history at Cambridge University, she married, had four

sons, and moved to Canterbury, where she lived in a house that had been part of the medieval monastic community. She leads

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retreats, lectures, and travels widely. Her many books include: *The Celtic Way of Prayer* and *To Pause at the Threshold*.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *A New Look at Merton*

Saturday Workshop: *Monasticism: A Living Tradition*

March 2 & 3, 2007

In the evening lecture, Esther de Waal explores the life and work of Trappist monk Thomas Merton, reflecting on both her study of his works and her personal relationship with this well-known teacher and writer. In the workshop, Esther de Waal explores three concepts in the monastic tradition: stability - from the Benedictine tradition, silence - from the Cistercian tradition, and praise - from the Cyriac tradition and demonstrates how each can deepen and give traction to our spiritual life.

Lecture: \$10.00 EDW001, Workshop: \$30.00 EDW002



Diana L. Eck

Diana L. Eck is Professor of Comparative Religion and Indian Studies at Harvard University and Director of the Pluralism Project. In 1996 she was appointed to a U.S. State Department Advisory Committee on Religious Freedom Abroad. In 1998,

President Clinton awarded her the National Humanities Medal for the work of the Pluralism Project in the investigation of America's religious diversity. She is author of *Encountering God: A Spiritual Journey from Bozeman to Benares* and *A New Religious America: How a Christian Country has become the most Religiously Diverse Nation*.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *The Challenge of a New Religious America*

Saturday Workshop: *Christians and the Encounter with Buddhists, Hindus and Muslims*

October 19 & 20, 2001

Lecture: \$10.00 DE001, Workshop: \$30.00 DE002



The Rev. Dr. Tilden Edwards

The Rev. Dr. Tilden Edwards is founder and Senior Fellow of Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation, Bethesda, Maryland and was Executive Director of Shalem from its independent foundation in 1979 until 2000. He is author or editor of seven

books: "Spiritual Director," "Spiritual Companion," and "Living in the Presence," as well as articles in many journals.

Compact Disc Recording

Living with the Mind in the Heart: Contemplative Gifts for Self and Society & Buddhist Contributions to Christian Living

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

January 21 & 22, 2005

Living with the mind in the heart is advocated by Christ and the

great contemplatives and mystics of Christian and other traditions. What difference does this realization of our deep identity in God make to the way we see and act in the world? What is the place of spiritual practice and community in cultivating such a contemplative orientation? The evening lecture addresses these questions, and includes a brief guided meditation to help us taste first hand what it is to live with the mind in the heart.

How can we remain more fully in the ever-fresh present moment, grounded deeper than our confused surface egos in a liberating divine Presence? In the Saturday workshop Rev. Edwards will introduce some Buddhist traditions that Christians have found helpful through some interpretation of the Buddhist-Christian connection and guided experiential meditation.

Lecture: \$10.00 TE001, Workshop: \$30.00 TE002



Kabir Helminski

Kabir Helminski is a founder and director of the Threshold Society, and has worked in the Mevlevi tradition of Sufism for over twenty years. He is author/translator of three books of Sufi poetry,

and has collaborated on two collections. His new collection of essays, "The Knowing Heart," was published by Shambhala in August 1999.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

At The Heart of Sufism

October 22 & 23, 2004

At the heart of Sufism is a radical, universal, unifying message. More than ever, the world is in need of Friends and Lovers of God. In this lecture and workshop Sufi teacher Kabir Helminski helps us awaken our awareness of Divine nearness. Both the lecture and workshop include Sufi chanting by Camile Helminski.

Lecture: \$10.00 KH001, Workshop: \$30.00 KH002



The Most Rev. Richard F. Holloway

One of the most outspoken and best-loved figures in the modern church, Richard Holloway recently

stood down as the Bishop of Edinburgh but remains Gresham Professor of Divinity in the City of London and a Fellow of the Royal Society. He has written for many newspapers in Britain including *The Times*, *The Guardian*, *Sunday Herald* and *The Scotsman* and last Autumn presented his own series on BBC Television. He is author of 23 books including "Doubts and Loves."

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *The Wound of Religion*

Saturday Workshop: *Jesus, Prophet of Resistance and Transformation*

March 30 & 31, 2001

Lecture: \$10.00 RH001, Workshop: \$30.00 RH002

Center Public Lectures



Dr. Charles Kimball

Dr. Charles Kimball is professor of religion and chair of the Department of Religion at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He has made more than 35 visits to the Middle East and is a frequent lecturer and expert analyst on

issues related to the Middle East, Islam, and the intersection of religion and politics. He is author of three books including Religion, Politics and Oil: The Volatile Mix in the Middle East.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***When Religion Becomes Evil***

Saturday Workshop: ***Claiming the Promises of God: Obstacles and Opportunities for the Children of Abraham***

November 15 & 16, 2004

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Rabbi Lawrence Kushner

Rabbi Lawrence Kushner is a brilliant storyteller and public speaker. He was a featured speaker at God at 2000, a nationally broadcast symposium. He is also the Emanu-El Scholar, in-residence at The Congregation Emanu-El of San Francisco.

Kushner is widely regarded as one of the most creative religious writers in America. His acclaimed books include God Was in This Place & I, I Did Not Know; Honey from the Rock; and, The River of Light, and a book with David Mamet titled Five Cities of Refuge: Weekly Reflections on Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***Invisible Lines of Connection: When God Makes a Surprise Appearance in Ordinary Events***

Saturday Workshop: ***The Jewish Mystical Imagination: A Study of Classical and Modern Kabbalistic Texts on Creation, Revelation and Redemption***

May 14 & 15, 2004

Lecture: \$10.00 LK001, Workshop: \$30.00 LK002



Belden Lane

Belden C. Lane is Professor of Theological Studies at Saint Louis University in Saint Louis, Missouri, a Jesuit University. He is author of many books including "The Solace of Fierce Landscapes: Exploring Desert and Mountain Spirituality." and

"Landscapes of the Sacred: Geography and Narrative in American Spirituality."

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***Finding the Center: Approaches to the Study of Sacred Place***

Saturday Workshop: ***Desert Spirituality: The Solace of Fierce Landscapes***

January 13 & 14, 2006

Lecture: \$10.00 BL001, Workshop: \$30.00 BL002



The Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr.

The Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr. is highly acclaimed for his involvement in the 1950's and 60's with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and has been described

as the architect of the nonviolent direct action strategy of the civil rights movement in the 1960's.

Compact Disc Recording

The Terrible Alternative to Justice & Nonviolence

Evening Lecture

November 18, 2005

Lecture: \$10.00 JL001



The Rev. Kenneth Leech

The Reverend Kenneth Leech is the M.B. Beckett Urban Fellow at Saint Botolph's Church, Aldgate, London, has directed the Board for Social Responsibility of the Church of England and long

been involved with social activism and ministry to the poor. Widely known as a lecturer on spirituality and prayer he is author of many best-selling books including: Soul Friend: Spiritual Direction in the Modern World; Spirituality and Pastoral Care; and True Prayer: An Invitation to Christian Spirituality.

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Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

Is Spirituality Dangerous?

December 1 & 2, 2006

Lecture: \$10.00 KL003, Workshop: \$30.00 KL004

Evening Lecture: ***The Kingdom of God: "Within" or "In the Midst?"***

Saturday Workshop: ***On Being the Church in the World: Liturgy, Prayer & Justice***

March 28 & 29, 2003

Lecture: \$10.00 KL001, Workshop: \$30.00 KL002



Sallie McFague

Sallie McFague is Distinguished Theologian in Residence at the Vancouver School of Theology in Vancouver, BC. and the Carpenter Professor of Theology Emerita, at Vanderbilt University Divinity School, Nashville TN. For many years she

has been teaching and writing in the area of religious language and the models and metaphors that we use to speak of God and ourselves. She is author of "Models Of God;" "The Body Of God;" "Super, Natural Christians;" and "Life Abundant."

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***Human Dignity and the Integrity of Creation: Who Are We and What Should We Do?***

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Center Public Lectures

Saturday Workshop: *A New Paradigm of Our Place and Our Vocation*

December 2 & 3, 2005

Theologian Sallie McFague attends to the integrity of creation in these weekend lectures. The question of who we are, where we fit, and what we should be doing is at the heart of her Friday evening lecture and Saturday workshop. The Friday evening lecture is a presentation on the presence of humanity in God's creation. The Saturday workshop is a fleshing out of the place of human beings in the scheme of things and our responsibilities, given that place.
Lecture: \$10.00 SM001, Workshop: \$30.00 SM002



Brian McLaren

Brian D. McLaren is the founding pastor of Cedar Ridge Community Church, an innovative, nondenominational church in the Baltimore-Washington region. He is a leader in the Emergent Church Movement, a popular speaker, and author of many books including, "A New Kind of Christian", which won Christianity Today's "Award of Merit" in 2002, "A Generous Orthodoxy" and "The Secret Message of Jesus: Uncovering the Truth that Could Change Everything."

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *Beyond Us & Them: Being Christian in the Generous Orthodox Way*

June 16, 2006

Lecture: \$10.00 BML001



Dr. Seyyed Hossein Nasr

One of the world's leading experts on Islamic science and spirituality, Seyyed Hossein Nasr is University Professor of Islamic Studies at George Washington University. Professor Nasr is author of numerous books including, Man and Nature: the Spiritual Crisis of Modern Man; Religion and the Order of Nature; and, Knowledge and the Sacred. His most recent book is The Heart of Islam: Enduring Values for Humanity.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *The Dimensions of Islam*

Saturday Workshop: *Islam and the Abrahamic Tradition of Monotheism*

February 7 & 8, 2003

Lecture: \$10.00 SN001, Workshop: \$30.00 SN002



J. Philip Newell

J. Philip Newell is a poet, scholar, teacher and Church of Scotland minister with a passion for ecumenical and interfaith dialogue. Formerly Warden of Iona Abbey in the Western Isles of Scotland, he is currently Writer Theologian for the Scottish Cathedral of the Isles as well as Companion Theologian for the American Spirituality Centre of Casa del Sol in New Mexico. He is internationally acclaimed for his work in the field of Celtic spirituality, including his best known titles

Listening for the Heartbeat of God and his poetic book of prayer Sounds of the Eternal.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *The New Birthing of Christ for Today: A Celtic Perspective*

Saturday Workshop: *The Twin Loves of Celtic Christianity: Christ & Creation*

May 4 & 5, 2007

Lecture: \$10.00 PN001, Workshop: \$30.00 PN002



Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi

Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi is co-author of "From Age-ing to Sage-ing" and founder of the Spiritual Eldering Institute. He is a national leader in the Jewish Renewal Movement, a worldwide, transdenominational movement grounded in Judaism's prophetic and mystical traditions. Rabbi Schachter-Shalomi teaches at Naropa University and lives in Boulder, Colorado.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *Gaia & Ecumenism*

March 21, 2005

Lecture: \$10.00 ZS001



John Shelby Spong

The pre-eminent voice for liberal Christianity, John Shelby Spong, was the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Newark for 24 years before his retirement. Bishop Spong is the author of several best-selling books which have sold more than 650,000 copies combined, including Rescuing the Bible from Fundamentalism; Why Christianity Must Change or Die; and, Here I Stand, a memoir of his journey.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: *In Search of the Wonder of God: Transcending the Limits of Religion*

Saturday Workshop: *Reading the Bible with Jewish Eyes*

January 16 & 17, 2004

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Center Public Lectures/Buddhist Lectures



Jim Wallis

Jim Wallis is an international commentator on ethics and public life, and a spokesperson for faith-based initiatives. Wallis founded Sojourners, a Christian ministry for justice and peace, over 30 years ago and Call to Renewal, a national federation of churches, denominations, and faith-based organizations working to overcome poverty.

Wallis speaks at more than 200 events a year and his columns appear in the New York Times, Washington Post, and Los Angeles Times. His most recent book is "Faith Works: How Faith-Based Organizations are Changing Lives, Neighborhoods, and America." He is joined in the Saturday workshop by his wife, Rev. Joy Carroll, an author and speaker in her own right and the person on whom the BBC sitcom character, "The Vicar of Dibley" is based.

Compact Disc Recording

God's Politics: Why the Right Gets It Wrong and the Left Doesn't Get It

Evening Lecture & Saturday Workshop

April 8 & 9, 2005

Lecture: \$10.00 JW001, Workshop: \$30.00 JW002

Buddhist Lectures



Ajahn Amaro

Venerable Ajahn Amaro is a Theravada monk in the Thai Forest Tradition. He is currently one of two Abbots-in-residence at Abhayagiri Buddhist Monastery in Northern California.

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***Sublime Abidings: Places for the Heart***
November 7, 2003

In this special lecture, Theravada Buddhist monk and teacher, Ajahn Amaro gives a presentation on the Brahmavihara practices of lovingkindness and compassion, and the meaning they can have in our lives.

Lecture: \$10.00 BAA001



Sharon Salzberg

Sharon Salzberg has been a student of Buddhism since 1971, and leading meditation retreats worldwide since 1974. She teaches both insight meditation and metta meditation practices. She is a co-founder of the Insight Meditation Society in Barre, Massachusetts, the Barre Center for Buddhist Studies and The Forest Refuge, a center for long term meditation practice. Author of "Lovingkindness: The Revolutionary Art of Happiness" her latest book is "Faith: Trusting Your Own Deepest Experience."

Compact Disc Recording

Evening Lecture: ***Lovingkindness: The Revolutionary Art of Happiness***

July 13, 2005

Buddhist teacher Sharon Salzberg gives a special Summer presentation on Buddhist teachings and practices that develop lovingkindness, compassion and an awareness of our inherent wholeness. A skilled teacher, Sharon Salzberg is known for her clear and sensitive presentations of key Buddhist teachings.

Lecture: \$10.00 BSS001

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Center Summer Seminars

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CD & DVD Offerings

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The Bible & Christian Formation Today ©2007

Marcus Borg & John Dominic Crossan
June 25 - 29, 2007



An exploration of the Bible and Christian vision and formation today with two of the outstanding biblical scholars of our day, Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan (Dom). Focusing on four major sections of the Bible: The Law (Torah), Prophets, Gospels, and Paul, we will examine the manner in which we perceive and communicate the meaning of these texts for Christian vision and practice in our churches today. Marcus and Dom will emphasize how to use the Bible in Christian formation - as teachers, preachers, reading group facilitators and church educators.
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The Church in the 21st Century ©2005

Diana Butler Bass, Marcus Borg & Brian McLaren
June 14 - 16, 2006



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The Bible in the 21st Century ©2005



Marcus Borg, John Dominic Crossan & Barbara Rossing
June 19 - 21, 2006



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Marcus J. Borg, Sr. Joan Chittister & John Dominic Crossan
June 15 - 17, 2005



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Continuing the Conversation*** ©2005

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June 24 - 27, 2003



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***Being Christian in the 21st Century:
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June 18 - 20, 2002



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