

REGISTRATION FORM

Spirituality of Contemplative Dialogue

June 3—5, 2016

Name _____

Address _____

City, State: _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Room choice: Single Double

Triple (if available) Roommate(s): _____

Physical/Dietary Needs _____

Cost: \$280.00 A \$50 non-refundable, non-transferable deposit is required to confirm registration.

Amount enclosed _____ Make check payable to **Our Lady of Calvary Retreat** (Your cancelled check is your confirmation.)

Credit Card Payments

VISA MC Card Number: _____

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Signature _____

Amount Charged to Card

\$ _____

Mail Reservation and Deposit to:

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center

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Register Online at:

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Arrival: Friday June 3, 5:30 pm Dinner

Depart: Sunday June 5, after 11:30 am Brunch



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The Spirituality of Contemplative Dialogue: Practicing Engagement in Our Everyday Lives

Spirituality is at heart about authentic relationship. Yet it seems it is a human struggle to show up and relate with our best values in real time moments, with God or with others.

This practical retreat will help you better engage those Sacred everyday moments, family, workplace, community, with greater presence and possibility.

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**We are not human beings
having a spiritual experience.
We are spiritual beings
having a human experience.**
Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

What is Contemplative Dialogue®?

Contemplative Dialogue provides individuals and groups a greater ability to engage, relate and overcome the challenges they collectively face, and to do so with integrity and compassion.

It creates ways of drawing on what is best and most essential in each of us, and creates trustworthy ways to bring that into our relationships, the work of our organizations and our individual lives.

It supports a spirituality that seeks God in all life, and trusts that Spirit seeks us in healthy relationship.

Contemplative Dialogue was created in the early 1990's in the context of a spiritual direction training community that recognized that holiness alone did not prepare us for life in the world. Asking the question, 'How might Spirit be drawing us to relate with one another in the realities of our daily lives?' led us to a broader and richer understanding of what it means to be contemplative, and practices that support us living more deeply in relationship with one another.

It further created a trustworthy way to engage the 'collective spirit' of a group or community. Allowing us to engage the 'Us,' the Body of Christ in more discerning and healthy fashion.

Intentionally engaging this powerful common ground transforms how an community does what it does. The change is not artificial, but rooted in the deep human potential that resides within each of us.

The Retreat

Many of us find that living our Faith and Spirituality in the face of real-world challenges and the demands of complex interactions with others is difficult if not impossible. Yet, we are called to actively engage in relationships, families, communities, organizations, society and the world at large.

During this engaging weekend Steven and Mike will blend the best of Contemplative and Evolutionary theologies and spiritual insights with practices that will have an immediate impact on how you see yourself and interact with others. The weekend experience will reflect on the contemporary work of Thomas Merton, Teilhard de Chardin, Ilia Delio and Elizabeth Johnson.

There will be an introduction to and an experience of the practice of Contemplative Dialogue as a way of actively engaging others in the world.

Presenters Steven Wirth & Mike Smoolca

Presented by Steven Wirth, originator of the Contemplative Dialogue practice, experienced Spiritual Director, trainer and Director of the Centre for Contemplative Dialogue. His 25 year real world experience of helping people find hope and Spirit in their lives through this practice has taken him to diverse cultural professional, religious and international settings finding meaningful connections throughout.

And, presented by Mike Smoolca, a Spiritual Director, active in ministries in his parish. Mike is an experienced contemplative group and workshop facilitator and dedicated student of Contemplative practices. He has been reading Thomas Merton for 10 years and applying Merton's insights to guide his own spiritual journey while facilitating Thomas Merton workshops for the past 3 years. Mike retired from a nearly 30 year career in Business and Technology to focus on deepening his relationships, spirituality, teaching and service to others.

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Give yourself the gift of time away.

Making time to step away from the fast pace of life does more than create an escape. If done in the right setting and with mindfulness it can create fresh perspectives and new insights so when we return, we bring something richer back with us.

The unique presence this retreat invites you to is enhanced by taking place on OLC's 12 beautiful acres overlooking the Farmington Valley. Give yourself and those in your life the gift of greater presence by taking this time.

Offering \$280

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