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Life as Prayer

We are living through challenging times when problems that seem both monumental and intractable beset us on all sides. The center of our common life seems to not be holding because our traditional cultural, political, spiritual, educational and commercial institutions all seem to be not up to the task of renewal. When what once was an edifice is no longer, it isn't entirely gone; it's just broken into pieces, and still exists as rubble that has been scattered.



The great mythologist Michael Meade has said that an old Irish myth tells us that when the center no longer holds, we need to look to the periphery to find the source of our renewal. We need to find that thing which, while seeming marginalized, both attracts us and scares us. As we explore it, we will find a thread which, if we pull on it, will lead us back to the center, where we will find all those others who have followed their threads. Then, together we can, once again, weave the tapestry of



Announcements & Upcoming Events

Winter Discovery Course!

Registration is open for the Discovery Course. 10-weeks: 5 teacher-led and 5 peer-led sessions with essays, audio, and video. Explore and experience the Trillium Dharma!



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Virtual Sitting Building Resilience

12/01/2019, 10am - 12pm PST
Teachers: Cielle Backstrom & Sanji Hills

trust, and begin to reassemble the scattered parts of the edifice of our collective life.

As the awakening life progresses, the world often feels more and more kindred and intimate, and at the same time, dissembling becomes less and possible to pull off. Care for people, the earth, the creatures, this whole life deepens and devotion feels increasingly appropriate. If you are one who is predisposed to great sensitivity, you may find in your awakening life that encounters with beauty, awe, reverence, and gratitude become frequent companions on your journey.

In my experience, it is often the case that the shyest and tenderest part of who you are is also your deepest and most inherent gift to the world. You will never feel more exposed than when you reveal this part of who you are, and at the same time, you will never be more radiantly generous to the world, and your life itself may feel like a prayer.

Trillium Teacher, Steve Boggs, Fairfield, IA



Embodied Mutuality Workshop,
Olympia, WA October 2019

Thanksgiving Morning

Window shades lighten
as dawn arrives
gray light, chill.
The house is quiet,
still, each of us
in our cocoons.
Soon, the fire must be laid
and lit. Shades lifted
for the short day's light.
My heart is soft
with long life,
with all it knows
about love and loss.
My father, mother,
strangers and friends,
war and famine, disease

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All Hearts on Deck Deep Prayer: Being the Heart of the World

12/07/2019, 10am - 12pm PST

Teacher: Margit Bantowsky

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Virtual Sitting Exploring the Physical Dimensions of the Core Paradox

12/08/2019, 10am - 12pm EST

Teacher: Jim Trofatter

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Virtual Sitting What Is This Thing We Call Heart and Why Is It So Important for Our Evolution?

12/15/2019, 10am - 12pm EST

Teacher: Jim Trofatter

[more info](#)

9-Day In-Residence Core Dharma Retreat & 5-Day Extension

3/13 - 22 2019

Pattaya, Thailand

Teachers: Rod Taylor, June

Konopka, and Ardith Dean

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It's the Giving Season

*Our Trillium work brings more light,
more compassion, more love, more
peace, and more awakening to
those who are ready, open, and
searching.*

Please remember the great gift of
Trillium Awakening in this season of
giving. Make a donation to our
Outreach Fund so that we can share
our work with more of those who
are searching.

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offering to the world, with 41
teachers, 17 mentors, dozens of
workshops, retreats, sittings, in-
person and online mutuality groups,

and disaster. Yet comes day
with its quiet joy
stirring the blood
and rousing me
to prayer: may all beings
be free from suffering.
My riches are safety,
warmth, shelter, food,
health, and love. And knowing
they are not free. They
are not free.

Subhaga Crystal Bacon

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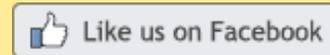
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and a shared manifesto and mission
to catalyze awakening for
individuals, society, and the world.



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