



**Cross the borders of your life  
and join us in a new  
experience!**



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# A Message of Welcome

Our mission is to provide dynamic educational programming with supportive contemplative practices that lead to transformative learning experiences and spiritual growth.

Are you interested in the topics of spiritual transformation and growth? Looking to go “beyond the borders” of your present life experience, awaken your curiosity, and meet with others who are doing the same?

Our combination of gathered community, diverse presentations, embodied spiritual practices, and a contemplative environment, create the space for life-changing experiences that can make a difference in your daily life and impact the wider community. A live webcast program features inspirational teachers and global thinkers Richard Rohr, Cynthia Bourgeault, William Paul Young, and more. Our dynamic in-person presenters come with local and internationally-known experience, and include Mark Desvaux, Ron Klusmeier, Selinde Krayenhoff, and Joanne & Richard Sales.

Our collaboration with *The Contemplative Society* and the *Bethlehem Centre* sets the scene for *Spirituality Beyond Borders: Education for Transformation*. We believe this is an idea whose time has come, and an experience waiting for a community to embody it!

We welcome people from any or no spiritual or religious tradition or background. Please do join us for one of our programs in 2017.

Andrew, Pearl, and Remi



Andrew Twiddy



Pearl Gervais



Remi De Roo

# Spring Conference, April 3-6

Join us for an adult continuing education experience at the *Bethlehem Centre* combining interactive live-community format and contemplative practice, led by local & internationally-known presenters.

## Keynote Addresses

**Spirituality Beyond Borders: Education in the Service of Transformation** with *Andrew Twiddy, Pearl Gervais, Remi De Roo*, Monday April 3rd, 7pm

**Vatican II in the 21st Century: Now and Beyond** with *Pearl Gervais & Remi De Roo*, Tuesday April 4th, 7pm

**Checklist for Transformative Change: An Introduction to the Work of Richard Rohr and the Centre for Action and Contemplation** with *Andrew Twiddy*, Wednesday April 5th, 7pm

## Morning Sessions

**Centering Prayer: The Practice of Inner Surrender** with *Selinde Krayenhoff* at 9am

**Embodied Wisdom: Dances of Universal Peace ~ Learning to Put Our Intentions into Motion** with *Joanne Sales & Richard Sales* at 10:30am

## Afternoon Sessions

**Top Ten Lessons for Spiritual Growth: The Heart of Wayne Dyer's Legacy** with *Mark Desvaux* at 2:30pm

**Active Voices, Contemplative Hearts: Living Hymnody as an Inspirational Dynamic for Change** with *Ron Klusmeier* at 4pm

# Richard Rohr Webcast, April 6-8

Explore the mystery of the Trinity through this interactive retreat in conjunction with the *Center for Action and Contemplation* in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Your experience at the *Bethlehem Centre* will be hosted by the leadership team of *Spirituality Beyond Borders* and *The Contemplative Society*.

## Trinity: the Soul of Creation

Beloved authors and teachers [Richard Rohr](#), [Cynthia Bourgeault](#), and [William Paul Young](#) come together to reveal a relational, benevolent universe, in which Trinity is the foundation and template, a metaphor for the nature of reality, both seen and unseen.

Rohr, Bourgeault, and Young believe the Trinity—fully experienced and enjoyed—has the capacity to change everything. We already participate within this dance whether we realize it or not. And when we consciously engage in loving communion, we open ourselves to being transformed at the deepest levels.

All presentations and sessions of the *CAC* conference are experienced in real time, with hosted interactive local responses.

If you are looking for community experience that is a middle ground between travelling to the live conference in Albuquerque and simply viewing the webcast on your own, then this is for you!

We invite you to enter into a deep journey, wherever you are on the path. We hope you leave with an entirely different way of knowing yourself and the world.

"I am delighted for *The Contemplative Society* to be sharing in this venture to host the Trinity Webcast with Richard and Cynthia, and Paul." Heather Page, president of *The Contemplative Society*

To register today, call the [Bethlehem Centre](#) toll free at 1-877-889-0517.

# Conference Speakers

The Spirituality Beyond Borders Conference features local speakers with national and international presence.



## **Andrew Twiddy - Program Director**

Andrew works as an Anglican priest, speaker, columnist, and versatile musician, based in Parksville, BC. The contemplative and mystical traditions of the West have led him into his love for the study and teaching of Latin, Greek, Aramaic, and Hebrew, and into a long-term relationship with the *Centre for Action and Contemplation*.



## **Pearl Gervais**

Pearl is a teacher, writer, and speaker, based in Nanaimo, BC. She is co-author of *Biblical Characters And The Enneagram: Images of Transformation* with Remi De Roo and Diane Tolomeo.



## **Remi De Roo**

As a Roman Catholic Bishop, **Remi** participated in all sessions of the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). His 37-year episcopate in the Diocese of Victoria (1962-1999) has been followed by an active ministry of pilgrimage and lecturing.



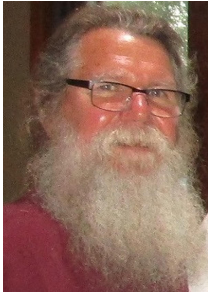
## **Selinde Krayenhoff**

Selinde is an Anglican priest, community worker, writer, facilitator and speaker. She lives and works in Central Vancouver Island, is the cofounder of Island Parent Magazine and offers courses and workshops in Nonviolent Communication (NVC) through her business Authentic Communication.



**Joanne Sales**

is a certified Dances of Universal Peace (DUP) dance leader, and has been leading regular DUP gatherings on Vancouver Island since 2003. She is also an award-winning columnist. Joanne and her husband Richard have in-person experience over many decades of both Western and Eastern mystical and religious traditions.

**Richard Sales**

Richard has been a performing musician since the 60's and music producer since the early 80s, producing award-winning music for NPR, PBS, ESPN, The Grateful Dead, and a multitude of holy teachers including Shree Maa, Bhagavad Das, and Saadi. He and his wife Joanne operate an organic blueberry farm in Central Vancouver Island.

**Mark Desvaux**

**Mark** is a life coach, recording artist, entrepreneur, radio broadcaster, author, speaker, and filmmaker. He is the chairman and founder of the charity **Foodshare**, which helps school children and communities to grow produce for local charities.

**Ron Klusmeier**

**Ron** lives in Central Vancouver Island, and travels widely as a musician, composer, arranger, resource consultant, and editor of new music for worship. Ron has written almost 1000 pieces, many of them to match the lyrics of contemporary hymn-and song-writers such as Ruth Duck, Brian Wren, Shirley Murray, Fred Kaan, and Walter Farquharson.

**Heather Page**

Heather is President of *The Contemplative Society*, works closely with Cynthia Bourgeault, and is delighted for *The Contemplative Society* to collaborate on this new venture *Spirituality Beyond Borders*. She and her husband Christopher co-lead contemplative workshops and silent retreats. Heather will co-host our webcast with Andrew, Pearl, and Remi, and assist in our daily meditation practice by leading *Centering Prayer* sessions.

# Webcast Speakers

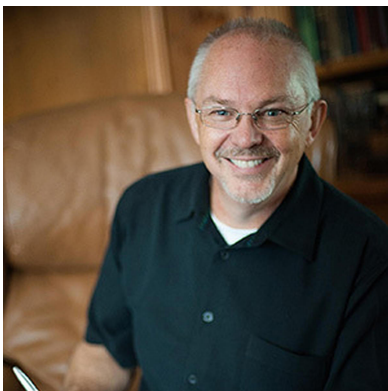
Live streaming of the *Center for Action and Contemplation* webcast features these internationally known and beloved speakers. Full details available on the [Center for Action and Contemplation](#) website.



**Fr. Richard Rohr** is a globally recognized spiritual teacher and a Franciscan priest of the New Mexico Province. He is the founder of the [Center for Action and Contemplation \(CAC\)](#) in Albuquerque, New Mexico.



**Cynthia Bourgeault** is a modern day mystic, Episcopal priest, and writer. She is the founding Director of both *The Contemplative Society* and the *Aspen Wisdom School*.



**William Paul Young** is author the of the best-selling novel *The Shack* which wrestles with the timeless question, "Where is God in a world so filled with unspeakable pain?"



# Venue

Nestled amongst tall trees on Westwood Lake at the foot of Mount Benson on Vancouver Island, the Bethlehem Centre provides a peaceful and serene environment for exploring your spiritual path.

Our “cottage at the lake” style facility has 37 bedrooms; 5 meeting rooms, with capacity from 12 to 100; a finger labyrinth museum; a gift shop and a library focused on spirituality and faith. Included in your stay are three meals per day created by our certified chef de cuisine in our dining room overlooking the lake. Dietary options include vegetarian, gluten free and dairy free.

There are numerous forest walking paths on the property and easy access to the Westwood Lake Trail system. Our grounds include a contained ecosystem pond, vegetable garden and outdoor labyrinth based on the design of the labyrinth at Chartres Cathedral in France.

The **Bethlehem Centre** encourages and supports the expression of beliefs and values about humanity, spirituality, healing and peace by welcoming groups and individuals exploring a spiritual path and seeking a gathering place for education, reflection and community building.

“The Bethlehem Centre Board is proud to welcome this new program to the Centre. We would like to thank the organizers for all their hard work and we look forward to hosting this wonderful series of events that will help lead us to a greater understanding of ourselves and the divine.”  
Gerry Herkel, Board Chair



# More Ways to Participate: Spring Semester

Need an alternative way to participate? We have options for you.

## Start-of-the Week Program (3 sessions)

Our Start-of-the-Week Program, offered at the Bethlehem Centre, offers all the material of the Spring Conference and the Richard Rohr TRINITY Webcast as a series of three "equivalent-to-weekend" sessions in late April and early May, starting Sunday evening and going to Tuesday lunch (Monday evening for the Apr 24 session). Available separately or together:

Spring Conference: Apr 23-24, Apr 30-May 2

Richard Rohr Webcast: May 7-9

## Midweek Program (6 Sessions)

Our Midweek Program is a local access program for Central Vancouver Island, offering key selections of the material of the Spring Conference and the Richard Rohr TRINITY Webcast as a series of six 3-hour sessions, held in Parksville on a weekly basis in late May and throughout June, with an option of Tuesday morning (9.30 am) or Wednesday evening (6.30 pm). This is a six-session package with drop-in option also available. Registration is only **\$10** and participation by donation.

# Registration Packages & Accommodation Options

You can attend either one or both of the *Spirituality Beyond Borders Spring Conference* and the *Richard Rohr Webcast*. **Space is limited so register now!**

All prices listed in Canadian dollars. All conference & webcast programs held at the Bethlehem Centre.

SPRING CONFERENCE PACKAGES	DATES	PRICE
Spring Conference AND Richard Rohr Webcast	April 3 - 8	\$500
Spring Conference ONLY	April 3-6	\$300
Richard Rohr Webcast ONLY	April 6-8	\$200

Early-Bird discount if you register **before Feb 28, 2017**. A savings of **\$105** for the full 5-day package! Student discounts and bursaries are also available. Contact the [Bethlehem Centre](#) toll free at 1-877-889-0517 for more information.

On site accommodation and meal plan available from \$130/night. Contact the Bethlehem Centre for full details. Discounts are available for double occupancy. For guidance with self-arranged accommodation, contact Tourism Nanaimo toll-free at 1-800-663-7337.

## Spring Semester

START-OF-WEEK SESSIONS	DATES	PRICE
Spring Conference AND Richard Rohr Webcast	beginning April 23	\$500
Spring Conference Sessions ONLY	April 23 - 24, April 30 - May 2	\$300
Richard Rohr Webcast Sessions ONLY	May 7 - 9	\$200
Mid-Week Program	beginning May 23	sliding scale (\$10+)



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Booking online is easy. Visit the *Bethlehem Centre* website or call the Bethlehem Centre toll free at 1-877-889-0517 or email [info@bethlehemcentre.com](mailto:info@bethlehemcentre.com) and connect to one of our support team today.



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