

Contemplative Ministry Recommended Resources

The Center for Action and Contemplation seeks to empower individuals to live out their sacred tasks in service to the world through contemplative programs and resources. Features online educational offerings, Richard Rohr's Daily email reflections, hosts the annual CONSPIRE conference, and is home to the Living School, a two-year spiritual training program.

Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation provides resources for contemplative living, prayerful reading, invitations to silence, retreat weekends, online courses, speakers and events. Shalem also offers programs for aspiring spiritual directors, contemplative retreat and prayer group leaders, and executives seeking to lead from the heart.

Contemplative Outreach is a network of individuals and small faith communities committed to living the contemplative dimension of the Gospel. Centering Prayer and other contemplative practices are taught through workshops and retreats, while a large selection of resources, including the wisdom teachings of Father Thomas Keating are available on line. Most offerings are self-guided and available on an on-going basis.

A Network for Grateful Living is a global organization offering online and community-based educational programs and practices which inspire and guide a commitment to grateful living,

Unfolding Light is a daily reflection by Methodist pastor Steve Garnaas-Holmes and rooted in a contemplative spirituality.

Painted Prayerbook features original artwork by Jan Richardson. This blog explores the intersections of writing, art, and faith. Its pages include a weekly reflection on a text from the lectionary (the three-year cycle of readings that take us through much of the Bible). These reflections emerge from a process of lectio divina, the ancient art of praying with sacred texts.

The Abbey of the Arts is a virtual global online monastery offering pilgrimages, online classes & retreats, reflections, and resources, which integrate contemplative spiritual practice and creative expression. Founded by Christine Valters Painter, author of [The Artist's Rule](#), the offerings draw from the desert mothers and fathers, Celtic Christianity and the Benedictine Rule