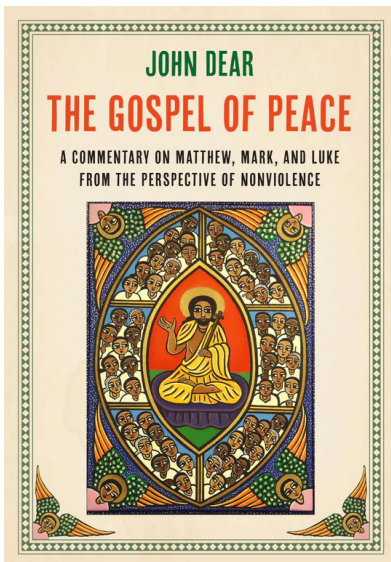


Join us for an evening talk and book-signing with peace activist, author and Nobel Peace Prize Nominee



REV. JOHN DEAR

as he talks about his new book,

The Gospel of Peace:

A Commentary on Matthew, Mark and Luke
from the Perspective of Nonviolence



“John Dear is one of the few towering figures in the Christian nonviolent freedom and peace movement in our time! This powerful book should not be missed!” ---Cornel West

“No living person has done more to root Jesus’ message of nonviolence and peace in scripture than John Dear. Follow John’s lead through Matthew, Mark and Luke and, like those disciples on the Emmaus Way, your heart will be set afire with excitement to tell others the Good News!” --Wes Howard-Brook, author of *“Come Out, My People!”: God’s Call Out of Empire in the Bible and Beyond*

The Gospel of Peace by Rev. John Dear is the first ever commentary on the Synoptic Gospels from the perspective of active nonviolence, in the tradition of Gandhi and Dr. King. In this new and original work, John walks us through every line of the three synoptic Gospels pointing out Jesus’ practice and teachings of nonviolence each step of the way and invites us to become practitioners of creative nonviolence like Jesus. John Dear’s Jesus is like Gandhi and Dr. King—nonviolent to the core, a disarming, healing presence toward those in need and a revolutionary disrupter of the unjust status quo and a political threat to the ruling authorities who succeed in killing him, only to push Jesus to the heights of nonviolence through his death and resurrection. This original commentary brings a fresh new approach to the Gospels that will help us all to carry Jesus’ global campaign of nonviolence for justice, disarmament and creation.

Rev. John Dear has been working for justice and disarmament and teaching peace and nonviolence for over four decades. The author of forty books, he is the executive director of The Beatitudes Center where he hosts and offers zooms on Jesus and Gospel peacemaking. He was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize many times, including by Archbishop Desmond Tutu. His website is: www.johndear.org.

April 11, 2024, 7pm — merton.org/dear

Earth & Spirit Center, 1924 Newburg Rd., Louisville

CONTACT: 272-8099, mmeade@bellarmine.edu

SPONSORS: The Thomas Merton Center at

Bellarmino, and the Passionist Earth & Spirit Center



SCAN CODE TO RSVP

THE EVENT IS FREE, NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED, RSVP REQUESTED AT WEBSITE OR SCAN QR

WE THANK OUR CO-SPONSORS: The Fellowship of Reconciliation (Louisville Chapter), and Strathmoor Presbyterian Church

Contact Mark Meade to join an in-person book study after the event: mmeade@bellarmine.edu.

Discount copies of the book sold online and at event through the Merton Center for \$25 (retail \$34).