

Cole Arthur Riley

POET, SPEAKER, & NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING
AUTHOR OF *THIS HERE FLESH* IS COMING TO KNOX!

Saturday, Oct. 25, 2025

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

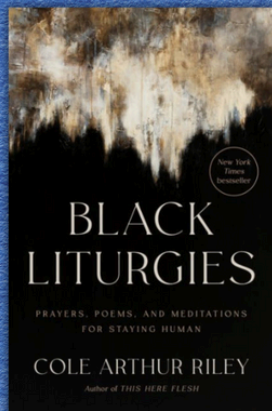
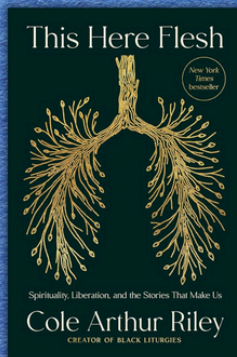
Lecture followed by Q&A

Knox Presbyterian Church

3400 Michigan Avenue

Cincinnati, OH 45208

FREE, but please register at
knox.org/cole or scan this code...



This event is co-sponsored by the Knox Racial Justice Ministry

Autumn Journey Fall Program Guide

Check out the Autumn Journey small groups,
mission opportunities, lectures and other events
happening at Knox. Come along for the ride!



Autumn Journeys Fall 2025

Groups by day of the week:

The Gospel of Mark *Sundays 10:10am-10:50am*

The Prodigal God *Sundays 6:30-7:30pm*

Busy Hands & Connecting Hearts *Tuesdays 6:00-7:30pm*

Tears of Things *Tuesdays 7:00pm-8:30pm*

Gen X/Y Men's Group: Of Boys and Men *Tuesdays 7:30-9:30pm*

The Embodied Encounter of God *Wednesdays 12:00pm-1:00pm VIA ZOOM*

This Here Flesh *Wednesdays 6:30pm-7:30pm*

Monthly or one-time groups:

Reading Scripture Out Loud *Monthly on Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm*

Harriet Beecher Stowe House docent tour *Sunday, October 19, 3:00pm*

Sacred Art docent tour at the Cincinnati Art Museum *Sunday, November 16, 2:00pm*

Independent Study: See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love

The Gospel of Mark

Time: Sundays 10:10am-10:50am

Dates: October 5, 12, 19, November 2, 9, 16, 23

Location: Knox Room

Facilitator: Jim DiEgidio

Join us for an eight session Bible study on the Gospel of Mark. We will be using N.T. Wright's Gospel Study Guide. Copies are available at no cost thanks to a generous donation. Come be part of this learning experience, as we discover new insights about the life and times of Jesus.

The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian

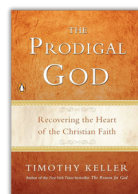
Faith by Timothy Keller

Time: Sundays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Dates: October 5, 12, 19 & 26

Location: Knox Room

Facilitator: Hugh McKinnon



Prodigal (prod-i-gal – adj.) 1. recklessly extravagant; 2. having spent everything. With his trademark approach to understanding Christianity, Rev. Timothy Keller uncovers the essential message of Jesus, locked inside his most familiar parable. Within that parable Jesus reveals God's prodigal grace toward both the irreligious and the moralistic. This small book challenges both the devout and skeptics to see Christianity in a whole new way. Join us as we refresh our understanding of our boundless God for 4 weeks using this very accessible guidebook.

Mission / Lectures / Other Events

Opportunities to engage in mission:

September 14-20: Found House/IHN at Knox

October 4: Fall Mission Tailgate

October 11: Habitat for Humanity Work Day

November 8: Mission: Possible



City of Cincinnati Poverty Simulation

Saturday, September 20th 9:00am-11:30am

Children will have their own program to learn about poverty. Childcare provided for children 4 and under.

At the Poverty Simulation Workshop, you'll experience real-life problems that real people in Cincinnati face. Come walk in the shoes of people whose stories are reflective of the stories of one-fourth of the city's residents who live below the federal poverty line.

Misconceptions about Poverty

Saturday, September 27th 9:00am-11:00am

At this workshop the many misconceptions about poverty will be cleared up and you'll gain a better understanding of what causes poverty and what keeps people poor. Childcare provided for children ages 12 and under.

Presented by St. Vincent de Paul--Cincinnati. If you have questions please contact Kerry Duke.

Hyde Park Churches Collective ~ Fall Lecture Circuit

September 17: At Redeemer Episcopal Church – Dan McClellan 6:00pm

October 25: Tom York Lecture Series at Knox – Cole Arthur Riley 4:00pm

November 15: Hyde Park Community United Methodist – April Ajoy 4:00pm

Other fall gatherings:

September 18: Men's Group In-Home gathering at Barlow's

September 27: Women's Empowerment Brunch@Third Church 11:30am-2:00pm

October 12: Civil Rights trip presentation Lunch & Learn 12:30-2:00pm

October 12: FALL FEAST on the lawn 5:00pm

November 30: Advent Feast 5:00pm

Independent Study: See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love by Valerie Kaur

One-time Discussion Date: Wednesday, October 29th 7:30-8:30pm

Facilitated by: Tina Hubert

Valerie Kaur's *See No Stranger* is a powerful memoir and manifesto that intertwines her personal journey as a Sikh American activist with a bold vision for social change. She introduces the concept of Revolutionary Love, a fierce and joyful practice that calls us to love others, our opponents, and ourselves in a broken world. The book serves as a guide for navigating division and despair by reclaiming love as a transformative, public force, rooted in the idea of "seeing no stranger" in anyone we meet. Discussion facilitated by Tina Hubert.



Knox Men's Retreat November 21-22

Beragmo Center

Cost: \$130 includes meals and accommodations. More details and registration coming soon.



Ongoing groups:

Film series 1st Wednesdays@7pm

Women's Study Group 1st and 3rd Mondays@1 pm

Book Group 2nd Mondays@7pm

Mentoring Ministry 2nd Saturdays

Men's Breakfast at Third 3rd Saturdays@10am

Racial Justice Ministry 3rd Sundays@7pm

Soul Friends 4th Tuesdays@7pm

Busy Hands & Connecting Hearts

Time: Tuesdays 6:00-7:30

Dates: Sept 16, 23, 30 October 14, 21

Location: Knox Room

Facilitator: Katie Fiorelli

Whether you love crafting, interesting discussions, or finding new ways to connect with your community, you'll enjoy our "Busy Hands" group. Each week, bring a project to keep your hands busy (crochet, coloring pages, editing photos on your computer, stuffing envelopes... [we won't judge your project or your skill level]!) and tackle them in a companionable, cozy space. This is a go-with-the-flow group: each week may include sharing "joys and concerns," discussing an article or episode from "The Progressive Christian Podcast," working on your project of choice, or simply enjoying the fellowship of others. Come to some or all meetings, bring a snack to share or your own dinner... Let's grow something great, together! Childcare can be arranged, let us know if you need it!

Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom in an Age of Outrage by Richard Rohr

Time: Tuesdays 7:00pm-8:30 pm

Dates: October 14, 21, 28 and November 4

Location: Room 304

Facilitators: David Schlaudecker & Joe Loechle



How do we live compassionately in a time of violence and despair? What can we do with our private disappointments and the anger we feel in such an unjust world? Join us as we study the writings of the Jewish prophets, who offer us a crucial path forward today. Book LINK.

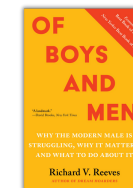
Gen X/Y Men's Group: Of Boys and Men by Richard Reeves

Time: Tuesdays 7:30pm- ~9:30pm

Dates: September 16, 23, 30 Oct 7, 14, 21

Location: Varies in people's homes & yards

Contacts: Joe Cobbs & Wes Gimbert



Are you in your 20s, 30s, or 40s and looking for a place to connect? Come join our new small group as we read and discuss the powerful book *Of Boys and Men: Why the Modern Male Is Struggling, Why It Matters, and What to Do about It*. This is a space for authentic conversation and fellowship as we explore identity, purpose, and faith in a relaxed, home setting.

2 GROUPS offered by Rev. Amy Snow on 2025 Tom York Lecture Series book

The Embodied Encounter of God based on *This Here Flesh* by Cole Arthur Riley ~ 2025 Tom York Lecture Series speaker

Time: Wednesdays 12:00pm-1:00pm

Dates: October 8, 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12.

Location: VIA ZOOM

Facilitator: Rev. Amy Snow,

Interim Associate Pastor



This class is for anyone who has a difficult time accepting that they are created in God's image and how that theological concept informs their difficult relationship with their own body. Particularly focused on individuals with 'non-casserole*' and chronic illnesses, this group is open to everyone interested in exploring the deeply spiritual, lyrically written book by our Tom York Lecture Series author Cole Arthur Riley.

Facilitation Method: Participants will be asked to read certain portions of the book and to reflect on prompts drawn from the text in their journals for each class. These journaling prompts are intended to spur self-discovery, personal insight and spiritual growth.

Each participant will need: a journal and their own copy of the text, as well as a willingness to enter into brave space with a courageous heart.

*non-casserole illnesses is a term that Amy's friend used to describe a family member's illness because it was invisible to those who provided care and support to individuals, caregivers and family members with more noticeable or socially acceptable illnesses.

In Search of Awe based on *This Here Flesh* by Cole Arthur Riley ~ 2025 Tom York Lecture Series speaker

Time: Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm

Dates: October 8, 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12.

Location: Knox Room

Facilitator: Rev. Amy Snow, Interim Associate Pastor

"To encounter the Holy in the Ordinary is to find God in the liminal- in spaces where we might subconsciously exclude it, including the sensory moments that are often illegibly spiritual!" - *This Here Flesh*

Those daring enough to venture into this Journey group will become intrepid explorers of our inner worlds. We will delve into places and spaces we might not often go guided by the lyrical writing of Cole Arthur Riley and the poetic lens through which she views her life in search of experiences of awe.

Each explorer must come equipped with the text, a journal, a courageous and playful spirit, a willingness to exercise unused spiritual muscles and a pen which is mightier than any sword! Excelsior! (1 Thessalonians 4:1)

Reading Scripture Out Loud

Time: Monthly on Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Dates: Sep. 24, Oct. 15, Nov.19 and Dec.10

Location: Room 304

Facilitator: Joe Loechle & Dawn Vagle



Join us on this Autumn Journey to explore Scripture as a living text by "rehearsing" it together—reading, questioning, and embodying passages in community. Participants will grow in both Biblical understanding and creative expression by reading Biblical texts and stories out loud in a group setting. Members will meet once a month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Knox. Additional meetings may be necessary if the group offers performances or presentations to the Knox congregation. Also, the group will study the techniques and practices in "Rehearsing Scripture: Discovering God's Word in Community" by Anna Carter Florence.

Harriet Beecher Stowe House docent tour

Date: October 19

Time: 3:00

Location: Harriet Beecher Stowe House,
2950 Gilbert Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45206

Docent: Bill Beegle, Knox member



Enjoy a fascinating tour and learn the history of the Stowe House, where Harriet Beecher Stowe lived and learn why president Abraham Lincoln said "So you are the little woman who wrote the book that started this great war!"

Sacred Art docent tour at the Cincinnati Art Museum

Date: Sunday, November 16

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Cincinnati Art Museum, 953 Eden Park Dr, Cincinnati, OH 45202 (may do lunch beforehand at or around Knox)

Organized by: Alexa Naramore

Faith can't always be expressed in words. Explore how humans have used the visual arts to communicate their spiritual lives throughout the centuries.