

Registration

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Register online at

[www.yanktonbenedictines.org/
spiritual-enrichment-program/](http://www.yanktonbenedictines.org/spiritual-enrichment-program/)

or email us: [Benedictine](mailto:BenedictinePeaceCtr@yanktonbenedictines.org)

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by August 24, 2022

Invite a friend to enjoy this program.



Offering

Cost of the program is \$400 due by Sept. 1. (Tax included)

Send a check payable to the Benedictine Peace Center, 1005 West 8th St., Yankton, SD 57078 or use this Pay Pal link:

[www.yanktonbenedictines.org/
retreat-center/payment/](http://www.yanktonbenedictines.org/retreat-center/payment/)

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Spiritual Enrichment Program

2022—2023

Conversations with



THOMAS MERTON



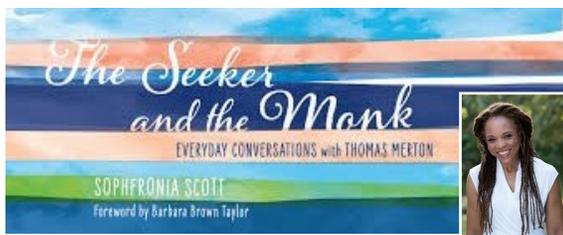
Benedictine Peace Center
Sacred Heart Monastery
Yankton, South Dakota

Program Description

Join a group meeting monthly via Zoom to savor and explore the life and teachings of a contemporary monk who grasped the struggles and joys of people in every walk of life.

This year's program includes eight Saturday morning gatherings to dialogue on sections of a book, a two-night retreat at a time convenient for you, and an optional meeting with a spiritual director.

The book selection this year mines the wisdom of Thomas Merton as seen by author Sophronia Scott.



Sophonria Scott is author of both fiction and non-fiction. A young black woman from a non-Catholic faith tradition, she earned degrees from Harvard and the Vermont college of Fine Arts. In *The Seeker and the Monk* she explores the personal journals of modern-day contemplative Thomas Merton for his thoughts on how to live in our turbulent times.

Your Retreat

Choose a convenient time for your personal silent retreat at the Peace Center. You will be welcomed on a space-available basis.

You will be welcome to join the monastic community for liturgy. Meals may be enjoyed with the sisters or in silence. A spiritual direction session is optional.



Conversation Dates

Dialogue on Zoom monthly, focusing on different chapters of the book each month.

Saturdays, 9:30—11:30 a.m.

September 10, 2022

October 8, 2022

November 12, 2022

December 10, 2022

January 14, 2023

February 11, 2023

March 11, 2023

April 15, 2023

Dialogue Themes

The pages of our text invite dialogue on topics such as —

Resisting racism

God's work and personal ambition

Faith and reviving it when it's tired

Activism, serving the world

Prayer

Friendship, spiritual friends

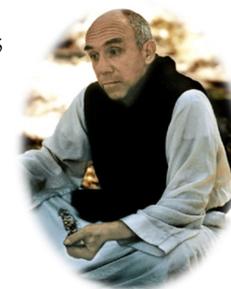
Seeing death without fear

Love

When our stuff owns us

Nature and finding

God's presence



How do we care about the world's brutality without being overwhelmed by it?



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