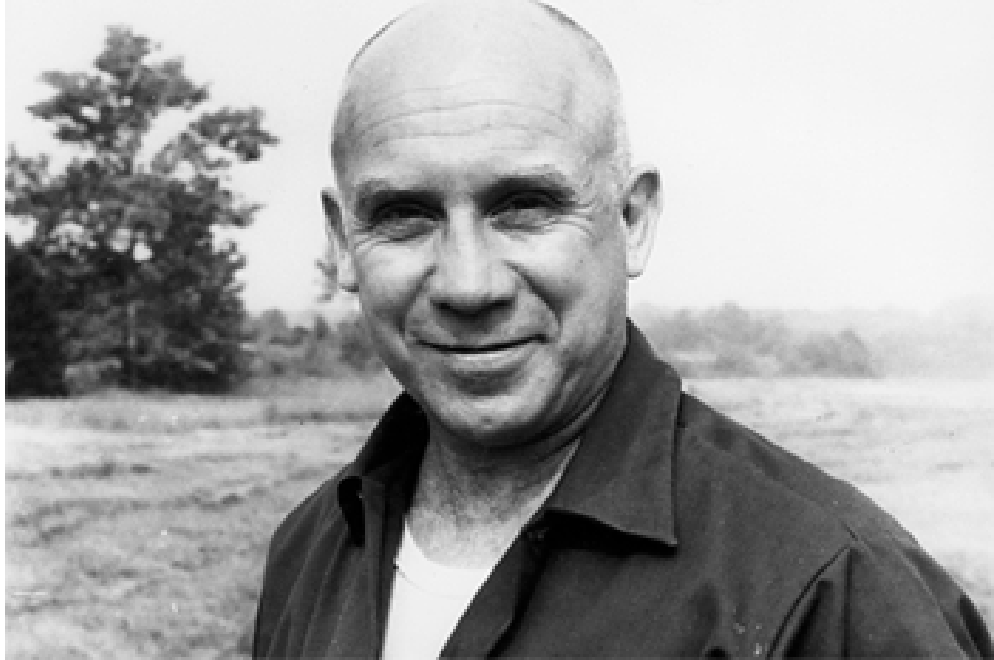


“Contemplative Prayer Is A Deep And Simplified Spiritual Activity In Which The Mind And Will Rest...Upon God”



We invite you to join us for our first meeting of 2017 as we discuss prayer the way Thomas Merton—in his seminal book *New Seeds of Contemplation*—came to understand it through several decades of practice.

Thomas Merton (1915-1968) was a Trappist monk who lived in the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani in rural Kentucky. Despite his Order’s strict observance of silence, he became one of the world’s most widely read, talked about, and beloved authors and social activists.

We formed the Grand Rapids chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society in May of 2016 to explore the life and works of the man known as Fr. Louis. We are open to the public and free of charge.

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