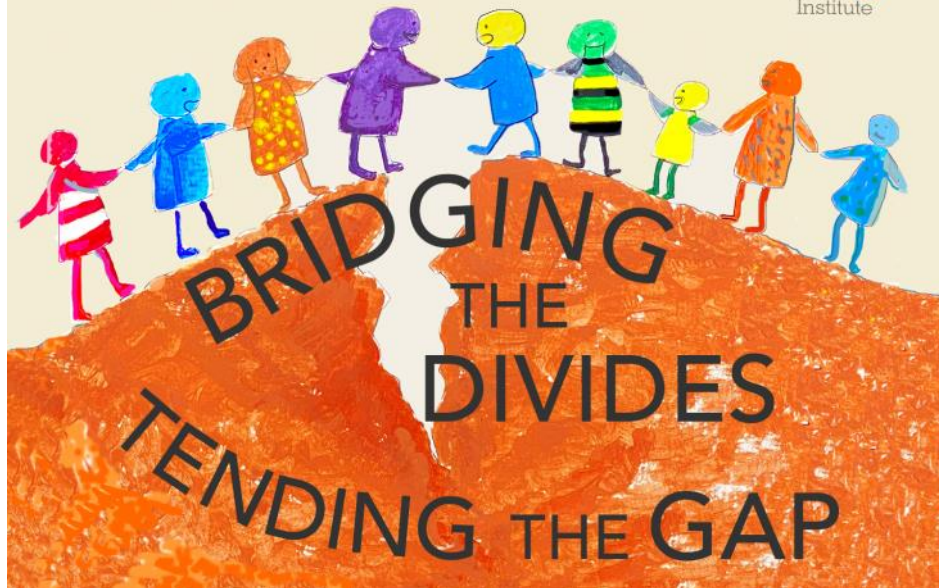


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**FRIDAY SEPT. 24**  
**12 PM—7:30 PM (CDT)**  
**SATURDAY SEPT. 25**  
**8:30 AM—5 PM (CDT)**

We live in a world of painful and destructive polarities. Gather with persons of various faiths, spiritualities, ages, and cultures who are longing to participate in the movement toward unity and the healing of divisions.

**PARTICIPANTS** will be invited to engage in processes and programs empowering us to grow in deeper listening, understanding, and compassion, and to join in courageous conversations to bridge different views. It is in the gap between two views where dynamic energy and openness are present to discern the newness being born.

This **CONFERENCE** is being held via ZOOM in order to bridge geography!

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### **PRESENTERS:**

**Sister Helen Prejean, CSJ** is the best-selling author of *Dead Man Walking* and a world-renowned advocate against the death penalty.

**Vernice Solimar, PhD**, a founding member of Ken Wilber's Integral Institute, is a skilled teacher of transpersonal psychology and spiral dynamics.

**Diane Bencoter**, a former cult member, and founder of Antidote.ngo, understands the role that psychological manipulation plays in luring people into extremist ideologies.

**Maka Akan Najin Black Elk** is Executive Director for Truth and Healing at Red Cloud Indian School in Pine Ridge, SD, a former Indian boarding school. Maka brings a passion for interreligious dialogue to his work.

**Cheryllyn Branche** is President of the GU272 Descendants Association, a non-profit representing over 10,000 living and deceased Descendants of enslaved children, women, and men sold by the Jesuits of Georgetown University in 1838.

**Arlie Hochschild, PhD** is a UC Berkeley professor of sociology, emerita and the author of nine books, most recently, *Strangers in Their Own Land: Anger and Mourning on the American Right*, a finalist for the National Book Award.

**Katharine Hayhoe, PhD** is an atmospheric scientist whose research focuses on understanding what climate change means for people and the places we live. She is a Horn Distinguished Professor at Texas Tech University and was named one of *TIME*'s 100 most influential people.