

**First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown, OH**

**Date: 11/3/2022**

Integrating the principle of religious faith into our everyday lives.

**Time: 11:30 AM**

**Location: Avion on the Water  
Banquet Center**



First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown  
presents:  
**Rev. John Dear**  
*Following the Nonviolent Jesus*



Fr. John Dear is an internationally known author, activist and teacher of peace and nonviolence. He has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. He serves as the founder and executive director of The Beatitudes Center for the Nonviolent Jesus.

He calls people to practice Gospel nonviolence, in the tradition of Gandhi and Dr. King, and to join the many global grassroots movements of nonviolence for the abolition of war, racism, poverty, nuclear weapons and environmental destruction.

He has traveled the world teaching, lecturing, organizing and practicing nonviolence, in pursuit of a more nonviolent world. A Catholic priest, he served as the director of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the largest interfaith peace organization in the United States, in the late 1990s to 2001, and after September 11, 2001, as one of the Red Cross coordinators of chaplains at the Family Assistance Center, and counseled thousands of relatives and rescue workers. He has worked in homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and community centers; traveled in warzones around the world. He served on the staff of Pace e Bene and co-founded Campaign Nonviolence, national week of action against poverty, war, racism and environmental destruction, across the USA. Fr. John participated in the April 2016 Vatican Conference on Nonviolence and Just Peace in Rome, and contributed background material for Pope Francis' Jan. 1, 2017 World Day of Peace message, the first statement on nonviolence in the history of the Catholic Church.

He has two Master's Degrees in Theology from the Graduate Theological Union in California, and has taught at Fordham University. A former Jesuit, he was ordained in 1993 and is now a priest of the Catholic Diocese of Monterey, California. He lives in Big Sur, California.

**Avion Banquet Center**

2177 W. Western Reserve Road  
Canfield, OH 44406

**First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown**

P.O Box 11146  
Youngstown, OH 44511

**Reservations are due by October 28, 2022**

**Cost: \$20 per person**

**For Reservations: 330-720-4498**

Phone: 330-720-4498  
[www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org](http://www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org)