

# Living in apocalyptic times

Annual Conference of The Christian Community  
Friday, 20th- Sunday 22nd September, 2024



With presentations, conversation and an outing to the exhibition of  
the Blue Rider at Tate Modern with Deborah Ravetz  
To apply please go to <https://tinyurl.com/AnnMtg24>

The Christian Community

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*'There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.'* (Luke 12:2)

Apocalypse means the unveiling of what was hidden. In the Book of Revelation we are given access to the inner side of reality. Along with its well-known and sometimes shocking, violent images, it contains scenes that can give us great spiritual comfort. Can this powerful book help us to navigate our troubled world?

We are taking advantage of the fact that the collection of the expressionist paintings of the pioneering Blue Rider group, from the Lenbachhaus in Munich, Germany, is on display at Tate Modern during the conference. Kandinsky, one of the key figures of the Blue Rider, sensed that humanity was entering a new epoch, which he called the epoch of the 'great spiritual'. His pictures, which were among the first to leave the world of representation behind, portraying instead inner – apocalyptic – worlds, take us into the inner world of creation itself. We are very glad that Deborah Ravetz, who has made a lifelong study of the Blue Rider, will lead us in art appreciation.

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Our Conference weekend will begin following registration with supper at 6pm on Friday, 20th September. The Act of Consecration of Man will be celebrated at 9.30am on 21st and 10.30am 22nd September. The conference will end with lunch at 1.15pm on Sunday, 22nd September.

You can apply online to the conference via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/AnnMtg24>. There is a limited number of beds available in Temple Lodge Club for a discounted rate. Temple Lodge can provide information about other accommodation nearby.

In order to book a room please call 020 874 883 88 or email [booking@templelodgeclub.com](mailto:booking@templelodgeclub.com). Please mention that your booking is for the Annual Conference of The Christian Community.

Cover picture: Wassily Kandinsky, With Sun, 1910, glass painting  
(Städtische Galerie im Lenbachhaus)

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		Saturday, 21 September		Sunday, 22 September
			9.45am	Contemplative preparation
9.30am	The Act of Consecration of Man (Rev 1)		10.30am	The Act of Consecration of Man (Rev 19)
10.30am	Break		11.30am	Break
11-11.50	<b>Staying Strong in Apocalyptic Times</b> - Nigel Lumsden		12-1pm	<b>The Apocalypse in our Lives</b> - Tom Ravetz
	Break			
12.10-1pm	<b>'Art that can light a fire in the human heart.'</b> (Kandinsky) Introduction to the Blue Rider - Deborah Ravetz			
1.15pm	Lunch			
2-5.45pm	Outing to Blue Rider 2-6 (there will be an alternative programme for those not going on the outing)			
6pm	Supper			
7.30pm	<b>What did I see and how did the paintings speak to me?'</b> Introduction, Reflection and Conversation - Sabine Haus			
ca 8.30pm	Close of Day Service	ca 8.45pm		

Friday, 20 September	
	from 5pm Arrival, registration
	6pm Supper 7pm Welcome <b>Living in Apocalyptic Times</b> - Nataliaia Shatna
ca 8.30pm	Close of Day Service

