Restoring the Sacred: Shamanic Divination and the Mantic Arts with Karl Schlotterbeck Tuesdays, October 13 & 27 7:00 to 9:00 pm online

Suggested donation is \$15 per session but, in recognition of stresses of the times and differing situations, participants are invited to donate according to their means.

This month, we turn our attention to divination and the mantic arts. In doing so, we recognize the intelligence that exists in our relationships, in all creatures, in the physical and spiritual worlds, the cycles of nature, and in our own bodies. People of the world over have sought access to information beyond the senses and shamanic cultures have developed a fascinating array of methods to seek such information. We will explore some of these, such as the Talking Stone, a method from Druidic lore, scrying, etc. and possibly invent our own.

There are at least three ways to look at divinatory information: as if things were happening to us as passive recipients of fate; as a calling for what the world is asking of us; and as potential outcomes to be shaped by our choices. Our attitude determines whether we experience ourselves as victims of our fate or as shapers of our destiny.

We will experiment with various mantic methods to become our own oracle and, perhaps, a source of assistance to others.

If not already registered for the series, registration should be sent to Ann at <u>ann.mongeau@unitynorthmn.org</u> by **Wednesday**, **October 7**. Access links and instructions to prepare for each session will be sent to those who register by the 7th. We will try to get materials to those who register late as best we can. Links to the video recording of the session will be sent a few days after the session.

This course represents the harvest of many threads of Karl's explorations, including studies of Celtic Spirituality, Druidism, depth psychology and comparative religion, and what he's learned over the last 35 years from people like Michael Harner, Sandra Ingerman, Sami shaman Ailo Gaup, the Mongolian shamanism of Sarangeral and, most extensively, Celtic shaman Tom Cowan. He's been a school psychologist (1973-2014), licensed psychologist (1991-2018); teacher of Druids; author of three books on reincarnation, karma and past-life therapy, and a just-published book titled *Shadows in the Light of God*. He's a musician, grandfather, beekeeper, and yeast herder.