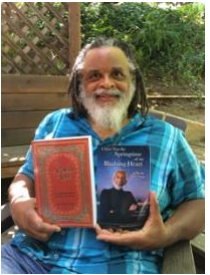


**Conversation on *The Power of Love*:
Professor Fran Grace, author, with Alumni from AWI/SFTS and University of Redlands**

Friday, September 6, 2019 ~ 5 - 6:30 p.m. ~ Scott Hall 101, SFTS campus, San Anselmo



Lakshmi LaPine earned her undergraduate degree in English ('09) and her teaching credential ('10) from the University of Redlands. She lives and serves at Ananda, a spiritual community in Palo Alto, sharing the teachings of Paramhansa Yogananda through classes and programs focused on yogi philosophy and meditation. Professionally, she is a full-time English teacher and Conflict Mediator at a public high school on the Peninsula. Dedicated to inviting contemplative practices into all aspects of daily life, she merges mindfulness and academics in her role there. She took several classes with Fran Grace, including her Compassion Seminar in 2009.



Rev. Simeon Whitney grew up in St. Louis, where he excelled in football and went to college on an athletic scholarship. Serving as a pastor for the A.M.E. Church, he carries his message of peace and hope into communities traumatized by racism, violence, and poverty. He was a recent participant in the inaugural course based on *The Power of Love* book, in the Certificate Program in Mental Health and Spirituality offered through the University of Redlands and the Applied Wisdom Institute of SFTS.



Jordan Decker grew up in Oklahoma and is the Executive Director of Trans HeartLine, in San Anselmo, from whence his compassionate efforts to build bridges between Faith, Spirituality and Gender reach far and wide to bring healing to the LGBTQ community, especially transgender persons. He was a recent participant in the inaugural course based on *The Power of Love* book, in the Certificate Program in Mental Health and Spirituality offered through the University of Redlands and the Applied Wisdom Institute of SFTS.



Amber Rose Bauer graduated ('19) from the Johnston Center of Integrative Studies, University of Redlands, where she took Fran's classes in Compassion; Mysticism; and Sufism. Her passions and studies circled around visual and expressive arts, psychology and somatic therapies, community health, environmental and social justice. She now lives in Woodacre, CA, works at the Tamalpa Institute, and pursues her other passions in local organizing, painting, and the healing arts.



Nina Newman graduated ('17) from the Johnston Center of Integrated Studies, University of Redlands, with an emphasis in *Embodying Non-duality: Buddhism, Sustainability and Creative Expression*. In addition to spending a semester of study in Bodh Gaya, India, she took Fran's classes in Mysticism and Getting High-Staying High: Paths to Peace and Happiness. She is now based out of the Bay Area as a healing artist emphasizing in the embodiment and expression of the Sacred Feminine essence.