



## Newsletter: January 2024

### Hearthstone Rituals

*Hearthstone doesn't expect everyone to enter  
in Perfect Love and Perfect Trust,  
as you may not know many of the other attendees,  
but to enter with a Willing Heart and an Open Mind,  
and leave your differences at the door.*

Some traditions are more controversial than others, or may contain a component that confuses or disturbs someone attending an Open Full Moon ritual. It is one of the risks of exploring different traditions. Should anyone be uncomfortable with a ritual presented by Hearthstone, please discuss your feelings with the Ritual Leaders or one of the Board members (Amy, Catherine, Sarajane, Hawk Shadow, Meowsha, and Arynne) so that we may hopefully resolve and heal your concern.

*Hearthstone is a safe and sober environment. Please respect your fellow participants by not attending ritual under the influence of drugs or alcohol.*



## OPEN FULL MOON RITUALS

*Join us in person at the Althea Center, 1400 Williams St, Denver  
Doors open at 7 pm, Announcements begin at 7:30 pm followed by ritual.  
No late entry after 7:30.*

**Hearthstone's January 19, 2024 Ritual is in person! Join us!**

**GUIDELINES** Covid is still among us and flu season is beginning! If you are sick or not feeling well, please stay home. Thank you.



**UPCOMING HEARTHSTONE COMMUNITY CHURCH  
OPEN FULL MOON RITUAL -**

**January 19, 2024**

*The Three Centers*

Many magical folk know about and work with the chakra system from the Hindu tradition, but not as many are aware of the western tradition of the three body centers – our head, heart, and belly/gut. These centers are sometimes referred to as the three cauldrons, three brains, or three centers of wisdom. Being aware of and keeping our centers in balance is important for living a healthy and happy life and as an added advantage, using all three centers helps us be successful in our magical workings. In this ritual we will work with our three body centers and will charge a stone for each center, using a different technique for each stone.

This ritual will be facilitated by Vella Rose (yes, there will be singing). Vella will be providing the stones we will be using, and the stones will be yours to keep. (*FYI – in her mundane life, Vella teaches geology and because of her passion for the Earth, finds herself using stones in many of her spiritual endeavors*).



## **THANKS AND A TIP OF THE HAT for the December 2023 Ritual**

We at Hearthstone thank Wellyssa for her incredible ritual in December!

To celebrate the December Full Moon, Wellyssa led us in a ritual designed to cast our intentions for the coming year into the sweet spot of the heavens with the Moon, Uranus, and Jupiter in retrograde: all in conjunction, working together. This gave us an opportunity to break free from our constraints and limiting patterns, and to look inward to discover what makes us truly happy – deep-in-our-soul happy if there was nothing to stop us? We set our intentions and then, with drum and dancing, we created the energy necessary to send those intentions onward, welcoming new inspiration, gifts, and freedoms into our lives.

Thank you, Wellyssa Spellson and friends for this exciting ritual!

Catherine

## Articles from our community members!



### **GUEST COLUMNS?**

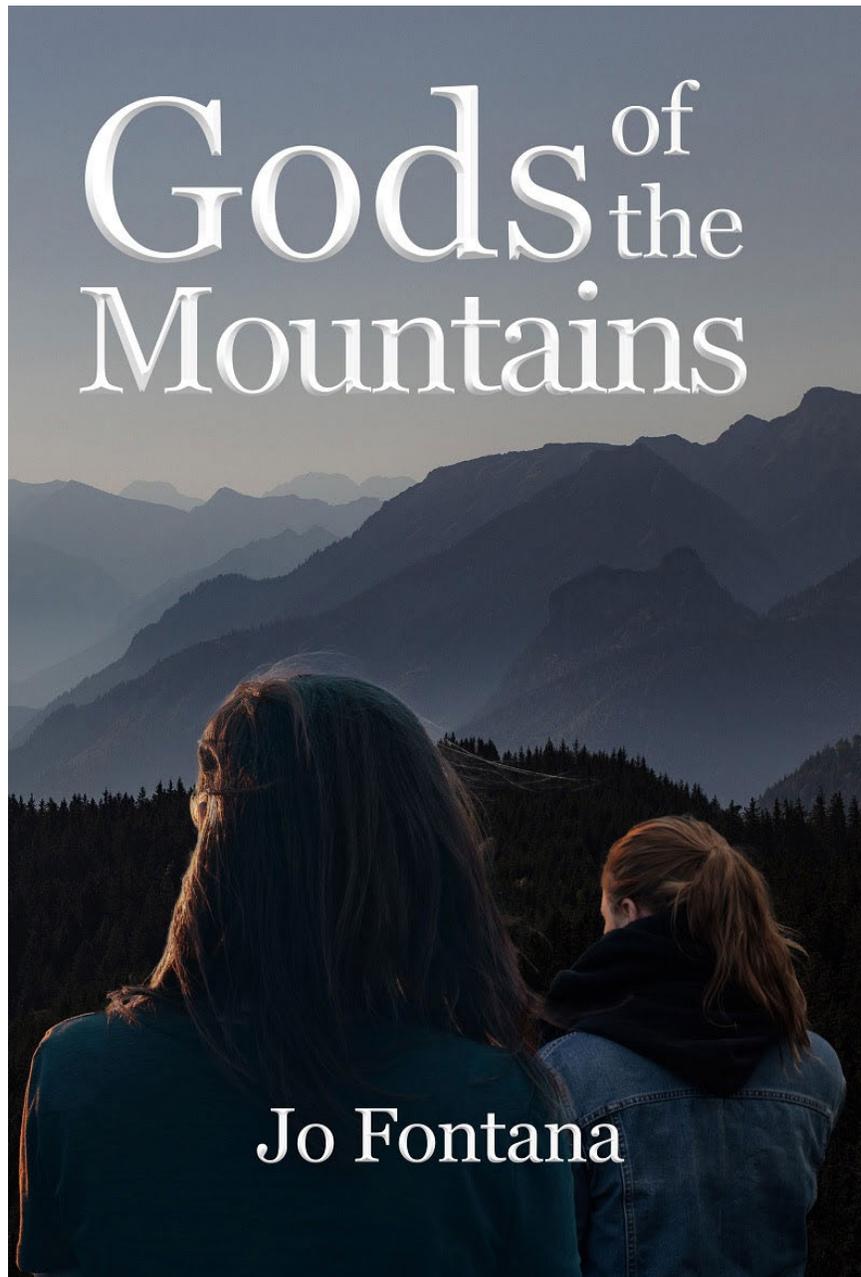
If you have something to say, and are willing to let Catherine edit it slightly, please feel free to submit your original writing to [fionnula.harp@gmail.com](mailto:fionnula.harp@gmail.com) Content will not be edited. We can usually make room for more voices. **We appreciate our contributors!**



**Hearthstone meets the Friday before or the Friday of the Full Moon. We meet in the Historic Library Room at the Althea Center for Engaged Spirituality, 1400 Williams St., Denver, CO. There are two small parking lots: to the north (next to the building) and to the east of the building (across the alley), each with spaces for 20 cars. Enter through the Main Door at the corner of Williams St. and 14<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

**The door opens at 7:00 pm, and we lock the door at 7:30 pm to secure the building. There are no late admissions.**

**Hearthstone Community Church Website Link:**  
<http://hearthstonecommunitychurch.org/>



### **Gods of the Mountains**

The highly anticipated second installment of the Gods series follows Katie through the second phase of her life as she is thrust onto the front lines due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Her role as a school nurse in Colorado begins to evolve through the responsibility of safeguarding the well-being of her students and staff in the face of a relentless and novel virus. She immerses herself in her work as she navigates shifting regulations and protocols, where the line between safety and uncertainty blurs with every passing day. Because she was also on the disease reporting hotline, Katie began to eat, drink, and sleep COVID.

Amidst the chaos and unrelenting pressure, threats to Katie and her family's mental well-being emerge. She longs to visit her hometown but is unable to make the trip during the first year of the pandemic. To combat the mental fatigue, Katie and her family make trips into the Rocky Mountains. Katie makes a plea to their mysterious gods, asking for their help in fighting the anxiety and fear that is threatening to overwhelm her. Through nature, Katie and her family strive to emerge unscathed from the clutches of the virus.

## General Community Information



### **Low-Cost Pet Cat Spay/Neuter & Vaccines & Free Spay/Neuter & Vaccines for Feral Cats**

[Spay/Neuter | Denver, CO | Dumb Friends League \(ddfl.org\)](#)

The Dumb Friends League offers affordable spay/neuter services to all owned pet cats and feral/community cats. The details, locations, and qualifications are at their web site above. They are able to offer these services thanks to the generosity of donors. They recommend that tame, friendly cats without owners be taken to an animal shelter for adoption.

At this time DDFL is not able to provide spay/neuter services to dogs, for-profit breeders, or rescue groups.

It takes ALL of us to reduce the overpopulation problem and move toward a world where all pets are loved and cared for. Thank you!



### **Priestess Support, Services, and Potential Presenters**

For Pagan or Wiccan clergy or for any other Hearthstone business, email us at [hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com](mailto:hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com)

If you would like to lead a future Open Full Moon, please contact the Board at [Hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com](mailto:Hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com)

Thank you for volunteering your talents!



### ***Donations in person or through Zelle!***

Thank you for supporting the work and service of  
Hearthstone Community Church.

We meet our expenses through the generosity of our participants and supporters. We accept donations at our in-person rituals, or if you prefer, you may contribute through **Zelle** instead. Zelle is a direct funds transfer method offered by most banks. It is super easy to use online and no fees are charged or withheld. Hearthstone is registered in Zelle by our **email address: [hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com](mailto:hearthstonecommunitychurch@gmail.com)** We suggest a donation of \$10-20/OFM. If you can't afford it, you are still welcome to participate. If you can afford more, we'll be delighted to accept it.

Hearthstone's primary expense is the rent for the room at the Althea Center. We appreciate any and all support from our community to help meet our obligations. Thank you!





### *UPCOMING 2024 OPEN FULL MOON RITUALS*

January 19, 2024  
February 16, 2024  
March 22, 2024  
April 19, 2024  
May 17, 2024  
June 14, 2024  
July 19, 2024  
August 16, 2024  
September 13, 2024  
October 11, 2024  
November 8, 2024  
December 13, 2024

**BLESSINGS from HEARTHSTONE COMMUNITY  
CHURCH!**

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