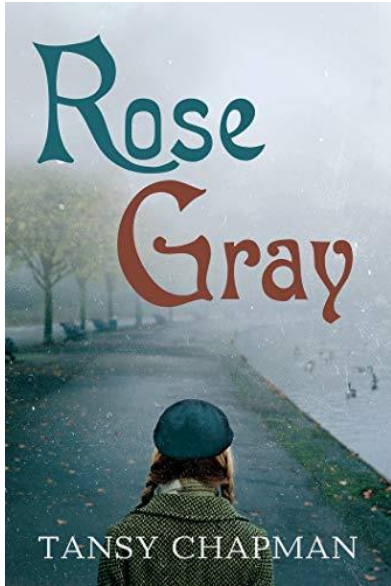


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Invites you to join us for a special upcoming event:

**Book launch and celebration of *two* books!**

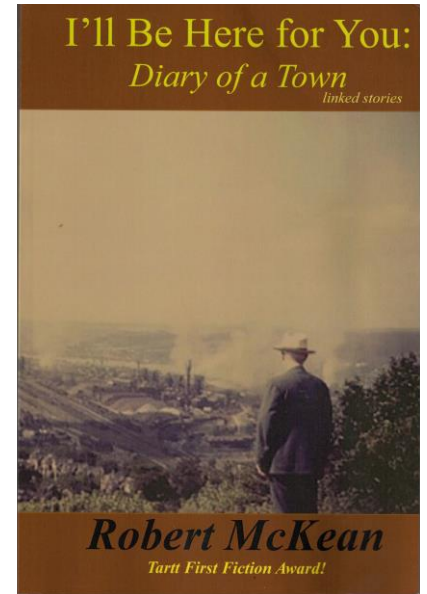


### Rose Gray

with author Tansy Chapman  
&

### I'll Be Here for You: Diary of a Town

with author Robert McKean



**Sunday, January 31, 2021**

**1:00 – 2:30 pm PT via Zoom**

### **Readings and Conversation**

moderated by authors, Kathleen Hirsch & Kevin McIntosh

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**Tansy Chapman**, a co-founder of Bethany House of Prayer, retired Episcopal Priest, spiritual director and writer, now lives in Mendocino, CA.

“Those who grew up in the aftermath of WWII in England’s North Country will find Rose’s story ringing true, ...readers who will accompany her on her journey will reap rewards that only good novels can give us, not least the challenge to revisit our own struggles towards self-understanding and emotional truth.”  
–Martin Smith, author and Episcopal priest.

**Robert McKean’s** short story collection *I'll Be Here for You: Diary of a Town*, published in 2020, was awarded first-prize in the Tartts First Fiction competition. His novel, *The Catalog of Crooked Thoughts*, published in 2017, was awarded first-prize in the Methodist University Longleaf Press Novel Contest. McKean, writes fiction set in and around hardscrabble Western PA towns. Visit: [www.robmckean.com](http://www.robmckean.com).  
“A masterful assemblage of tales that illuminate life in a flagging American town.” --Kirkus Review.

**Moderators:** **Kathleen Hirsch**, author of three books of creative nonfiction, including *A Sabbath Life: One Woman’s Search for Wholeness*. **Kevin McIntosh’s** short stories have appeared in journals including the *American Literary Review*, *Beloit Fiction Journal*, and *Chicago Tribune*.

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