



## **ROLAND MERULLO**

**Discusses Divisiveness in Politics  
and Religion**

**OCTOBER 16, 2017**

**7:00 PM to 9:00 PM**

**SAINT SUSANNA PARISH  
262 Needham Street  
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**Our country is divided by partisan politics.**

**Our world is torn apart by hatred and war.**

**How Should We Respond?**

**Join us for an evening with renowned author, ROLAND MERULLO, as he shares his perspective on dealing with the divisiveness of our times and engages your questions and concerns**

The notion of Jesus coming to earth and running for President was at the heart of one of Roland's novels, "American Savior" (published in 2008). Jesus, alarmed at how the U.S. has lost its compassion for the poor and the immigrants, dismayed at how his teachings have been distorted and used by politicians and religious zealots to turn love into hatred and faith into a call for arms, returns and announces he is running for President! The novel grew out of ideas Roland has wrestled with in many of his books: "How is one to behave in this imperfect world?" and "As Christians, what should our response be to the divisiveness and anger in America now?"

**Roland Merullo** is an awarding-winning author of 22 books including 16 works of fiction such as *Breakfast with Buddha*, *The Talk-Funny Girl*, *Vatican Waltz*, *Lunch with Buddha*, *Revere Beach Boulevard*, *A Little Love Story*, and *Revere Beach Elegy* ([www.rolandmerullo.com](http://www.rolandmerullo.com)).

Roland's latest novel is *The Delight of Being Ordinary: A Road Trip with the Pope and the Dalai Lama*, "a charming story celebrating connections over divisions that will especially thrill devotees of Merullo's *Buddha* Trilogy" (Booklist).

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