

Listening Hearts Open Minds

An Overnight
Retreat
for the
Diocese of WV

May 10-11

An overnight retreat to draw you deeper into relationship with God and Neighbor. Sign up now.

- Who:** For all who yearn to hear God's voice in their life...
and for those who long for civility in a world that feels divided.
- When:** Friday May 10 – Saturday May 11th.
Check in 3-6 p.m. Fri. May 10th - finish by 4 p.m. Sat. May 11th.
- Cost:** \$75 per person includes meals and lodging
- Where:** Bishop Hodges Retreat Center in Huttonsville, WV
- Why:** To learn how to engage in holy listening in *our* lives

On a spiritual level, people are crying out to connect with the Holy, and the church has not always been very effective in hearing that cry. That's why the art of listening is vital and essential in all our relationships. We cannot begin to listen to our soul until we first listen to God. Only then may God enable us to listen to ourselves, our neighbors, and the world. Come and hear how to deepen your relationship with God which enables you to listen to the very soul of another.

- Learn how to engage in holy listening.
- Increase your ability to discern and hear God in your own soul.
- Create a plan for listening as intentionality, obedience, intimacy, habit.
- Share this deep sense of God's presence with your family, work, community.

This year's retreat is based on *Listening for the Soul*, by Jean Stairs and led by the Rev. Brian Shoda, the priest at Zion Church in Hedgesville and St. Marks in Berkely Springs. Before coming into the Episcopal tradition, he served in the Catholic Church for 26 years. He is an outdoors man, who sees God in all things. He has lead retreats on the sacraments, human relationships, the problem of good and evil among others. We are excited to have him as our retreat leader.

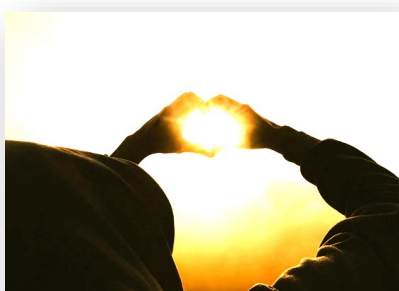
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See other side for schedule and registration forms ... due April 26th!**

Friday, May 10

- 3 to 6 Check in
- 4:30 Group gathers for fellowship and introductions/ice breakers
- 6 PM Dinner
- 7:30PM Sessions with presenter the Rev Brian Shoda
- 9:00 Social time – snacks and drinks
- 9:30 Taize Worship

Saturday, May 11

- 8 AM Breakfast.
- 9 -10 Retreat continues
- 10:20 Break
- 10:30– 12 Retreat continues
- 12 noon Lunch
- 1 –3 Retreat continues
- 3-4 Closing Eucharist and Dismissal ... drive safely!



Registration Form Due by April 26, 2019

Name _____

Church you attend (if any) _____

Address _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

I want a single room. I want a double room please assign a roommate.

I want to room with this person who is attending the retreat (a separate registration is required.) :

Name _____ email/cell: _____

My fee of \$75 is enclosed, made payable to the Diocese of West Virginia, please note: retreat fee.

**If the registration fee is burdensome for you or your guest,
 scholarships are available and happily given to those who ask for them.
 Simply email the Rev. Nancy Martin, say that you are interested
 in the Retreat Scholarship: nancyofmadamscreek@gmail.com**

Return by April 26, 2019

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