



Gretna Glen Camp and Retreat Center, near Mt. Gretna, PA is about 15 minutes east of Hershey, PA. Gretna Glen grew from the roots of Mt. Gretna Campmeeting that was founded in 1892 by the United Brethren Church. The success of that Campmeeting, along with many committed leaders and volunteers, provided for the journey into a new ministry built at our current location in 1959 as a part of The United Methodist Church. We celebrate the wisdom and commitment of those who planned for a place for all people to come and find joy in this sacred space.

Our campers and retreat guests come from all walks of life, denominations, and other organizations to enjoy our facilities and programs. We are grateful for the diversity of opportunities that abound from this space and enjoy being about to meet the needs of a variety of children, youth, adult and special needs groups. Gretna Glen has a year round staff of 6 dedicated people, a summer staff team of 40 and over 150 volunteers that serve with us throughout the year. Together we provide a safe environment that gives opportunities for growth in relationships for self, community and with Jesus Christ.



Young People's Ministries, comprising dual emphases on Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministries, strives to create connections in ministry and fellowship among members of each age-group so they can grow together in Christ, as they discover empowered, fulfilling lives grounded in faith.

We focus on faith formation, principled leadership development, mission engagement, communication, cooperation and advocacy.

In the process, we seek to cultivate unconditional love, self-worth and peer support among young people, and to foster their social activism for peace and justice. We draw our inspiration and ideas from the diverse experiences of youth and of young adults who are active in their churches and communities.



ACTIVELY DISCOVERING HUMAN DIVERSITY

A WEEKEND RETREAT
MARCH 3-5, 2017
AT GRETNA GLEN
FOR YOUTH IN
GRADES 8 – 12





What is Diversity?

The impact of the answer to this question, reverberates through all our interactions and our relationships. Diversity can create division or inclusion depending on YOU! This weekend is specifically designed to explore the concept of Diversity and Human Relationships. At the end of the program you will be able to:

- Define Diversity
- Identify where Diversity creates division in your life
- Identify where Diversity creates inclusion in your life
- Practice tools to utilize the power of Diversity in your personal life and relationships

Schedule - March 3rd—5th, 2017

Friday Night:

- ◆ Registration from 7:00-7:30 pm
- ◆ Welcome & Opening Activities
- ◆ Diversity Simulation & Debrief
- ◆ Closing, Snacks, and Hanging Out

Saturday:

- ◆ Morning Devotions
- ◆ Diversity Simulation & Debrief
- ◆ Games reflecting Diversity
- ◆ Diversity Simulation & Debrief
- ◆ Worship Planning by Participants
- ◆ Campfire, Singing, and S'mores!!

Sunday:

- ◆ Intentionally Diverse Worship
- ◆ Closing and leaving by 2:00 pm!

Active participation is essential.

Meals will reflect cultural diversity.

Bishop Johnson will join us on Saturday.

Cost & Location

Space is limited to 24. Cost is \$95 (a \$20 discount) with available scholarship help if needed. Register on-line at www.gretnaglen.org or call the Gretna Glen office at 717-273-6525! Contact Carlen Blackstone at blackstonec@verizon.net or Dave Piltz at dpiltz@epaumc.org for more information.

Facilitators

[Rev. Dr. Anita Powell](#) currently the Central District Superintendent. She has served as associate pastor of West Chester United Methodist Church, and as the founding pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Open Door in Kennett Square, PA. She has also served on the Board of Ordained Ministry, Conference Relations Committee, Deacon-Elder Work Team, and as a candidacy mentor.

[Dave Piltz](#), MFT, is a facilitator, trainer, author and consultant and has created and implemented diversity training in a variety of settings.

[Carlen Blackstone](#) is a high school educator, volunteer camp director, small group leader, and active lay member of Allentown: Asbury UMC.