

Rector's Note

9.11.25

The program year is about to start, the weather is changing, and there is anticipation in the air. St. Martin's was not exactly sleepy during the summer, but soon we will be absolutely abuzz with activity. The weekend of Nov 8-9 will be especially packed, with a rector installation Saturday and stewardship/St. Martin's Day Sunday. There will also be the Art event, and many fantastic music events, including Evensong at the Philadelphia Cathedral!

Before the frenzy starts, at work, school, and church, you might want to plan some quiet time away. We have a great group signed up for the Fall Retreat at Trinity Retreat Center in Connecticut, but there is still room for you! And there's just a week or so left to register, so please reach out if you've been interested but have not yet signed up.

We will continue our fun and exploration of some of the stories of the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible we began last Lent. We will have a bit more time in this retreat, to review what we learned last spring (or hear it the first time), and to reflect on what these stories mean for our individual and collective stories.

We will have plenty of time to rest, walk the grounds, and read. We will enjoy delicious food together, and pray as a community with the retreat center chaplain, The Rev. Mark Bozzuti-Jones.

Every retreat is made better by a diversity of voices and questions for discussion. Consider giving yourself the gift of time away in a beautiful setting. This retreat is more of a time and financial commitment than last spring's was. If finances are making you hesitate, please ask for a partial scholarship and don't let that be a barrier.

Hope to see you there!

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