

*Feeling called to a day of spacious grace and peace
to open more fully to the mystery of God's love?
You might want to consider...*

The Anchorage ZOOM "Desert Days"

First Fridays in Even Months

Aug. 7 (Christina), Oct. 2 (Susan), Dec. 4 (Peggy)

9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Come away for spacious silence within a gentle rhythm of music and reflection both together and in solitude, allowing the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and our hands through the mystery of discovering more deeply our true source of inner peace, healing and guidance.

The theme for the year is John 17, "That all would be one." Our Desert Day Leaders will bring unique content and style to our three days. The main point of the day is to spend time in quiet with our holy and loving God. (Dec. will include an Advent theme.) A possible schedule will be:

- 9:30 Light a candle to honor God's presence – then an introduction to the space and to each other
- 10:00 Opening Prayer, comments on topic, with handout for reflection
- 10:20 Find space to be with God – sit quietly, walk
- 11:30 Lunch – all together. We will use lunch to ask this question for the group to share "What are you learning from God, what has God been saying to you, over the last 2 months?"
- 12:30 Regather in prayer, comments on topic, simple handout for reflection
- 12:50 Find space to be with God
- 2:00 closing prayer
- 2:30 adjourn

Within the unhurried rhythm of the day, find a place that nurtures your soul, maybe outside, with as few distractions as possible, and just "be." Sense God within you; respond with your heart.

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Location: **Your own quiet space using Zoom. We just need a correct email address for you.**

Fee: \$20 (since you will need to print your own copies, provide your own quiet space and lunch)

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Name: _____ **Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Desert Day Date(s): _____ \$10 Dep _____

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