

## CLERGY RETREAT DIRECTORY Spring 2022 Edition



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# WHY CLERGY RETREATS?



In the pace of non-stop living, retreat is the pause. In a world of noise, retreat is the quiet. In the days full of video meetings, tasks, and demands, retreat is the time to simply be. In a culture of screens and social media, retreat is the walk amongst the trees.

A spiritual retreat is not a work retreat. It is sacred, slow, creation-touched time. Retreat is NOT a luxury, it is a basic spiritual discipline of exceptional value. Retreat is to a healthy spiritual life what vegetables are to a healthy diet.

The sites included in this directory offer free or reduced cost retreats to United Methodist clergy. The sites listed submitted their information to be included in this resource. There may be other UM camp and retreat centers in your area that also offer special rates to clergy. All clergy are encouraged to reach out to the camp and retreat centers in their area to learn more.



## NORTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION



#### Storm Mountain Center

South Dakota

We offer lodging and food on a donation basis for all UMC clergy and their immediate family! Access is based on availability. Lodging and food options are based on availability

For more information contact Lara Ziegler - <u>lara.ziegler@dakcamps.org</u>



# East Bay Camp & Retreat Illinois

Clergy and year-round camp leadership accommodations offer a studio setting, with a queen-size bed, sitting area, and a modest kitchenette and bath for a suggested donation of: \$50/1-2 nights; \$75/3-4 nights and \$100/5-7 nights. Meals are available for \$15/per person/day if the dining hall is open. 5G internet on site. With manager approval prior to arrival, leashed pets may be welcomed. East Bay Camp is a great place apart for fishing and sailing. Reservations: 309-365-7531



#### Little Grassy Illinois

Clergy and year-round camp leadership accommodations offer a private 2 bedroom/1 bath cabin, full-kitchen, and sitting area for a suggested donation of: \$50/1-2 nights; \$75/3-4 nights and \$100/5-7 nights. Meals are available at \$15/per person/day if the dining hall is open. Internet access on site. With manager approval prior to arrival, leashed pets may be welcomed. Little Grassy offers extensive hiking trails and climbing opportunities. Reservations: 618-457-6030

## NORTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION CONTINUED



#### Lake Michigan Camp

Michigan

Need a little time away? United Methodist pastors are invited to reserve our Pastor's Cabin for a FREE weekday personal/family respite (Monday-Thursday) or a half-price weekend, \$50/night (Friday-Sunday). This lovely cabin sleeps 4-6 (1 double, 1 futon, 1 bunk bed), includes heat, a/c, a full kitchen, bathroom with shower, outdoor picnic table and fire ring. Enjoy the best sunsets on Lake Michigan. Call 231-869-5627 to reserve. Learn more about this RV campground (open May 1 - Oct. 15) at <u>www.lakemichigancamp.org</u>

## NORTHEASTERN JURISDICTION



#### Aldersgate

Rhode Island

Clergy are welcome to The Lodge for a for rest, relaxation, and renewal. Families are welcome too! The Lodge can sleep 12 in three bedrooms, and includes a kitchenette and laundry facilities. Clergy renewal bookings are offered at \$200 per week. To inquire, email john@campaldersgate.com or call 401-568-4350.



#### Olmsted Manor

Pennsylvania

We offer a discount of 50% off the cost of lodging for stays from July 1 - August 31. Good for personal/family retreats; not usable for programmed Olmsted events.

Please check with Olmsted when booking to determine if meals are available during your stay. Meals are not included in the discount and will be charged at the regular rate. When staying in the Manor or Carriage house you may prepare your own meals. Direct any questions to <u>al@olmstedmanor.org</u>.

To make a reservation, please complete the scholarship application <u>https://www.olmstedmanor.org/clergy-respite-scholarship.html</u>

## SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION



#### Camp Tanako

Arkansas

Located in Hot Springs, on beautiful Lake Catherine, Tanako welcomes all to come and retreat with us in our recently restored 1950s cabin. This 2 bedroom/2 bath cabin is furnished and has all your basic amenities. Meal service will be on your own and we can provide a list of local favorites. The cost is \$75 per night and reservations can be made by emailing tanako@tanako.org.



## Glen Lake Camp

#### Texas

Conveniently located only an hour from the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, Glen Lake Camp welcomes pastors for a time of rest, renewal, and adventure in our beautiful 100 acre setting along the Paluxy River. Glen Rose has all the charm of a small Texas town with abundant sightseeing including golf, frisbee golf, Fossil Rim, Dinosaur State Park, Big Rocks Park, and a variety of great restaurants. A variety of lodging options are available (<u>www.glenlake.org</u>). Please contact Amanda Garza, Guest Services Director at <u>amanda@glenlake.org</u> or 254-897-2247 for availability and discounted pricing.



## Mount Eagle Retreat Ctr

#### Arkansas

Located in the eastern part of the Ozarks, surrounded by the middle fork of the Little Red River. Mount Eagle welcomes individuals and groups to retreat and take time for holy listening. We offer a range of accommodations: a small cabin that sleep up to 2 people (Hermitage), two cottages that sleep 8 each (Cabe & Hodges), and two lodges that sleep up to 32 people (Beal & Kaetzell). Each building has is own kitchen and all but one of our buildings has Wi-Fi. If you need a solitude retreat, staff or church wide retreat consider staying with us. Hermitage Cabin is \$40.00/nightly, Cabe & Hodges Cottages is \$30.00/nightly per person, contact us for our lodges' rates. Check out our website: <u>www.mounteagle.org</u>, Email: <u>info@mounteagle.org</u>, Phone: 501-723-4580

## SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION



#### Camp Bays Mountain

Tennessee

Our camp and retreat center is located in beautiful upper east Tennessee within an hour and a half of the Appalachian Trail, Gatlinburg, the Smokies, and the Virginia Creeper Trail. Our new Sabbatical Cabin and retreat lodge is available outside of the summer camp season for clergy, lay church professionals and their families for a place to rest, study, and recreate. A suggested donation of \$50 per night is welcome, and clergy/laity leaders from our two owner districts can stay free for a night in the Sabbatical Cabin. Bays Mountain Park and Planetarium is adjacent to our property and offers hiking/biking trails, pontoon boat rides, observatory, planetarium, nature exhibits, and more. Come camp with us at a place set aside for experiencing the love of Christ in the glory of God's creation. <u>www.CampBaysMountain.org</u> or call Jeff Wadley at 423-349-8401.



## Lakeshore

#### Tennessee

We offer our sabbatical cabin as a gift to clergy and suggest a \$75 donation per night to help cover utilities, linen, and housekeeping of the cabin. There is not a limit on nights spent at the cabin as long as it is available. Family and spouse are welcome to come as there is a king bed on the first floor, a full bed and three twins on the second floor. A full kitchen and all kitchenware are provided. There is a grill along with a fire ring. For more information email our office at <u>office@lakeshorecamp.org</u>

## SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION CONTINUED

#### Lake Junaluska

North Carolina

Clergy can stay at a discounted rate all year round. Meals are provided if we are serving another guest group. Spouse and family are welcome. For more information, contact Mike Huber - <u>mhuber@lakejunaluska.com</u>



### Camp Alta Mons

Virginia

We have the Mountain View facility specifically for clergy retreats. Roanoke District UMC Clergy can stay for free (up to 3 nights) in a 4 bedroom/2 bathroom house (Mountain View) at Alta Mons. They are welcome to bring their family! We do this as a "thank you" to the Roanoke District for their apportionment to us as a District Camp & Retreat Center. Contact the office for more details office@altamons.org

## Asbury Hills

South Carolina

We provide a place for our UM pastors to retreat free of charge. Their families are welcome. Their work is too important for us to not support them and care for them the way they care for us on a weekly basis. This is usually a night or two but we are willing to have a conversation if they need a longer period of time or sabbatical. Contact Retreat Director, Chris Hulme for more information - <u>retreat@asburyhills.org</u>

## SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION CONTINUED



## Camp Tekoa

Camp Tekoa offers a wonderful place for spiritual renewal. Nestled in the mountains of North Carolina on 130 acres of land, it is the perfect setting to get away. We offer Thrushwood Lodge seasonally to Pastors in need of retreat. The lodge has three bedrooms, two baths, a kitchen and living room with a wood stove. The nearby area offers a great downtown, hiking, waterfalls, views and lots of other scenery to explore. Pastors may stay for a discounted rate of \$100/night based on

availability. Families are welcome! www.camptekoaretreats.org



#### Chestnut Ridge

#### North Carolina

Located in the rolling hills of central NC the Wardlaw Pastoral Retreat Cottage sits beside Lake Fellowship in the middle of 362 acres of forest. The fully accessible cabin features an open floor plan with a living room, dining area, two bedrooms, one bathroom and full kitchen stocked with all essentials for cooking. One bedroom has a queen bed and the other has a single-over-double bunk bed. Linens provided. Cost is \$95 per night for UMC Clergy.

https://www.campchestnutridge.org/pastoral-retreats\_



# Don Lee

The Wardlaw Clergy Cabin at Don lee Center is a climate controlled, fully functional home away from home, overlooking the Neuse River Estuary. This is the perfect stay for sabbath, family time, study time, and much more. The space is equipped with 3 bedrooms (1 loft), 2 bathrooms, a living and dining space, a kitchen with a stovetop, mini fridge, microwave and coffee maker. Wardlaw Clergy Cabin rate is \$70 per night. To reserve please contact Mykela Bricka at mykela@donleecenter.org or 252-249-1106 ext. 27. For more information visit <u>donleecenter.org/wardlaw-clergy-cabin.</u>

## SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION CONTINUED



## Rockfish

North Carolina

Rockfish Camp and Retreat Center has been used by God in powerful ways over its fifty-plus years. Nestled on 486 acres in the Sandhills region of North Carolina at the intersection of three counties, our camp is ideally placed for a great experience for all guests. At camp we offer a pastoral respite retreat a discounted rate of \$50 to clergy members, their families are welcome to join them. Pastoral respite guests at Camp Rockfish are housed in our Bergland Retreat Center which is a full-service retreat and conference center complete with hotel style rooms perfect for quiet time, rest, relaxation, and prayer. On our campus we have various activities available that do not require staff to facilitate which are open to our pastoral guests such as horseshoes, disc golf, hiking trails, and more. For more information please email info@camprockfish.org

## WESTERN JURISDICTION



#### Wallowa Lake

Oregon

This camp was designed for adults and families. Our accommodations include deluxe cabins with bathrooms, linens, log beds, handmade quilts, carpeting, mini-fridge, microwave, etc... We also have really nice rustic rooms with new shower houses as well as a couple of older cabins, RV spots, and tent sites. The camp can either be a place of quiet and solitude or guests can walk to a street full of fun; tram up the mountain, mini-golf, hikes, horses, lake with swimming, fishing, boating, ice cream, go-carts, gift shops, etc...We are driving distance to the adorable town of Joseph, OR. The camp includes a 24-hour beverage bar in the lodge, gaga ball, basketball, volleyball, swings, table tennis, campfire circle, and many outdoor games. Clergy are welcome to come alone, with a spouse, friends, family .... Prices vary depending on housing, a discount of 20% off for United Methodist clergy family (no discount for extended family or friends). Amount of nights would depend on what is available. Meals are amazingly delicious and plentiful! Sorry, no pets are allowed at camp! For more information contact Peggy Lovegren wallowalakecamp@gmail.com



#### Camp Magruder Oregon

We have a guest house with 2 bedrooms/5 beds total, 1 bath, kitchen, wifi, and laundry. We work to be flexible with the number of nights based on need and our schedule. We welcome spouses and family, and they typically fit comfortably in the Guest House. We make the space available free to UM Clergy (donations welcome) if they are coming for respite, sabbath, or study.

Camp Magruder is on the Oregon Coast. The Pacific Ocean is a short walk from the door of the Guest House. For more information contact Troy Taylor - <u>troy@campmagruder.org</u>

## WESTERN JURISDICTION CONTINUED



## Mariposa Retreat Center

California

Clergy are welcome to stay at a discounted rate of \$350 per night for lodging for the whole house, adjustable depending on the group. Spouses or family are welcome to come as well. For more information contact Kenny Funk - <u>kfunk@calpacumc.org</u> and visit .<u>mariposaretreat.org</u>



## Birchwood

Alaska

We offer clergy discounted rates on all available lodging. Meals are provided when other groups are being served. Contact Relena Lyddon Myers for more information - <u>director@birchwoodcamp.org</u>



#### Mingus Mountain Camp Arizona

Our 2 motel-style rooms are perfect for UM clergy and their families to find rest, renewal, and connection. Both rooms have a private bathroom, 2 twins beds, a microwave, and a mini-fridge. We offer these spaces free of charge but always welcome donations to further the ministry. For more information contact Jonathan Gowan- at jonathan@dscumc.org

## WESTERN JURISDICTION CONTINUED



#### Camp Indianola

Washinton

Clergy staying at Camp Indianola have the opportunity to stay right on the Puget Sound, with panoramic views of Seattle, Mount Rainier, and the Olympic and Cascade Mountains. We offer housing in our Cottage, renovated in 2014, which includes a kitchen with appliances and pots and pans, a lovely master suite, 6 twin bunks, and a television. Clergy are welcome to stay by donation (required if outside of the PNW Annual Conference), up to Monday through Thursday. For more information and to schedule a retreat, please contact <u>office@campindianola.org</u>.



# Waller Center

Located in the heart of San Francisco, this urban retreat center offers the chance to get away from the mundane and get excited about life! The Waller Center has two guest rooms that are free for clergy use and bunk beds for teams that are \$25.00 per person per night. Explore city life in any direction using some of the country's most convenient public transportation: whether you want to meditate in the Japanese Tea Garden, eat seafood at Pier 39, stroll Ocean Beach, get inspired at the Legion of Honor art museum, or simply get closer to others by volunteering with the Haight-Ashbury Food Pantry, you can do it with the Waller Center as your home base. Contact <u>office@wallercenter.org</u> to make your reservation.

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## The 7 Foundations of United Methodist Camp & Retreat Ministry:

Provide Sacred Places Apart

**Nurture Christian Faith & Discipleship** 

Extend Christian Hospitality & Community

Develop Principled Spiritual Leaders

Partner With United Methodist Churches & Agencies

**Teach Creation Care and Appreciation** 

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