

Come to the Fall Retreat!! This Coming Saturday!

Corvallis Friends Fall Retreat, this Saturday, November 8 at the Beazell Forest Education Center, 37283 Kings Valley Hwy., northwest of Philomath, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Carpooling is recommended; parking at the Center is extremely limited. Please gather at the Meeting House at 8 a.m. Cyclists, call Jay Thatcher or John Selker in advance and plan to meet at 6:45 a.m. Directions are below.

This is a day for our meeting to come together and deepen our communication and common understanding about questions such as:

- Where are we coming from spiritually?
- What do we want to create together this upcoming year?
- What do we want our spiritual community to look and feel like?

Please see the agenda on the reverse side of this page for more information on the day's events. Note that the format of the day would benefit from your presence for the whole day, but if that is not possible, please try to be present for either the entire morning or entire afternoon session.

We will be sharing a potluck lunch. The center has a refrigerator, but no freezer or oven. We will be bringing several stovetop burners and one microwave to the facility, so some warming up will be easy to do. We will not have a conventional oven available to us; please bring any casseroles or other items for baking in glass or ceramic containers.

If child care is needed, please let Emily Barry know ASAP.

Driving and biking directions: Beazell Memorial Forest is located 15 miles from Corvallis on the King's Valley Highway (#223). From Corvallis, take Highway 20 for five miles past Philomath, turn north onto Kings Valley Highway at Wren, and drive 4.7 miles to the park entrance on the right (east) side of the road. Please do not park on the turf.

Agenda for the November 8 Retreat

Time	Activity	Purpose
8:30 a.m.	Arrive, coffee and tea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather together
9 a.m.–10 a.m.	Silent worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center and connect
10 a.m.–10:15 a.m.	Sharing of hopes and concerns for retreat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice expectations, hopes, and concerns • Review agenda
10 a.m.–11:30 a.m.	Open space group discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spend time on topics of personal interest • Meet, discuss, listen, and learn from others
11:30–1 p.m.	Set up and eat lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share food together • Time for walks and talks
1 p.m.–3 p.m.	Facilitated group discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entire group comes together • Create space for creative insights • Create group safety through deep listening and sharing
3 p.m.–3:30 p.m.	Facilitation wrap-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarize day's work and insights • Identify next steps • Conclude with reflection of day's process
3:30 p.m.–4 p.m.	Silent worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center and connect