# FaithFormation Roundtable

September 24, 2020

## Opportunities this Fall

- Discover Online Course
- Education for Ministry
- Online Cohort for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany
- Fall Quest–Saturday, November 14
- Becoming Beloved Community with Catherine Meeks
- Journey to Bethlehem–Registration opens October 7
- LGBTQIA Welcoming and Inclusion Event

#### Providing Faith Deepening Hybrid Experiences

- Gathering with intention: to help have deep experiences of God.
- Hybrid combines different modes and technologies, i.e., Zoom, Canvas and common individual activities away from Screens
- Synchronous and Asynchronous
- Online and away from screens
- Seeking meaning and connection: not as a substitute for physical in-person gatherings and encounters, but as a new way of gathering and helping people deepen their faith

## Why It Worked: The Hybrid Camino

- Participation near and far
- Shared leadership
- Large-group teachings and small group intimacy
- Asynchronous and in-person
- Flexibility provided by online components
- Ability for each person to craft unique experience
- Opportunities to reflect
- Ability to track progress
- Rituals and symbols allowed for expressions of prayer, wonder, and gratitude
- Onboarding people

#### Rounding out Hybrid Offerings with Time away from Screens

- All screens and no play makes for quick Zoom fatigue.
- The freedom to find their own discoveries allows God to move personally in the participant's heart.
- Learning to find God in our daily lives teaches lifelong faith formation skills.
- Makes it an experience and not just a course.

### Roundtable Covenant

- Invite each person to share by mutual invitation
- Listen reflectively and receive the gifts that each person offers
  - Connect afterwards to explore further
- Be open to new ideas
- Be mindful of the time

# Questions for Reflection

- What hybrid experiences have you offered or participated in?
- Is there a hybrid experience you are considering this fall?
- What is inspiring you?
- What are you wondering about?

## Next Roundtable Gathering...

#### October 22