THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN COLORADO CLERGY SPOUSE AND PARTNER RETREAT CATHEDRAL RIDGE, WOODLAND PARK, CO NOVEMBER 3-5, 2022

Join with other clergy spouses and partners from throughout the diocese as we learn together, spend time in God's big book of the universe (nature), and fellowship with one another. Elizabeth Denham Thompson will be our primary resource person and facilitator for the retreat. Elizabeth is an ordained minister, counselor, and congregational and clergy consultant specializing in organizational development and systems theory (see bio below).

On Thursday evening we gather to watch the recently released movie *Encanto*. On Friday and Saturday, drawing on movie themes, Elizabeth will lead us in exploring how awareness of family systems dynamics can enhance our own relational systems—be it a couple, family, congregation, or workplace—and help us identify ways we can contribute to the well-being of ourselves and the people around us. Our schedule also provides ample time for rest, recreation, and refreshment while we're at Cathedral Ridge.

This is a retreat for clergy spouses and partners who often do not have the opportunity to have their own set-apart time for rest, renewal, and connection with God and one another. If having onsite child care is necessary for you to participate, please contact Mark Retherford (mark.d.retherford@gmail.com) as early as possible to discuss your needs. Also, contact Mark if you'd like to participate in carpooling to this event.

Because of a generous sponsorship from The Episcopal Church in Colorado, the cost for the retreat is only \$25 per person. 22 rooms in the lodge are available. If more than 22 people register then additional space on campus will be explored, including asking attendees to double-up in sleeping rooms. Please register by October 1, 2022, to guarantee lodging.

Please contact Don Richter (donnicht@bellsouth.net) with any questions. We hope that you can join in on November 3-5!

Thursday

3pm-5pm Registration

5pm Reception

6pm Dinner

7pm Introductions and Opening Remarks

Watch ENCANTO

9pm Vespers

Friday

8am Breakfast

9am Family Systems Session

12pm Lunch

1-5pm Free time and Optional Activities

(Hiking or Guided hike*; Labyrinth, Climbing

Wall/Ropes course*???)

5pm Reception

6pm Dinner

7pm Family Systems Session

9pm Vespers

Saturday

8am Breakfast

9am Family Systems Session

10:30am Break/Checkout of room by 11am

11:00am Evaluations and Discussion; Sending liturgy

Noon Sack Lunch