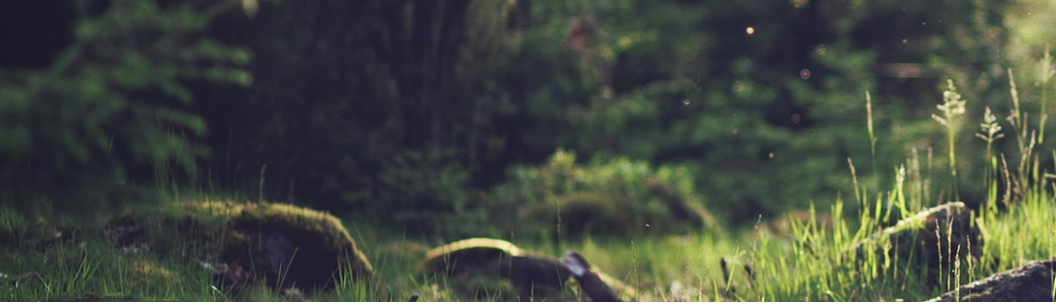




Art of Holy Listening

Spiritual Direction Training
February 2023 - October 2025



The Art of Holy Listening is a three year spiritual direction training program hosted by Center for Sacred Space, Inc. This training is suited for those who sense a call to compassionate listening and companionship others on their spiritual journey. It is suited also for those drawn to growing in attentiveness to God's movement in their lives and hunger for deeper intimacy with God within spiritual community.

EXPECTED OUTCOME

- Lifelong compassionate listening skills
- Strong community development between participants and training staff
- Personal transformation and deeper inter-personal relationships
- Certification as a trained spiritual director

RYTHYM

Each Gathering has a daily contemplative rhythm of worship, faculty presentations by Dr. Heidi Miller, silent reflection, sabbath, and small group supervision sessions.

Spiritual direction is the practice of being with people as they attempt to deepen their relationship with the divine and to learn and grow in their spiritual journey. The person seeking direction shares stories of their encounters with the divine or how they are cultivating a life attuned to the Spirit.

***As a fully-inclusive community,
we believe everyone belongs.***

HOLY LISTENING *is hearing what a person tells us and letting their story unfold at their pace and brings one to a richer understanding of God's unconditional love for us through our acceptance of one another.*

- Tom Lambert

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Participants will learn the art of holy listening through lectures, discussions, experiential learning, required reading, and practicum work.

Year One - 2023

Feb. 16 - 19 // Introduction to Sacred Listening

Apr. 27 - 30 // Discovering Belovedness

Oct. 23 - 26 // Awakening to Spirit and Becoming a Beloved Community

Year Two - 2024

Feb. 6 - 9 // Sacred Listening and the Journey of the Soul

Apr. 24 - 27 // Learning to Listen in Painful and Anxious Places

Oct. 21 - 24 // Building Beloved Community: Listening as an Act of Justice

Year Three - 2025

Feb. 4 - 7 // Sacred Listening and Spiritual Discernment

Apr. 24 - 27 // Discernment with Communities: Incarnational Soul Tending

Oct. 20 - 23 // Extending Beloved Community through Spiritual Direction

ENROLLMENT

Tuition // \$550.00 per Gathering (Scholarships available)

Application and \$60.00 *non-refundable registration fee is due by 12/1/2022*

Space limited to 30 participants

To register click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code below with your mobile device to be taken to our online application form.



TESTIMONIES

"I was hungry to find a spiritual rhythm for my life that would sustain me. Not only do I have a spiritual rhythm now, but I learned to help others find theirs as well. Watching others grow deeper spiritually is so rewarding. The spiritual rhythm I learned grounded me during the pandemic."

- Chris Ross

"Spiritual direction training is one of the most significant things I've done and is inseparable from who I am these ten years later. It helped me "become who I am" - who God created me to be and to gain an ongoing understanding of God, myself, and others. I gained a community of like-minded companions - a "pearl of great price" so important when traveling the life-giving, yet countercultural way of Jesus."

- Sonja Crawford

"My time in spiritual direction training was and continues to be the most spiritually transformative period of my life. I learned another way of being with all that is Holy, and the spiritual practices I learned forged a new way of listening to God, myself, and others, which made it possible to persevere in the face of great pain and suffering. It was a truly sacred moment in kairos time."

- Deb McCranie

"Spiritual direction training was a soul-refreshing oasis for learning and practice. I recommend this community experience for all desiring to explore new depths of sanctification."

- Rev. Dan Morris

LOCATION

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