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Flying Solo Singles Retreat

October 11-13, 2019 Loyola on the Potomac Faulkner, Maryland The Rev. Evangeline Taylor, leader

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Enoch walked with God; then he was no more, because God took him. (Genesis 5:24)

One person towered above those of his generation and impressed multitudes for centuries that followed. Enoch did not become great because of his scholarship, successful statesmanship, military renown or philanthropic achievements—but because he was with God and thereby pleased God. If for 360 years Enoch could walk with God in a sinful world, how could it be considered impossible for us to walk with God today?

Join us for a time away with God as we explore Biblical characters like Enoch who chose God to guide them on their walk. We will examine the reasons for walking with God, what the walk requires of us, and how it can change our lives. We will delve into questions of faith, engage in conversation and prayer, and enjoy relaxation and reflection together as men and women of faith on our walk with God.



Having fun on last year's retreat.

About Our Retreat Leader

The Rev. Evangeline Taylor retired from fulltime ministry in the National Capital Presbytery after serving several churches in the DMV. Ordained in 2000 following a 23-year military music career, her call to ministry has included serving as a hospital chaplain, solo pastor and most recently as an associate for Pastoral Care. She joined the staff of Westminster in September of 2018 as the Director of Seniors Pastoral Care.



Evangeline received her Master of Divinity degree from the Virginia Theological Seminary here in Alexandria. She and her husband, Jeff, live in the Mt. Vernon area and have two adult daughters and three grandchildren.

Schedule

Friday Evening

Arrive as early as 4:00 p.m. and enjoy beautiful views over the Potomac, nearby walking trails, and settle into your room. A 15-minute orientation by Loyola staff begins at 6:45 p.m. Dinner is served at 7:00 p.m.

After dinner we'll introduce the program with Evangeline, then enjoy informal fellowship time with games, puzzles, and snacks.

Saturday Morning

Begin the morning with an optional walk on the nature trails, followed by Session 1: Walking with God, and Session 2: Walking Beside Jesus.

Saturday Afternoon

Free time to reflect on our morning sessions and to explore the area around Loyola. Take a walk, meditate with music, journal "without words," go on an outing, or just relax and enjoy the peace and quiet.

Saturday Evening

Before dinner, we'll offer an optional wine tasting. After dinner, we'll have a time of prayer: Walking to the Wall, then have a time of fellowship and a movie.

Sunday Morning

We will conclude our time together with Session 3: Walking in the Spirit and an interactive worship time followed by lunch. Departure after lunch.

About Loyola on the Potomac

www.loyolaonthepotomac.com

Loyola is a Jesuit Retreat House in Southern Maryland, situated on a bluff overlooking the Potomac River. There are 235 acres of woodlands laced with numerous paths for all to enjoy. With its woods, small riverfront beach, and spectacular sunsets over the Potomac, Loyola has offered thousands of retreatants the opportunity to experience the joy and serenity of God's presence. Constructed in 1958, the retreat house today welcomes men and women of all backgrounds, and invites us to "Come Aside and Rest Awhile."



There are two Stations of the Cross walks which you can do on the grounds at Loyola as well as wonderful views of the Potomac River. In addition to the beautiful grounds and walking paths at Loyola, there are many interesting places of historic interest and natural beauty in the area as well, which you may explore on your way down Friday, or on Saturday or Sunday afternoons.

Lodging

All of the lodging rooms at Loyola are single rooms. Each room has a half bath (toilet and sink). Men's and Women's Shower Rooms (with private dressing areas) are down the hall. There is one handicapped accessible room available with private shower in the room. The cost includes two nights and six meals (Friday dinner through Sunday lunch).

Cost and Registration

\$245 per person (single rooms only)

Register by Wednesday, September 25.

Some scholarship help is available as needed. No refunds after the deadline, except in case of emergency.

Register at <u>wpc-alex.org/flying-solo</u> or return your completed registration form to the church, Attention: Nancy Hall Berens. Make checks out to **Westminster Presbyterian Church** with a note for **Flying Solo Retreat** or pay online at <u>wpc-alex.org/giving</u>. About two weeks prior to departure, you will receive more retreat information including directions, housing, and other logistical details.

More Information

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