

WEDNESDAY AWAY SCHEDULE 2024 - 2025

October 2: "Turning" led by Laurie Matarazzo

As the leaves turn and the seasons turn, we will explore our own turning and where it takes us.

November 6: "Citizens with the Saints" led by Dale Selover

On this day after the election we will gather for healing prayer. We will also reflect on St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians and what it means to be "citizens with the saints."

December 4: "Holy Darkness, Holy Light!" led by Wendy Abrahamson

Advent has dawned! The journey of darkness to light is upon us. You are invited into the havens of quiet and stillness as we begin this season of Advent.

February 5: "Wintering" led by Kayla Hopgood

Like the barren trees surrounding us in this season, there are also seasons of our lives when we feel stripped to the bare bones, exhausted and worn out. But even in the season of winter, new life is taking root. Utilizing Katherine May's writing as inspiration, we will look at the power of rest and retreating in difficult times.

March 5 (Ash Wednesday): "A Different Kind of Fast" led by Dale Selover

Fasting is not just the physical practice of giving up food. Fasting can also be a way to combat our culture of endless distractions and busyness. Fasting is an act of letting go, of making more internal space to listen to the sacred whispers of our lives. Using Christine Valters Paintner's "A Different Kind of Lent", we will explore ways in which we might feed our true hungers throughout this holy season.

April 2: "Lenten Lost and Found" led by Carrie Allport

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven and whose sin is put away!
Psalm 32 is a reminder that Lent offers us a special invitation to self-examination and repentance, but what all does that entail? Are you ready to consider all of the steps from contrition to repair that await those who believe in the power of Jesus Christ's resurrection? Reconciliation and renewal are never lost causes, but just waiting to find and be found by you this Lent.

May 7: "Music and Meditation" led by Linda Walker

Music can provide a way to communicate with our feelings, especially when we have no words for them. Since ancient times music has provided an international language to communicate joy, sorrow, praise and community. We will explore and listen to a variety of music that can be paired with scripture, psalms, and Christian community.

June 4: "Creating a DreamSpace" led by emilie boggis

Theologian Tricia Hersey remembers running through her ever-working grandmother's house to find her resting. Taking a moment in a machine-paced culture to close her eyes, resist the temptation to be productive, and reconnect with one's deepest self. Today we will dive into the practice and power of rest, opening up a DreamSpace to reconnect and reimagine what is possible.

