

# Living Your Calling: A Lutheran Women's Retreat on Vocation and Prayer

March 7/8, 2025

Spring Hill Retreat Center 3991 E Renner Rd, Richardson, TX

## Friday 3/7

**5:30-6:15 Arrival, set up for dinner, collect donations for food pantry**

**6:15-7:45 Soup Soiree Social/ Recipe Exchange**

-Please bring a soup for sampling and the recipe on 20 index cards (feel free to photo copy). Everyone will go home with a recipe book full of soups to share and someone else's soup. There is a full kitchen, so crockpots are welcome. (If your schedule doesn't allow you to bring a soup, please still feel free to join us).

**8pm Heartfelt Connections: Sharing Christ's Love Through Crafting Cards of Comfort**

-A session dedicated to sharing Christ's love through handmade cards and heartfelt messages. As we create, we'll reflect on how God calls us to encourage and uplift those who are sick or struggling, as well as celebrating joys and life changes with each other, following Paul's words in 1 Thessalonians 5:11: "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up." Come enjoy fellowship, creativity, and a meaningful way to serve others in Jesus' name.

**9:30 Candlelight Evening Prayer at the on-site chapel**

Anyone who is interested in staying the night is welcome to. Bring your own bedding (bare bunks are provided).

## Saturday

**8:30 Breakfast**

**9:20 Matins at the chapel**

**9:45 Anchored in Purpose: Identifying Your Vocations and Those You Serve**

-We will explore how God calls each of us to various vocations- as family members, friends, workers, and servants of our neighbor. Grounded in Luther's teaching on vocation, this session will help you reflect on your God-given roles and discover how to faithfully live them out in service to others. With the pressures and opportunities to do so much, our vocations can help give us clarity to focus on the things we are given to do and set aside the things we aren't. Through this understanding of vocation, we'll be encouraged to see our daily lives as opportunities to share Christ's love in concrete ways.

**11 Break, Work on Vocation Notes**

**12pm Lunch, Free time to continue to work on cards or notes, time to enjoy the grounds**

**1:30 Called to Prayer: Crafting Prayer Journals For Vocation and Daily Prayer**

-We will dive into the centrality of prayer in nurturing our vocations and connecting with God and our neighbor in our every day lives. Participants will create personalized prayer journals to center their prayer life around their roles in the family, community and church, while also developing daily habits of prayer and study that encourage staying connected to the body of Christ. Together we will explore how prayer journaling can strengthen our faith and help us stay anchored in God's guidance as we serve others.

**3 Outside time/ Group walk**

**4pm Closing Vespers at the chapel**

**\*To Bring: Bible, Soup, copies of soup recipe, Bedding and things for staying the night (if staying).**

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**\*\*Please detach and include with your cash or check payment to Faith Lutheran Church (Women's Retreat in the memo) and drop in the basket in the narthex.\*\***

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

I am going to attend Friday (\$20) \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday (\$20) \_\_\_\_\_ Both Days(\$35) \_\_\_\_\_

I am going to stay the night Y/N \_\_\_\_\_ I need a ride Friday night to retreat \_\_\_\_\_ to home \_\_\_\_\_

To pay with Zelle: 214-926-1098 Please type Women's Retreat in the memo line, and text Alissa at 469-264-1556

**with the answers to the above questions. Please RSVP by 3/2/25.**