
Register now

Contact Jared Greer, Reservations Manager at Blowing Rock Conference Center @ jared@brccenter.org or by calling him at (828) 295-7813.

- Total cost for an individual — Monday - Wednesday — is \$171.00
- Total cost for an individual — Sunday - Wednesday — is \$211.00 (including Sunday dinner)
- Options are available for adding a day before or after event. Indicate to registrar if you are interested in a shared meal on Sunday evening.
- Lodging: \$70 for the first night, and \$30 for each additional night
- Meals: 2 breakfasts / 1 lunch / 2 dinners @ \$61.00
- Conference Facility Fee / \$10.00

When registering, communicate with Jared Greer about the following:

- Day of arrival and approximate time of arrival for 1 or 2 people.
- Are you arriving on Sunday and interested in an evening meal at the Conference Center?
- If you are leaving before Wednesday please let BRCC know.
- Do you require a ground floor room or do you have a room preference?
- Do you have any dietary requirements? Please discuss with Jared Greer who will put you in touch with Linda Smith, Food Service Manager.

Driving Directions

To Blowing Rock Conference Center

Blowing Rock Conference Center is located in the town of Blowing Rock. At the stoplight at the corner of NC Highway 321 Bypass and Possum Hollow Road, (Shoppes on the Parkway is located at this intersection), turn on to Possum Hollow Road. When you have turned onto Possum Hollow Road:

- Follow Possum Hollow 0.7 miles to a stop sign.
- Turn LEFT onto Sunset Drive. Continue 0.2 miles to the stop sign
- Turn LEFT onto Goforth Road and continue for approximately .6 miles; you will see the entrance to BRCC just ahead on your right.
- Turn RIGHT and follow the road to the main parking lot.



Retired Servants 2024 Fall Retreat

Blowing Rock Conference Center

October 14, 15, 16

Monday - Wednesday (with optional Sunday arrival)



Retired Servants Retreat 2024

Southern Conference UCC
Southeast Conference UCC

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Nurture

The soul should always stand ajar, ready to welcome the ecstatic experience.

— Emily Dickinson

Play

I marvel that we adults choose seriousness more often than playfulness.

— Rachel Hackenberg

Immerse

You cannot depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus.

— Mark Twain

Relax

Almost everything will work again if you unplug it for a few minutes... Including you.

— Anne Lamott



Biography of presenter:

Rachel Hackenberg is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, working in the National Setting as the publisher for The Pilgrim Press. Rachel is the author of several books, including *Writing to God* and *Denial Is My Spiritual Practice*, and a writer for the *Daily Devotional*. She posts reflections and prayers at rachelhackenberg.com.

Retreat Theme:

Lessons from Jonah – The dramatic story of Jonah is a critical parable for our time, when traumatic headlines consume us like a whale and hope is hard to find in its belly. Our retreat will point toward (and practice) honesty, creativity, and community for the cultivation of faith in a world of stress.

Session 1: Uncertainty & Opportunity

Session 2: Preservation & Planning

Session 3: Blame & Belonging

Session 4: Silence & Struggle

Session 5: Judgment & Grace