

Ecumenical Community of Michigan Retreat (formerly "LARC")

"Beholding God in Creation"

Monday, October 10, (4:00pm) to Thursday, October 13 (1:00pm)

At the Augustine Center of the Sacramentine Monastery

2798 North US 31, Conway, Michigan 49722 (Petoskey area)

Our Retreat Leader for 2022 is **Brother Michael Whitman**

Br. Mike Whitman is a Roman Catholic contemplative who has lived a monastic life in the Carmelite tradition, for the last 47 years - making his perpetual vows 45 years ago. He lives in Tawas City, MI. His active career was centered around faith formation, and youth ministry. He also organized and led retreats during this time. In 2008, he participated in a Men's Rites of Passage that added a whole new level of awareness to his spiritual journey. After his retirement in 2009, Mike continued his work as a spiritual director. He was trained in a program sponsored by the Dominican Sisters in Grand Rapids, MI. He finished his masters degree in spirituality from Loyola University in Chicago, with a focus on male spirituality, in 2011.

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In this retreat, we will expand our awareness of God's presence in creation and notice how nature speaks to us of life and faith. We will rest and reflect in natural areas around the retreat center. We will share our experiences of beholding God in creation.

We gather not only bearing the flag (so to speak) of our particular traditions, but as spiritual people learning from one another. We build the relationships upon which we build the ecumenical conversation.

Bring along a folding chair for outdoor sessions, and a journal and pen. And bring along a friend from your tradition or another.

[How to Register for the ECM Retreat](#)

Individuals: \$ 255 (payable to "Trinity Episcopal Church")

(Married couples: \$ 430)

(Commuters: meals, no overnight \$170)

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Directions

From Petoskey: North on US-31, pass M-119 stoplight, 2.7 miles, on right just before Crooked Lake.

From I-75: Exit 310, west on M-68, follow curves through Indian River, to US-31 in Alanson, south through Alanson, Oden, and Conway, on left just past Crooked Lake.

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Denomination / Ministry setting _____

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