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From the North

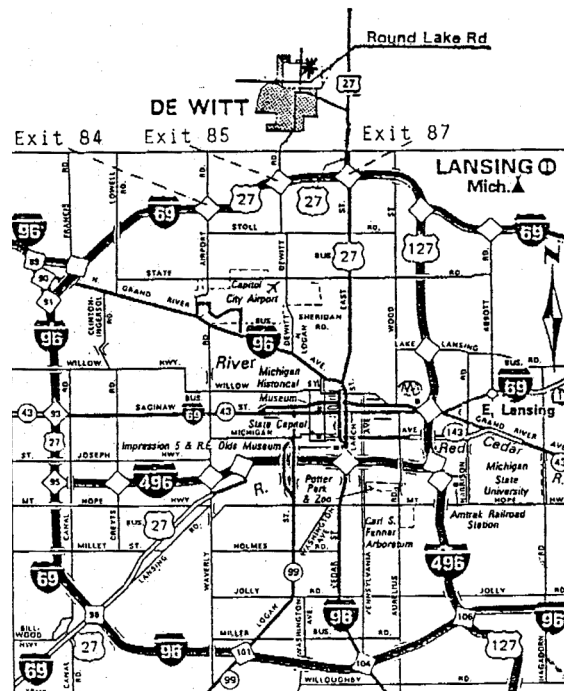
South on US-127 to the Round Lake Road/DeWitt exit. Turn right on to Round Lake Road (Round Lake Rd. becomes Main St. as you enter DeWitt). Approximately one mile to fork in road. Stay left. Proceed to traffic light at Business 27. Cross Business 27 and continue on Round Lake Road about 1.5 miles. Retreat Center is on your right.

From the South and East

Take US-127 North (follow signs to St. Johns and Clare) and take the DeWitt/Round Lake Road exit. Turn right on to Round Lake Road (Round Lake Road becomes Main Street as you enter DeWitt). Approximately one mile to fork in the road. Stay left. Proceed to traffic light at Business 27. Cross Business 27 and continue on Round Lake Road about 1.5 miles. Retreat Center is on your right.

From the West

East on I-69, take exit 85, go North on DeWitt Road to the 2nd stop light. Turn right or East on Main St. about 1/2 mile to Retreat Center on your left.



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Pastors In Transition

For Clergy and CREs in
New Calls and Interims
And Other Clergy Interested
In Leading Transition



Conversations about Leadership

October 30-31, 2017

Monday Lunch (noon) through Tuesday Lunch
Registration begins at 11:00 AM

St. Francis Retreat Center
DeWitt, Michigan

Sponsored by:

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Schedule of Events

Monday, October 30

- 11:00 am Registration
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Welcome, Introductions, Orientation
1:15 pm Opening Worship
 We praise God and listen for God's call
1:45 pm Emmaus Walk (conversation in pairs)
 What is our purpose as a church?
2:30 pm Break
2:45 pm Presentation and Small Group Conversation
 Challenges to Courageous Leadership:
 • Nostalgia
 • Empathy
 • Division
4:15 pm Free Time
6:00 pm Dinner
7:00 pm Presentation and Small Group Conversation
 What are we willing to risk?
7:45 pm Worship
 We pray for healing and transformation
8:30 pm Party and conversation

Tuesday, October 31

- 8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Presentation and Small Group Conversation
 Guidelines for Courageous Leadership:
 • Wrestle Aspirations down to Outcomes
 • Ask Provocative Questions
 • Define the Mission Field
 • Allocate Resources to Purpose
10:30 am Break
10:45 am Presentation and Individual Time
 Creating What Needs To Be
 What am I called to do now as a leader?
11:30 am Closing Worship
 We rededicate ourselves to God
12:00 pm Lunch and Departure

Preparation/Format

All discussions at this retreat will reflect on an article written by the Rev. Dr. Gil Rendle. Rendle, who has done much writing on leadership today, urges the church to select a mission based on answering three questions: Who are We? What is our Purpose? And Who is our Neighbor? The article we will read is "Be Strong and of Good Courage: A Call to Quiet Courage in an Anxious Time" (Texas Methodist Foundation, August, 2016). The article is a sequel to Rendle's book Doing the Math of Mission and previously published articles.

The article is about courageous, purposeful leadership. It includes the topics of

- Knowing what to be Afraid of
- Three Challenges to Quiet Courage
- Lessons Learned about Quiet Courage So Far

Groups will discuss the articles in a "listening circle" format. Participants are asked to read the articles in advance and come prepared to share their reflections and experiences.

The article is on-line at:

<http://pbydetroit.org/mPIT.htm>

Expected outcomes:

1. Build a network of pastors
2. Find spiritual refreshment
3. Examine and reflect on one's leadership

ALL attendees will have a private room and bath with linens provided.

Please bring walking shoes.

You MUST RSVP by Monday, October 9, 2017.

The next Pastors in Transition event will be **January 28-30, 2018** at DeWitt.

REGISTRATION FORM ~ Pastors In Transition October 30-31, 2017

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

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Special Medical and/or Dietary Needs _____

My check for \$ 175 (payable to Presbytery of Detroit—notation Pastors In Transition Workshop) is enclosed.

Return form by **October 9, 2017** to: PIT Retreat, Presbytery of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, MI 48235