Faith Forming Faith

May 12-14, 2017 at St. Andrew Lutheran, Pittsburgh

Pastor Paul E. Hoffman and Donna Linn, Leaders

This event is designed to assist congregations in enhancing their ministries to welcome persons into a community of faith and prepare them for a lifelong journey of discipleship, beginning with Baptism. It is modeled after the ancient catechumenal process and twenty years of spiritual renewal at Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church in Seattle.

What Is a Faith Forming Faith Training Event and why should I come to one?

Every healthy congregation wants to share its greatest treasure, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

These days it has become harder and harder to do that. Many of the assumptions by which congregations operated around "welcoming new members" in a by-gone era no longer work for "raising up disciples" in the present.

Most people who come to a faith community seeking something need time to raise questions, to learn to know who Jesus is and why that might matter to them, and to thoughtfully prepare before plunging into baptismal waters.

Based on 20 years of experience of bringing adults and children to the waters of Baptism and beyond through a yearlong discipleship process, this event will take participants through the entire church year in a single weekend. Placed in small groups for Bible study and walking the actual path of a disciple-in-formation, those who participate will not only have a rich and satisfying time of spiritual renewal for themselves, they will return to their congregations prepared to initiate a process of welcome and discipleship in their own communities.

The registration fee includes all training, materials, and six meals over the course of the weekend. It is important to the integrity of the training that participants attend the entire event. Travel to Pittsburgh is for each participant to arrange. A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at a group rate at the Hyatt House hotel within walking distance of the church. Reservations can be made by calling 888-545-8207 and referencing "St. Andrew Conference Group" or at http://pittsburghbloomfield.house.hyatt.com/pitxpgstlc2017.html





www.faithformingfaith.com To register, please email FaithFormingFaith.St.Andrew@gmail.com or send registration form to St. Andrew Lutheran Church (Address Below).

For more information, please visit

For:	Pastors/Rostered Leaders, Laypersons, Students
Date:	Friday, May 12 at 5:00 pm to Sunday, May 14 at 2:00 pm
Where:	St. Andrew Lutheran Church 304 Morewood Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15213
Cost:	\$75 for 1 person or

\$200 for 3 or more people registering from the same congregation

