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## Date of Retreat

Monday, April 30 (4PM) through  
Tuesday, May 1, 2018 (4PM)

## Facilities

The St. Benedict Center near Schuyler, Nebraska (1126 Rd. I) will be home for the retreat. It is a non-profit, ecumenical retreat and conference center founded by the Missionary Benedictines of Christ the King Priory. For more information on the retreat center and directions, please visit [www.christthekingpriory.com](http://www.christthekingpriory.com).

## Bring

Your Bible, note-taking materials and personal items. Dress is casual.

## Cost

\$110.00 for three meals, overnight double-occupancy lodging and discernment retreat. (Plus, retreat attendees will receive a \$25.00 discount on the program application fee, should they decide to apply.)



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# Discernment Retreat: Discerning God's Call to Spiritual Direction

Hosted by **Seeking the Spirit Within,  
The Nebraska Synod Institute for Spiritual  
Direction Formation**

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*Because of an increasing desire among leaders for spiritual formation and retreats, the Nebraska Synod offers Spiritual Direction Formation through Seeking the Spirit Within. Consider exploring your call to such ministry and learn how you might enter the program of certification and what is required.*

## Who should attend?

- Are you on a personal spiritual journey, committed to a faithful prayer life, and will reflect on and share your inner experience?
- Do people seem drawn to you for a discussion of spiritual questions?
- Is God calling you to companion others on their spiritual journey?
- Do you seek a strong foundation from which to refine your skills to respond to God's call?

**If you answered "yes" to these questions, consider attending this exploration retreat!**

## Program Leadership

Connie R. Stover,  
Certified Spiritual Director



Connie's life's ministry has been focused on cultivating growth in love and understanding of herself and others, the world in which we live, and the God who invites us into relationship and wholeness. She has a B.A. in Education from the University of Nebraska at Kearney, was commissioned as an Associate in Ministry of the ELCA in 1986; earned an M.S. in Education from UNK in 1999; is a licensed mental health practitioner and professional counselor in the state of Nebraska.

Connie is a member of First Lutheran Church in Kearney and Spiritual Directors International, and is currently serving as Director of Seeking the Spirit Within.

## Desired Outcomes

1

Explore the ministry of Spiritual Direction

2

Learn what certification requires

3

Experience elements common to Spiritual Direction

4

Understand the vision and needs of the Nebraska Synod for Spiritual Formation

## Who is this for?

This retreat is for adults, 35 and older, who feel a call to serve in the church. Regardless of where you are on the discernment journey, you are welcome. Come, learn about your call, and the options of pursuing it!

*This retreat and Institute for Spiritual Direction is sponsored by the Nebraska Synod, and is open to Christians of all denominations. To learn more, call Connie Stover at 308-440-4450.*