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I-5 South from Seattle/Tacoma

Exit 109, Right turn onto Martin Way,
Right onto College St, Right at second
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I-5 North from Portland
Exit 108, Follow College St. sign, Left
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LISTENING WITH THE SPIRIT

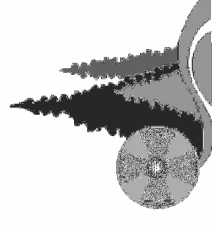
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Listening with the Spirit

is a two year formation/discernment process.

In the context of community, participants are invited to explore and develop attitudes and skills appropriate for those called to the adventure of serving as a spiritual companion.

Class is limited to 18 participants.

Formation Process

First Year

The first year includes:

- A variety of approaches to spirituality and prayer
- Faith-sharing, group spiritual direction
- Integration of psychology and spirituality within the ministry of spiritual direction
- Skills needed for the art of direction
- Ongoing discernment for the ministry
- Language for understanding and expressing the inner journey

Second Year

The second year is a year of experience in Spiritual Direction which includes:

- Topical presentations relating to direction and spiritual growth
- Supervised experience of spiritual direction
- Experience of individual and peer group supervision
- On-going discernment for the ministry

Meeting Time

Class meets Monday afternoon from 1-4 pm, beginning mid-September 2010 through early May 2011. There will be no class on the Sisters' silence day which is usually the second Monday of the month.

Admission Criteria

The program is ecumenical in character and is open to people of who are:

Prayerful persons able to listen to God, self and others

Grounded in a faith tradition

Able to demonstrate basic competencies in contemporary scripture, theology and psychology

In a spiritual direction relationship with someone trained in spiritual direction

Has made a silent retreat

Able to articulate a sense of call to this ministry

Available for an interview with the program staff

Staff

Listening with the Spirit is led by trained staff members of the Priory Spirituality Center and other invited experts.

Staff biographical information available on request

Application Procedures

Call or write for application materials.

Applications will include:

References

Brief spiritual autobiography

Initial interview with staff team

Interview

Interviews will begin in the January prior to the start of the program year and will continue until class is filled.

Candidates will be notified of interview results in a timely fashion.

If accepted, candidates will be asked to make a non-refundable deposit of \$100. (Deposit will be credited to tuition.)

Program Fees

\$50 application fee to be submitted with application materials.

Full tuition fees are set on a yearly basis but will run about \$3,500 for the full two years. This is subject to change.

Full payment or half year payments