

ESCAPE WEEKEND

...life in abundance

**NOVEMBER 5-7, 2021** 



## THE BASICS

#### The Place

Shrine Mont is a place where people are more important than things; where rest and recreation are more important than appointments and tasks. It is a "place apart" where, having weathered the pandemic (!), we can connect and laugh again together, share stories and set life down for a while. Shrine Mont is a place for all of us to play and celebrate life in abundance.

### Where is Shrine Mont?

Shrine Mont is nestled among the trees at the foot of Great North Mountain at Orkney Springs, VA, in the Shenandoah Valley, less than two hours from Falls Church Presbyterian Church.

### **Programming**

In John 10 Jesus says, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." But, what does it mean to live life "abundantly?" There will be options on Saturday morning for adults, youth and children of all ages to dive into what it means to live "life in abundance" in body, mind and spirit.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

#### **Accommodations**

Lodging is in cottages reserved exclusively for FCPC use. Typically meals are served and eaten family style in Tucker Lodge. During the pandemic, meals in Tucker were served cafeteria style and guests had the option of sitting inside or outside, if they preferred the open air, or taking their meals, boxed, and returning to eat in their cottages. Our hope is that by November 2021, Covid protocols will have been greatly relaxed.

#### Free Time Activities

Shrine Mont has something for everyone – unless you are looking for TV! Activities include hiking, star-gazing, porch-sitting, sleeping, playing music with friends, reading, games, tennis, pickleball, walking the labyrinth, exploring the surrounding woodlands, communing with nature, and getting to know your fellow escapees better, or finding a quiet spot of your own.





## WHY COME?

There are hundreds of reasons why you should come.

#### Here are a few:

- · Escape to the hills and celebrate the easing of the pandemic
- Home-cooked meals (that you don't cook)
- · Beautiful mountains and trails
- · Programs for children, youth and adults
- · Porches with rocking chairs
- · Cottages with working wood-burning fireplaces
- · Bonfire with s'mores and singing on Saturday evening
- · Woodland labyrinth
- · Pickleball and tennis
- Did we mention Escaping?

Plus... Some of our own nursery staff will join us to provide child care, for ages three and under, during adult programming and Saturday afternoon relaxation. We will worship on Sunday morning in the beautiful open-air shrine, the Cathedral of the Episcopal diocese of Virginia, which owns Shrine Mont.

## **PRICING**

### **CHILDREN**

Age 0-3: \$0

Age 4-12: \$70

### **YOUTH & ADULTS**

Single Occupancy Room: \$250/person Double Occupancy Room: \$190/person Family Maximum Cap: \$525/family

### **T-SHIRTS**

Available to add-on: \$10 each

all prices include 2 nights lodging, all meals (Friday dinner-Sunday lunch), snacks, s'mores, and so much more





### REGISTRATION & DEADLINES

REGISTRATION IS OPEN MAY 3 - AUGUST 1
Reserve your place now with a non-refundable deposit of \$100/household

Pay in full by Tuesday, June 1, to receive a \$25 discount/household

Payment can be made <u>online</u> or by check. For check payments, please indicate Escape 2021 in the memo line of the check and mail to:

Falls Church Presbyterian Church 225 E. Broad Street, Falls Church, VA 22046

In 2019, the space we reserved filled up quickly and we had to create a waiting list. In the end Shrine Mont found space for everyone who wanted to go, but those waiting weren't assured of a room until shortly before Escape Weekend. Please REGISTER EARLY and avoid the wait list problem.

### **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW**

# **QUESTIONS?**

Visit: <a href="www.fallschurchpresby.org/escape">www.fallschurchpresby.org/escape</a> or Ask anyone on your Escape Planning Team

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#### Also...

Please don't let cost keep you from attending Escape 2021. Scholarships are available; speak to James, Diane, or a member of the Escape planning team. Funding requests will be held in confidence. If resources permit, please consider contributing to our scholarship fund.







