## 2018 Bishop's Retreat

May 2-4, 2018

## Camp Hebron

www.camphebron.org

## 957 Camp Hebron Road, Halifax PA 17032

# WHAT WE NEED IS HERE: RESTORING RURAL VOICES FOR A VIBRANT CHURCH

The Bishop's Retreat for 2017 will be held May 2-4 at Camp Hebron in Halifax, PA. Nestled along the Appalachian Trail just north of Harrisburg, they have 340 acres of wooded sanctuary. Camp Hebron is only 8 miles northeast from the bridge at Duncannon and just a few miles from the junction of Routes 147 and 225 south of Halifax.

We will stay in the Sylvan View all-in-one retreat center, which features 35 comfortable motel-style rooms accommodating up to 4 people each. There is a private bath in each room and linens are provided. The camp has hiking and walking trails for various abilities. Other possibilities include walking the Prayer Labyrinth, a full-size gymnasium, bike riding, and sitting by a campfire.

Our Retreat begins on May 2 at 11:00am and concludes at 11:30am on May 4. The agenda will include worship, prayer, group discussions, conversation with the bishop, and plenty of time for personal and group reflection and recreation.

This year will feature presentations by the Rev. Sam Chamelin. Pastor Chamelin is the son, grandson, and great-grandson of Carroll County, MD dairy farmers, so he knows the hard work, passion, and commitment of rural life, and he dedicated his studies at Gettysburg Seminary to studying rural ministry and serving rural communities. After serving in full-time ministry for 12 years, he knew that God's call was to develop a church that would honor rural life and faith, and respond to the urgent issues of healthy food security, the ecological crisis, and rural degradation.

In 2016, Sam founded The Keep & Till, a new church community whose mission is to make rural disciples of Jesus Christ to serve rural communities. In doing so, K&T believes that they'll see rural renewal through sustainable agriculture and ecological conservation, rooted in radical Christian faith. K&T is a leader in the mid-Atlantic in using agriculture as spiritual formation as a means to discover a more sustainable and just world for all.

Sam is also a Re:Generate fellow through Wake Forest School of Divinity's "Food, Health, and Ecological Well Being" initiative. FHEW is the premier development cohort for emerging leaders in the fusion of faith, environment, and agriculture. As part of Wake's programming, he is the co-host of the "Food and Faith" podcast.

Cost for registration by April 15, is \$248 single; \$144 double

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#### REGISTRATION

Form and payment must be received by April 15, 2018
Space is limited and may fill up early.

#### **Registration Fees:**

\$248 single occupancy \$144 double occupancy

Name:	Phone:
Address:	
City:	Office Use Only
Zip code:	Date rec'd:
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<ul> <li>Single (\$248)</li> <li>Meals only (no breakfast; \$66)</li> </ul>	Check #:
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Special dietary restrictions:	

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