

# Holy Listening in a Circle of Trust

An Introductory Retreat Based on the Work of Parker J. Palmer

Thursday–Saturday, September 16–18, 2010

All Souls Cathedral • Asheville NC

This three-day retreat will provide an opportunity to:

- Learn to listen deeply and to trust that we have innate wisdom and vast inner resources.
- Learn how to ask open, honest questions, of ourselves and others (this is harder than we may think).
- Experience a Clearness Committee.



**The Clearness Committee process** is a powerful tool for discernment. According to Parker Palmer, “The function of the Clearness Committee is not to give advice or ‘fix’ people from the outside in but rather to help people remove the interference so that they can discover their own wisdom from the inside out.” To learn more about the process, visit: <http://www.couragere renewal.org/parker/writings/clearness-committee>

## RETREAT LEADERSHIP

This retreat will be led by Circles of Trust® facilitators Karen L. Jackson, Ed.D., Center for Courage & Renewal; and John Fenner, B.S., Program Director for the Center for Courage & Renewal’s *Courage to Lead for Clergy and Congregational Leaders*.



## LOCATION AND COST

The retreat will be held at the Cathedral of All Souls, in Biltmore Village, Asheville, NC. Space is limited to 30 participants. The cost for the retreat is \$350 (includes meals and materials).

The retreat will begin at 2:00 pm on Thursday, September 16, and conclude with lunch on Saturday, September 18. Deadline for registration is Sept. 2, 2010.

If you have questions regarding the retreat, or for more information on the Clearness Committee process, contact Robbin Whittington at Center for Spiritual Resources.

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