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# Words that Heal

Pastor + 1 Retreat

*Camp Friedenswald  
October 2-4, 2020*

Sponsored by  
Central District Conference  
and  
Allegheny Mennonite Conference



Pastors of Mennonite congregations attend to the spiritual health and well-being of congregations and community. Often pastors provide support to parishioners who are facing deep pain, conflict and trauma. Sometimes pastors experience trauma themselves either from past experiences of abuse or crisis, from unhealthy congregational relationships or from secondary trauma as they walk with others through their pain.

Central District Conference and Allegheny Mennonite Conference have teamed up to provide a weekend retreat open to all CDC and AMC pastors and either their spouse, a friend, or a support person.

Joni Sancken Associate Professor of Homiletics at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio will be the resource person. She will provide a two-hour presentation on Saturday morning based on her recent book, *Words that Heal: Preaching Hope to Wounded Souls* (Abingdon, 2019).

## Register

Cost is \$50/person. Registration deadline is September 15. Space is limited so register early. There are scholarship funds available upon request to help with travel and childcare costs.

You may register online at [www.mcusacdc.org](http://www.mcusacdc.org) or email [office@mcusacdc.org](mailto:office@mcusacdc.org) with the following information. You may also send the registration form to the conference office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No of people attending

Name of Spouse or + 1  
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Single people will be sharing a room with at least one other person.

*The retreat is made possible through a Thriving in Ministry Grant from Eastern Mennonite University.*

## Schedule

### **Friday**

6-7p - Arrival, check-in (no meals available)  
7-8p - Welcome and introductions  
Free time

### **Saturday**

8:30a - Breakfast  
9-11a - Words that Heal presentation  
11a-12:30p - Free time  
12:30p - Lunch  
1:30-5:30p - Free time  
5:30p - Dinner  
6:30p - Free time  
9:00p - Optional campfire

### **Sunday**

10:00a - Morning Prayers  
10:30a - Brunch  
11:30a - Free time  
3:00p - Departure

Joni will also be available throughout the weekend to meet one-on-one with pastors and/or their guest.

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