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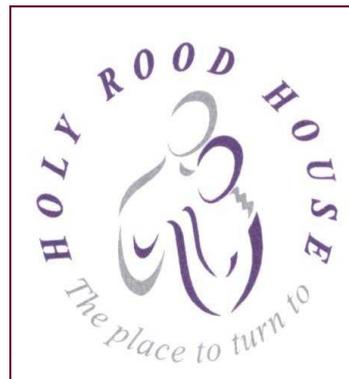
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# ***HOLY ROOD HOUSE***

THIRSK, N. YORKSHIRE

## ***WOMEN CLERGY RETREAT 2017***

TUES 9TH MAY FROM NOON -

THURS 11TH MAY 4.30PM



### ***“EMPOWERMENT, EMBODIMENT & ENCHANTMENT”***

WITH REVD DR CARLA GROSCH-MILLER & REVD ELIZABETH BAXTER  
ELAINE WISDOM (ART THERAPIST) AND OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS

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Rev Elizabeth Baxter MPhil is an Anglican priest and Executive Director of Holy Rood House and enjoys accompanying people on their therapeutic and theological journeys.

From her work in inner cities and housing estates and her experience of working at Holy Rood House for 24 years, Elizabeth draws on liberation theologies, and particularly Feminist Theologies, to give a grounding to our explorations, alongside biblical material to resonate with our stories, as we travel through this retreat together. Elizabeth's MPhil was 'Modelling Church as Therapeutic Community'.



Carla A. Grosch-Miller is a minister in the United Church of Christ (US), a theological educator and a poet. Carla lectures on practical theology, teaches short courses on sexual maturity in ministry and speaks broadly on the topic of sexuality and spirituality. Her doctoral work on sexual-spiritual integration in theological education is an exercise in poetic practical theology. Theopoetics informs her practice and her being. She is the author of *Psalms redux: Poems and Prayers* (2014, Canterbury Press) and articles in *Theology and Sexuality* (2015) and the *Journal of Adult Theological Education* (2008). Carla was made an Ecumenical Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford in 2016

Creative arts, rest and relaxation, gardens, labyrinth and library, will all be part of our retreat. There is a swimming pool a stone's throw away, and river walks opposite the house. There will be the opportunity for massage and spiritual accompaniment.

To top it all we will crack open several bottles of wine and enjoy good home-cooked food in the relaxed and welcoming environment of Holy Rood House.

*"From the moment Nellie Morton suggested that Feminist Theology was 'hearing one another into speech', she situated the theology that women do in the body. We hear and we speak, but we do not simply hear the word of God, disembodied and dictatorial, but rather the words of each other, challenging us to right the wrongs, to redeem the relationships between us and embody the divine in our lives...we have, through our body knowing and through trusting that knowing, entered a revolution...a revolution embedded in women's erotic power, which understands the body as both the ongoing, alive critique of oppression, and the site of struggles for liberation."*

Lisa Isherwood



## WOMEN CLERGY RETREAT 2017

The inclusive suggested donation for this retreat is: £180 with a supplement of £10 for en-suite.

Anglican Clergy can often receive funding through 'The Women's Continuing Ministerial Educational Trust' or 'The English Clergy Association' or Mrs Frances Ashton's Charity.

URC ministers can use EM3 monies for this conference; check with your Synod Training Officer.

For other denominations please check out what is possible.

If you are having to pay costs yourself—you are welcome to pay this donation over a period of time...

Your donation may be gift-aided (see over)

Please telephone 01845 522580 to check availability & en-suite & for any other concerns

then send this form together with a £50 deposit to:  
Holy Rood House, 10 Sowerby Road, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1HX  
Telephone: 01845 522580

Name:.....

Address:.....

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We will arrange to meet a train or coach if necessary;

Time of arrival: Thirsk Station at..... Coach at .....

For two people booking to stay overnight, please indicate if you require:

Single Rooms 0      Twin beds 0      Double bed 0  
En-suite 0      Please indicate if stairs are a difficulty for you. 0

SPECIAL DIET Do you have a special diet or other information we need to help make your stay comfortable?

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