

# The Ring Lake Carillon

Ring Lake Ranch • Dubois, Wyoming • Fall 2012

*An ecumenical retreat center • “renewal in a sacred wilderness”*

*“No synonym for God is so perfect as Beauty. Whether as seen carving the lines of the mountains with glaciers, or gathering matter into stars, or planning the movement of water, or gardening—still all is Beauty!”*

*• John Muir*



**R**ing Lake Ranch is like no other retreat center or guest Ranch I know. We offer compelling seminars, a gorgeous natural setting and a schedule that allows each guest to create her or his own experience of renewal. One of the other elements that makes the Ranch so special is the community of people who support and enjoy the Ranch in a variety of capacities. Here are some thoughts from friends who have been involved with the Ranch for years.

## Naomi Hoyer

My relationship with Ring Lake Ranch has come full circle. I first attended the Ranch in the mid-1980's with my family when I was a young girl. My brother and I developed the deep love of the Ranch that only other children can understand. We adored it, and insisted that our parents return every year. As a child guest, I took advantage of riding, hiking, looking for fossils on Fossil Ridge, swimming and wading in the lakes, looking for antlers and watching for wildlife. I was so attached to the Ranch and enamored of the horses, that I served for several unforgettable summers on staff, assisting with the riding program. The summers that I spent on staff were some of the best of my life.

As an adult, I got the opportunity to view the Ranch another way, by serving on the Board of Directors. I cherished the opportunity to help plan for and secure the Ranch's future. While still on the board, my husband and I started coming to the Ranch for volunteer week. Giving back to the place that had given me so much felt wonderful. I provided veterinary care for the horses, cleared trails, cleaned tack, and cleaned cabins. Nick repaired plumbing damaged by pack rats, built fences and cut down dozens of beetle kill trees on the Ranch property.

Now, as a mother, I get the opportunity to return as a guest again and introduce my own daughters to this place that I love. This summer I had the chance to spend a week at the Ranch leading my daughters on rides, teaching them to canoe and hike, and fostering the love of the Ranch that has always sustained me. Ring Lake Ranch is truly a sacred place, and I am thrilled to have loved it for so long.

## Graham Opie

Ring Lake Ranch is a place for activity, tranquility, and most importantly community. Time spent over the past six years as first a guest, then a volunteer and now a staff assistant has made my summers unforgettable. For years I heard stories of the Ranch from my mom, who went as a child, but when I first arrived in 2007, I still had no idea what to expect. I quickly discovered it was not only the beautiful location, but also the people that made the Ranch memorable.

The sense of community ingrained in Ring Lake Ranch provides an atmosphere unlike any other. Although most guests come as strangers, they leave as friends. Connections made and relationships built make everyone a part of the Ranch's genuine community and valued history. Whether the day is spent hiking, riding or relaxing, enthusiastic conversations and engaging discussions are always abundant. Having recently applied to college, I wrote my application essay about the Ranch. In the essay I said Ring Lake Ranch is a family, one that I leave, but always seem to return to next year.

## Dawn Sample

My relationship with Ring Lake Ranch began in late summer of 2008. A theology graduate student, I'd just finished a difficult summer doing youth ministry at a camp that I only half-jokingly had begun referring to as "Little Catholic Hell in the Mountains." Completely burnt-out, I researched retreat centers that could help recharge my own spiritual batteries before I returned to school in September. Through synchronicity and the Holy Spirit, I happened upon Ring Lake Ranch. There was an interesting session that fit my schedule, and the location was in Wyoming wilderness. It sounded perfect.

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Not knowing what to expect, I road-tripped from California to Wyoming. Arriving at the Ranch, I soon felt I was right where I needed to be. The raw beauty of the landscape began to heal and energize my spirit, and the programming itself was insightful and informative, but also relaxed. I enjoyed having space to recharge while also being free to hike and enjoy the outdoors. The warm staff, friendly guests/fellow sojourners, and the delicious meals ultimately shaped the week into an incredibly life-giving experience.

I had had such a wonderful time on retreat that I began thinking about how I would love to work at the Ranch between finishing my school program and starting whatever ministry job I would have after. This ended up working out perfectly,

and I was able to work as the hike-leader/housekeeper during the summer of 2010 before beginning a ministry position in Montana. By the end of the summer, Ring Lake Ranch had become a home and the staff, guests, and volunteers had become my extended family.

The following summer I returned for a week as well, visiting with the people and the place that were so dear to me while clearing the odd trail or two. Each time I return, I reflect on the path that first brought me to the Ranch and where that path is heading now. I find myself invited to continue a relationship with this place and people while looking on in wonder at how so many lives and stories come together in unexpected ways in this wild and beloved corner of Wyoming.

## Dick Williams

If you have ever gone to a dude Ranch somewhere—maybe Wyoming or Colorado, you’ve probably been waited on hand and foot, treated like royalty, fed rich foods, and in general, been a kept person. PLUS it has cost you a fortune! Maybe you have spent part of a summer on a “working Ranch” where you have been kept busy hefting bales of hay, brushing down horses, or pounding in fence posts all day. Perhaps there has occasionally been time for some singing or general rowdiness in the evening—if you were not totally worn out. And you actually paid for that!

The Ring Lake Ranch experience is nothing like either of these. Being at Ring Lake is a breath of fresh air in more ways than one. As a model of cooperation and participation, there is a strong sense of ownership among the participants. People can play a variety of roles in the life of Ring Lake. Paid staff members return as guests. Guests return as volunteers, serve as naturalists, maybe lead hikes or horseback riding trips. Some volunteers become board members, and many guests make generous contributions in time and money to see that Ring Lake Ranch continues to be there to serve. Ring Lake Ranch is OUR Ranch.

Social relationships are the life of the Ranch in the way that no other Ranch that I have ever experienced can ever duplicate. Due to the spiritual leanings of the founders, there are devotional and meditational times with a special appreciation for the natural surroundings, with the regal mountains across a smooth reflective lake. A look out of the window of the dining room while setting up the breakfast tables is itself a unique religious experience.

At Ring Lake Ranch, everyone helps. No one gets waited on. At Ring Lake, we take turns at assisting the cooks, setting up tables, cleaning up, washing dishes, and generally maintaining the physical surroundings. All this serves to reduce the dollar cost, but more importantly, working together brings a group of people from all parts of the world together as one in a way that no other social experience can.

How far back do you have to go to think of another experience quite like being at Ring Lake Ranch? Personally, I can think of no other quite like it. Praise the founders, the working staff, and the participants for our great times at [Ring Lake Ranch!](#)

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## New Ring Lake Ranch Logo

Over its 46 year history, Ring Lake Ranch has used a variety of designs for gift shop merchandise, Ranch publications and other items, but we've never had an official logo – until now. Last spring, the Ranch Board of Directors approved a logo that is adapted from one of the most significant features of the Ranch: the petroglyphs drawn by the Sheepeater Indians hundreds of years ago. Ring Lake Ranch means many things to many people – some people come for the beautiful wilderness surroundings, some come for the hikes and horseback rides, some value the special community that develops each week. Creating a logo that encompasses all of these things was a great challenge. The Board believes that this new logo represents the sacred character of the Ranch that underlies all that we do to provide spiritual, mental and physical renewal for our guests. Many thanks to the Steve Williams Design Office for all of the work they did to develop this great new logo for us.



## New Website with Videos and Online Store

Since our last newsletter, we've done some major work with our online resources. Our webmaster, Sean Roche, redesigned the Ranch website, [www.ringlake.org](http://www.ringlake.org), to give it a great new look and improve the navigation through the site. We also added introductory and personal reflection videos to help new folks understand what is so remarkable about Ring Lake Ranch. Finally, we've set up an online store so everyone can buy some of their favorite RLR merchandise even after their visit. The online store will also allow guest to pay deposits and guest fees electronically. If you haven't seen the new site, please do have a look!

## Look for Ring Lake Ranch on Facebook

Ring Lake Ranch has both a page and a group on Facebook. If you are active on Facebook, ask to join the group (we'll say 'yes,' don't worry) and find updates on how things are going during the summer, as well as pictures, announcements and information about music, books, and other things about which we think Ranch guests would like to know.



## Unique Community, Unique Gifts

By Julie Mavity-Maddalena, RLR Board

If you're reading this, you have likely discovered the gift that is Ring Lake Ranch—the gift of authentic fellowship, rest, renewal, and living into rhythms and life values that can transform the ways we live elsewhere. I have felt these gifts as a new pastor, a newlywed, and a new mother in my various Ranch experiences. I also know of those in different life seasons—teenagers, retirees, mid-career, those on sabbatical, and more—who are also deeply moved by the simple yet profound wonders the Ranch offers. What a beautiful, rare witness of the fullness of human community—such diversity of human experience, each touching and being touched by the deepest levels of sacred meaning.

While people from all life's phases enjoy these wonders, these different phases often mean differing resources to pay for the experience. The Ranch recognizes this reality by trying to keep tuition costs down and by offering partial scholarships for those needing assistance. In keeping these costs down, however, we incur an annual deficit. Donations from those of you with extra resources go directly to facility and horse maintenance, general needs, and financial assistance for others. As one who has benefited from these gifts, I want to say thank you, and let you know my family will continue the tradition of giving as we are more able in order to honor your gifts from when we were less able. I am honored to be a part of a community that reflects the Shalom of God in its diversity and its practice of welcoming each to give according to his/her own means. If you are able in this season of your life, please consider making a donation or including the Ranch in your estate planning. The extra that you give allows others to have the Ranch experience, and only together do we create the unique community of the Ranch. Blessings.

# Ring Lake Ranch



## May 26—June 1 Volunteer Week

Every year, the Ranch relies on volunteers, both individuals and groups, to clean, do major repair and upkeep projects, open the kitchen, and anything else needed to prepare for guests. Please consider joining us for a week of work, fun, and fellowship!

*For more details check our website: [www.ringlake.org](http://www.ringlake.org)*

## Scholarships Available

Partial scholarships are available to anyone needing assistance to come to programs at the Ranch. All people are welcome at Ring Lake and we don't want the cost to keep anyone, especially first-time guests, from attending a session. If you have any questions, or would like a copy of our simple application, please contact Andy Blackmun at [andy@ringlake.org](mailto:andy@ringlake.org) or 888-458-5253.

## June 2—8 Ted Hiebert *Reconnecting with the World: Our First Ideas about Nature and Culture*

Our earliest ideas about the human relationship to nature and to the world's cultures are articulated in the first chapters of Genesis. Ironically, Genesis's interpreters through time have exaggerated the divide Genesis's own authors saw between themselves and nature and themselves and other cultures. We will reexamine the first, foundational ideas in our religious traditions about our connection to nature and to other cultures to see how these ideas might help us rethink our connections with the world today.

Ted Hiebert is the Francis A. McGaw Professor of Old Testament at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, IL. Ted is a member of the Mennonite Church and has served as pastor of the Boston Mennonite Congregation. He has been a director of the Chicago Theological Initiative in Eco-Justice Ministry and is a consultant on theological education at the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion.

## June 16—22 Jeffrey Mahan *Imagining the Mountain West*

This session uses film, art and literature to look at the way that the Mountain West has inspired the artistic imagination and the way that human cultures have written their presence on the land. The petroglyphs that mark the Ranch and the surrounding region serve as a first text and we will read them in conjunction with Werner Herzog's amazing documentary *Cave of Forgotten Dreams*, about the earliest known cave paintings in France. We will also engage the work of later Wyoming artists and authors, including reading some of Annie Proulx's *Wyoming Stories* and viewing the work of (and hopefully visiting with) regional painters. Jeffrey Mahan is Professor of Ministry, Media and Culture at the Iliff School of Theology. His work has focused on religious and theological engagements with both fine and popular film, literature and television. Jeffrey also works in field education and other courses that cultivate religious vocation and theological reflection on our lived experience of faith in church, community and culture.

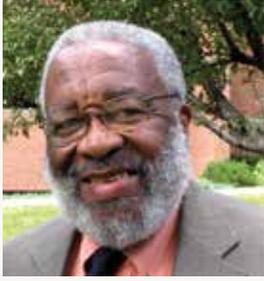
## July 14—20 Chris De Pree *Fiat Lux: Let There Be Light*

Ring Lake Ranch, far from city lights, provides a perfect environment to view the night sky. During this week we will explore the night sky above Ring Lake and the ways in which a careful viewing of the night (and day) sky can give us a new appreciation for God's creation. We will also discuss current human understanding of our universe's beginning and fate. Explorations will include both naked eye and telescopic observations, and a familiarization with the "structure" of the night sky. Participants will leave with the skills to continue their observations wherever home may be. Chris De Pree is the Director of Bradley Observatory at Agnes Scott College, and a Professor of Physics and Astronomy. He is a member of Decatur Presbyterian Church in Decatur, GA. He has written several books on popular astronomy, including the *Complete Idiot's Guide to Astronomy*. Chris is interested in the dialogue between science and religion, and ways in which these two unique disciplines can expand human understanding in complementary ways.

## July 21—27 Marcia McFee *M-M-Good Worship!*

This week features fun and interactive sessions all about worship that is "M-M-Good"—meaningful and memorable. We'll go back in time to experience worship through the ages—from the Red Sea to early Christianity to the American frontier. We'll find out why we resonate with different rhythms of worship (and life!) through a fun night of drumming and singing. One evening we'll watch film clips and find out what filmmakers can tell us about bringing stories to life in ways that are sensory-rich. And the last night we'll take a trip with Egeria, a 4th century pilgrim to Jerusalem during Holy Week. Marcia McFee is an author, worship designer and leader, professor, preacher and artist. Her engaging and interactive style has been called "refreshing," "inspiring," and "unforgettable." Marcia combines her background and experience in professional companies of music, theater and dance with a variety of worship and preaching styles in order to bring a fresh experience of the Gospel to each worship setting. Marcia has provided worship design and leadership at numerous national and regional gatherings.

# 2013 Schedule of Programs



## July 28—Aug. 3 Vincent Harding *Sharing Our Common Ground*

This session will focus on Dr. Harding's conviction that a healthy, multiracial democracy can only be built upon the shared stories of its citizens. We will hear Vincent's life journey, as well as share the stories of RLR guests. Our conversation will be framed by Howard Thurman's book *The Search for Common Ground*. Vincent Harding is one of the great leaders of the Civil Rights movement. He worked throughout the South in the 1960s on the anti-segregation campaigns of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and the Congress of Racial Equality. He drafted speeches for Martin Luther King, including King's famous anti-Vietnam speech, "A Time to Break Silence." Dr. Harding taught at Liff School of Theology as Professor of Religion and Social Transformation from 1981 to 2004. He remains active in community issues as the founder of the Veterans of Hope Project, a multifaceted educational initiative on religion, culture and participatory democracy.



## Aug. 4—10 Mary Fraser, Dana Wimmer & Marilyn Buchanan *Soulsapes*

*Soulsapes* relates the "I Am" statements in the Gospel of John to the Chakra energy of your body. During the five day experience, participants will engage the energy dynamics of body, mind, emotion and spirit. Learn how to awaken your body and your faith as east and west, chakra and scripture synthesize through gentle body work techniques, meditation, and scriptural reimagining of the "I Am" passages from John. Mary Fraser, Dana Wimmer and Marilyn Buchanan are all ordained Elders in the United Methodist Church. Mary Fraser directs the Office of Pastoral Care and Counseling for the Iowa Annual Conference and is experienced with Native American Spirituality, mind/body medicine, Integrative Breathwork, and trauma recovery. Dana Wimmer holds a D. Min in Pastoral Care from St. Paul School of Theology, is a Reiki Master and a certified Phoenix Rising yoga instructor. Marilyn Buchanan is a licensed massage therapist, a Reiki Master and is training to be a teacher of Anusara Yoga.



## Aug. 11—17 Mary Logan *The Jar Sealed, The Jar Opened: Spiritual Autobiography*

Spiritual autobiography with visual expression is an adventure of play and prayer using non-traditional 'art' materials such as found objects and re-use of discarded materials. Using these items as well as paints, fine papers, wood veneers, ribbon, fabric, failed pots, we will experience the Christian story of redemption and transformation by hand and heart. During the session, we will explore three scriptures by working in quiet and diving below words into our own embodied story within the Story. The sessions will include silence, discovery, laughter, and options for sharing. An open studio will be provided. Mary Callaway Logan is a retired UMC pastoral counselor, now fulltime artist, living in Black Mountain, NC with husband Kent. Her art studio, Seeds of Light Studio in Atlanta, was the germinating bed for these forms of *lectio divina*, centering prayer and the creative imagination.



## Aug. 18—24 Joyce Mercer *Girls, Women and New Kinds of Christianity*

The everyday lives of girls and women hold sacred stories, but the noise of daily life mutes our inner wisdom. Honoring the spiritual lives of girls and women seems especially important now, so that these voices can help shape the new kinds of Christianity that are emerging. We will share our lives, our images of the sacred, and our ongoing call to be people who care for themselves so they can care for the world. Joyce's work with pastoral care across the lifespan will inform our journey into meaning-making for distinct phases of women's lives. The session will be open to people of all genders and ages who are interested in feminist theologies. Joyce Ann Mercer is ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA), teaches at Virginia Theological Seminary, and writes on many topics including the spiritual lives of women and girls.



## Aug. 25—31 Diana Butler Bass *Perform Awakening*

In this session, Diana follows up on her book, *Christianity After Religion*, by exploring territory of spiritual awakening as it is emerging in North American religious life. The week will be shaped around four movements of awakening: Waking Up, Discerning, Imagining, and Doing. During our time together, we will "co-inspire" together to renew church and culture and foster spiritual awakening. Diana Butler Bass is an author, speaker, and independent scholar specializing in American religion and culture. Her eight books include the bestselling *Christianity After Religion*, *A People's History of Christianity* (2009) and *Christianity for the Rest of Us* (2006). Diana regularly consults with religious organizations, leads conferences for religious leaders, and teaches and preaches in a variety of venues. She blogs at *The Huffington Post*, *Washington Post On Faith*, and *Patheos*. She comments on religion, politics, and culture in the media including *USA TODAY*, *Time*, *Newsweek*, *The Washington Post*, CNN, FOX, PBS, and NPR.



## Thanks to all of our Volunteers!

As in years past, Ring Lake Ranch benefitted from the skills and enthusiasm of a great roster of volunteers during the 2012 season. During our annual Volunteer Week, we welcomed Michael Morris, Tom and Paula Dille, Jim and Beverly Young, Renette and Ted Laase, Bruce and Linda Powell, John Monson, Jack Damien, Becky Meyer, and Kevin and Liz Sellstrom. Aside from cleaning and preparing the Ranch cabins and meeting spaces for the coming season, these hard-working folks completed a long list of maintenance projects, including:

- Repairing light fixtures and installing new bedside reading lamps
- Painting the foundations of Top Cabin, Dining Hall, Cabins 7, 5 and the Living Room
- Repairing the Living Room screen doors and the enclosures for the Recycling Center and the Lake Lodge propane tank
- Building bunk rails for cabins 3 and 4 and new signs for the bunk house, tack shed and corral, and canoe beach.
- Capping unused cabin stove pipes
- Inspecting electrical components of all Ranch buildings

During our guest weeks, we were blessed to have volunteers helping out during every week but one this summer! Volunteers during seminar weeks help in the dining hall and kitchen, as well as work on maintenance projects around the grounds and even help with our riding program. Many thanks to all of these folks who donated their time to help support Ring Lake Ranch this past summer: Dwight Haberman, Gretchen and Dick Williams, Jean and Bill Wolfe, Ann Hunter, Amy Mears and Danny Mears Webb, Vince and BJ Caparelli, Robin Blundon, David and Janice Cramp, Leslie Stugelmeyer, Sean Roche, David and Gail Henderson, Meggan Manlove, and Mo Morrow.

We will offer our 2013 Volunteer Week the week of May 26th through June 1st. We also have volunteer openings still available for most weeks during the summer season. If you are interested in volunteering at Ring Lake Ranch, please contact Amanda at [amanda@ringlake.org](mailto:amanda@ringlake.org) or call her at 307-455-2663.

## Staff Assistants

We witnessed the continued revival of the Ranch's staff assistant program during the 2012 season. The Ranch community is thankful to have had the help of some fine, dedicated young people who were willing to pitch in any way needed: Graham Opie, Erika Johnson, Lara Mears Webb, and Lilly Schulz. Lindsay Edmonson also worked as a staff assistant for a few weeks before joining the staff as a wrangler. Thanks to all of them for their energy and enthusiasm.

The Ranch is happy to welcome staff assistants between ages 13 and 18 again for the 2013 season. Staff assistants help wherever needed: sometimes in the kitchen, sometimes feeding and wrangling horses, sometimes sitting with young children during the evening seminars. We ask staff assistants to work between 20 and 30 hours per week. In return, staff assistants receive room board and a small scholarship during their stay. Staff assistants need to have come to the Ranch as guests at least once. Teenagers interested in working as staff assistants should contact Andy Blackmun at [andy@ringlake.org](mailto:andy@ringlake.org) or 888-458-5253.

## New Additions to Our Herd

As some of you know, many dear members of our herd of horses were getting up in years. Over the course of the summer, we retired Tosi, Julie, Snowman, Jake and Jane. They were dear friends who carried adults and kids all over the valley and gave many people a chance to savor the special connection that can grow between horse and rider. We give thanks for their years of patient service.

We are fortunate to have found some great new horses to add to the herd. Sonny, Riata, Cocoa and Gus all joined the guest string this summer and hopefully Rio will be available for guests next season as well. We look forward to working with them for many years to come.

## Driving to the Ranch

If you plan to drive to the Ranch and would be interested in carpooling, let Andy, Director, know. He can try to connect you with other guests coming from your area.

# 2013 Registration

## 2013 RATES

All rates are per person and based on double/multiple occupancy  
Includes lodging \* meals \* seminars \* horseback riding \* guided hiking \* boating. No charge for children 12 & under.

Scholarships are available: Contact **Andy** at mailing address below or [andy@ringlake.org](mailto:andy@ringlake.org)

## ADULT FEES FOR 6 DAY SESSIONS

Basic lodging with shared bath ..... \$785  
Basic lodging with private bath..... \$895  
Large Family cabin with private bath..... \$950

## YOUTH FEES FOR 6 DAY SESSIONS

Youth (ages 13 – 17).....\$600  
Child (ages 12 and under) .....no charge

## ADULT FEES FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS

Basic lodging with shared bath ..... \$ 1377  
Basic lodging with private bath..... \$ 1570  
Large Family cabin with private bath.....\$ 1650

## YOUTH FEES FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS

Youth (ages 13 – 17).....\$ 1040  
Child (ages 12 and under) .....no charge

All fees exclude sales & lodging taxes. Contact Amanda at [amanda@ringlake.org](mailto:amanda@ringlake.org) or 307-455-2663 to inquire about daily and off-season rates. To guarantee a private room, contact **Amanda** about additional fee & availability.

## Receive a 10% discount on your session fees by bringing someone new to the Ranch with you.

Please indicate on your registration form who the new guest is. When they register, we'll record the discount. Thank you for spreading the word about Ring Lake Ranch.

## Deposit:

To hold your reservations, we request a deposit of \$250/adult and \$135/youth for 6 day sessions or \$430/adult and \$200/youth for two sessions. The deposit is refundable (less a 20% handling charge) up to 60 days in advance of the session for which you have registered. After that time, the deposit is refundable (less 20%) only if we can rebook your space in the session.

No. of Registrants:

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults @ rate \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Youth (13-17) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Children(12 & under) no charge

TOTAL (without taxes) \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit Amount \_\_\_\_\_

## Session

Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Names & ages of children (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation preference:

- Basic/shared bath       Basic/private bath  
 Large Family/private bath       Cabin #

Roommate preference (registering separately)

- One bed?       Two beds?

Is walking over steep or rough terrain difficult for you?

- Yes       No

Any other physical limitations? \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary restrictions/food allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you need transportation from the airport?

(see spring Carillon or website for charges)

- No       Yes Jackson/Riverton

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*We accept Visa, Mastercard, Discover and American Express. Pay by cash or your personal check and receive a 5% discount in fees. For security purposes, please do not include your credit card number on this form. Please use the online store at [www.ringlake.org/store](http://www.ringlake.org/store) to pay deposits and fees.*

## Return form to:

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*Come join us at Ring Lake Ranch for  
"renewal in a sacred wilderness."*

*During our session with Carrie Newcomer and Faith Hawkins last summer, the group composed a song that caught the spirit of that delightful week. Here are the lyrics they wrote together.*

## **Holy Is...**

*The taste of fresh peaches, holy is.  
Homegrown tomatoes, holy is.  
A piece of Ring Lake cake,  
Oh my head, oh my heart, holy is.  
The smell of sage and pine, holy is.  
Whitecaps on the lake, holy is.  
An osprey in full flight,  
Oh my head, oh my heart, holy is.  
The sound of Clayton laughing  
A welcome home hug, holy is.  
A flash of understanding,  
Oh my head, oh my heart, holy is.*

**For more information about our programs and the Ranch community, please visit our website: [www.ringlake.org](http://www.ringlake.org)**

