

Join the Wheaton Franciscans for this unique program...

Exploring the Franciscan Way of Life - Cohort 6

A program to deepen our response to God's call in our life today.



Francis of Assisi desired to live the Gospels - he did not set out to create a movement. He chose a radical way of living by seeing God in all creation.

The Wheaton Franciscans are committed to sharing the Franciscan story and spirit with all. We are excited to welcome our sixth cohort to this special program. As we journey through this program, we will explore how each of us is called to live a values-based life in our world today.

Exploring the Franciscan Way of Life is a 24-month program open to people of all, or no, faith tradition who want to learn more about Franciscan spirituality and how to integrate the Good News of God's love into daily life. It is designed for individuals with no experience in Franciscan spirituality, as well as those with more knowledge seeking to bond with others to deepen one another's experience. The program is formatted to take place in monthly sessions of approximately two hours each, plus two Saturday mornings providing an opportunity for deeper reflection. Community building is an important component of the program. A commitment to consistent participation in the scheduled sessions contributes to building a safe and caring community.

Each session provides readings to prepare for the session which includes prayer, input, reflection, and discussion. Contemplative sharing time has been built into the schedule in acknowledgement of the potential limitations of online programming.

Registration is requested by August 22, 2022 -

Registration is limited

Free will donation

Online registration is now open: [Register here](#)



A spirituality ministry of the
Wheaton Franciscans

Sessions are held the **second Tuesday** of the month from **7:00-9:00 p.m. Central Time**, except as noted. **Sessions will be held via Zoom**, except as noted.

The link will be sent to registered participant prior to the session.

- 1/ Introduction to Program and The Universal call to Holiness
- 2/ Introduction to Francis of Assisi, His Culture & the Times
- 3/ Introduction to Clare of Assisi & the Franciscan Family
- 4/ Incarnation

Contemplative Sharing

- 5/ Community/Relationship
- 6/ Conversion/Penance
- 7/ Humility/Minority

8/ Morning of Reflection – Contemplation potential in-person

Optional Book Study & Community Deepening

- 9/ Creation
- 10/ Peace and Non-violence
- 11/ Joy
- 12/ Wheaton Franciscan Congregational Foundress & Charism

Break

- 13/ The Servant Leadership of Francis and Clare
- 14/ Trinity
- 15/ Discernment, Living Gospel Values
- 16/ Morning of Reflection - Living the Franciscan Way
of Life Today – potential in-person

September 13, 2022

October 11, 2022

October 25, 2022 (No session in November)

December 13, 2022

January 10, 2023

February 14, 2023

March 14, 2023

April 11, 2023

Saturday, May 13, 2023

June, July, and August

September 12, 2023

October 10, 2023

November 14, 2023

December 12, 2023

January - No session scheduled

February 13, 2024

March 12, 2024

April 9, 2024

Saturday, May 4, 2024