

# Adult Retreats & Events

## Shift:

### a Musical Summit for the Progressive Christian Movement

**NEW** Across the country progressive Christians are finding each other, forming coalitions, and starting new churches. It's an important historical moment, and it needs a solid soundtrack! Four nationally recognized church musicians, whose music is known for its contemporary style and progressive themes, have come together to organize this distinctive event. This musical summit is a call to anyone involved in music for worship in progressive churches: band musicians, lyricists, songwriters, pastors, choir directors, lay leaders and seminarians. We need you: your gifts, your passion, and your ideas for networking, songwriting, and powerful, transformative worship!

During our time together, we'll consider the following questions: What are some of the marks of progressive Christian music? How do we select and use music well? How do we overcome resistance to change, and defibrillate worship when it flatlines? And what are the heart-habits needed for all those connected to music ministry in a progressive worship context?

Reading sessions will explore great new songs for worship. Workshops will provide tools for writers, musicians, and all those connected to music ministry. There will be time to collaborate, and to establish relationships for future collaborations. We will be intentional about making time for individual reflection in the beautiful setting of the brand new chapel overlooking Green Lake at Pilgrim Center. And, of course, there are trails, the shore, a labyrinth in the woods and many other places to encounter God in nature.



We will join in daily worship, sharing traditional elements as well as exploring new approaches. Each evening will feature a concert by our keynoters, or an open-mic opportunity for retreat participants. After hours activities will include informal gatherings for song swapping, sharing stories, and supporting each other in this important work.

This retreat is all about the music. It's for all those who are passionate about progressive Christian worship, and want the movement to sing. Come lend your voice... or your guitar or any other instrument you play!

The leaders for this event are some of the best known in the UCC and beyond.

■ Bryan Sirchio ([sirchio.com](http://sirchio.com)) is known and loved by people in churches around Wisconsin, and across the country. Bryan is an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ, and has produced 13 CDs and 4 songbooks in his 24 years of music ministry. He has gathered three other contemporary musicians to collaborate with him on this exciting project.

■ Andra Moran ([andramoran.com](http://andramoran.com)) is known in churches of many denominations, but particularly the Disciples of Christ and UCC. Andra's recorded and print work is used in churches, colleges, and summer camps around the United States and Europe. Andra and her music radiate both a resilient hope and an understanding that life can be complicated.

■ Christopher Grundy ([christophergrundy.com](http://christophergrundy.com)) is a recording artist, minister of the UCC, and an assistant professor of worship at Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis. For more than twenty years he has been writing and performing his own brand of "thoughtful, inclusive, singable Christian music" around the country.

■ Richard Bruxvoort Colligan ([worldmaking.net](http://worldmaking.net)) is a full-time consultant working in the areas of music, spiritual direction, and liturgical theology. Richard's background is in the Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), but his work now takes him to many church settings and contexts. Richard's songs are particularly good at bridging the gap between contemporary style and liturgical substance.

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<b>Deposit</b>		<b>Balance</b>		<b>Total Cost</b>
\$75.00	+	\$250.00	=	\$325.00