



Dear Friends,

First of all, we, at Linwood, wanted to assure you of our prayer for you and your loved ones that you are safe and healthy during this global Pandemic. Certainly, none of us could have imagined the strange times we are experiencing.

Here at Linwood our status has been changing day to day and month to month. As you know, since March 2020 the Spiritual Center has been closed and programs for March through June were rescheduled for a later date or canceled.

We had hoped to welcome you home to the Linwood you love in July, amid the beauty of the Hudson Valley. However, it is with heartfelt sadness that we, the Sisters of St. Ursula, who for these many years have sponsored in part the Retreat Ministry, and the Linwood Spiritual Center Staff, who have worked so diligently to present programs of spiritual enrichment and nourishment, have made the decision to “**PAUSE**” in this endeavor.

After hours of prayer and discernment, we have made the painful decision to close the Spiritual Center for the remaining months of 2020, with **tentative plans** for reopening in January 2021. From July through December 2020 there will be no ‘on site’ programs here at Linwood. We are doing so in order to reduce our overhead expenditures in hopes that we will then have the resources we need to continue to welcome you in the future.

As always, we cannot do this without you. We know this crisis has impacted everyone differently. If you are able, we invite you to assist us as generously as possible with a **midsummer donation**. This will help us in our planning and allow us to be more confident in reopening in the new year. You may do so by mailing us a check at the address below. Please write your email address in the memo, or go directly to our website, LinwoodSpiritual.org and click **Donate**.

We have begun to offer retreats virtually, with plans to broaden those offerings. We encourage you to check our Website, Constant Contact, Instagram and emails for the most current information.

Let’s continue to pray for each other during these fearful times, knowing we are all held in the arms of our God.

In deep gratitude,

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