



*We have prayed with you for  
50 years and hope to continue doing so for  
many years to come!*



**The Wildlife Sanctuary  
presents a unique  
setting for communing  
with God in a natural  
environment.  
Come - discover its  
beauty!**

A sanctuary can be many things. For some, it is a place where nature is protected, a place for solitude, a safe haven for refuge, or a holy place for reflection. Attleboro Springs Wildlife Sanctuary at La Salette is all these things.

For centuries, this property has been protected by people aware of the powers of the natural world. You'll find in these woods and fields the remains of farm pastures, the Spring House, the Room of Oaks, Solomon's Gardens and Brothers Pond, all bearing evidence of centuries of people connecting to and altering this land, and allowing us to witness how nature has reclaimed it, time and again.

## Schedule

- 8:30-9:15    **Registration**  
Coffee An'
- 9:15-10:30    **Isaiah: Voice Crying  
in the Desert**
- 10:30-11:00    Private Reflection
- 11:15-12:00    **John the Baptist:  
Jesus' Precursor**
- 12:00-12:30    Private Reflection
- 12:30-1:30    **Lunch**
- 1:30-2:30    **Mary: Bearer of Good News**
- 2:30-3:00    Private Reflection
- 3:15-3:45    **Jesus: Here I Am Lord**
- 3:45    **Closing Ritual**

# AN ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER

## HERE I AM, LORD

### December 2, 2017



**PRESENTED BY:  
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*at*  
***La Salette Retreat Center***  
***947 Park Street***  
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**HERE I AM, LORD**

8:00 Registration

9:00-4:00 Day of Prayer

**Fee: \$40.00, Registration \$10.00**

The four weeks of Advent are **reminders of the 4000 years** before Jesus became man. Years when **laws and justice** were dominant while mercy and compassion were viewed as weaknesses.

Then – **along came Jesus** and the world changed! The Son of God came and became the SUN who brought **warmth and light** into the world with His message of **love and service** as He called us unto Himself.

For 33 years He lived among the likes of each one of us teaching us how to live **lives of quality** as individuals, as families and as communities **working together**. He taught us how to **reach out to one another** and to others in need . . . whether the need is physical, emotional, spiritual, etc.

**“Come follow me,”** He said to me and to you! **WOW – we are to continue His mission in today’s world** – to recognize that He **gifts each one** with qualities that made Him Jesus and that makes each of us unique.

This Advent of 2017, let us **renew** our acceptance of God’s personal gifts to us – let us **seek** Him where He lives and let us **serve** Him there. Then each can answer the question, “What shall I bring?” with the answer, **“I bring you the gift of me with the words – here I am Lord.”**

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. (Is. 2/5)

Come, let us climb the Lord’s mountain. (Is. 2/6)

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. (Ps. 122/1)

The Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son. (Is. 7/14)

He is the Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples. (Wreath Blessing)

To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy and love. (Blessings prayer)

The desert and the parched land will exult. The steppe will bloom. They will bloom with abundant flowers. (Is. 35/1)

**Here I Am, Lord!**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**HERE I AM, LORD**

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

**\$40.00**

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