

# “UCC: Is That for Me?”

## Confirmation Retreat



**Join Us**  
**Sep 30 - Oct 2, 2016**

at

**Horton Center**  
**Pine Mountain**  
**Gorham, NH**

**Gather for Music, Worship,  
Discussion, Good Food, Games and a Low  
Ropes Course Challenge as we  
explore what it means to be part of  
the United Church of Christ (UCC).**

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*Do you ever wonder what the United Church of Christ (UCC) has to do with your life or your church? Do you ever wonder if your beliefs and your dreams fit the UCC? and What does the phrase “God is still speaking” mean anyway?*

Come join us for the Confirmation retreat so that we can talk about questions like these! Youth from NH Confirmation classes will gather for worship, music, discussion, good food, and games.

## Facts at a Glance:

**Who:** Confirmands of all ages & their Leaders are welcome. The program is especially designed for Youth in Grades 8-10.

**When:** Please arrive by 6:00 p.m. as the evening meal will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Friday, September 30, 2016 and the program continues through 11:45 a.m. Sunday, October 2, 2016

## Where: Horton Center

Pine Mountain / Horton Center Road  
Gorham, NH 03581

## Cost: \$130.00 per person (youth and chaperones)

Cost includes a non-refundable deposit, all snacks, overnight accommodations, a meal Friday evening, all meals on Saturday, breakfast & boxed lunch on Sunday, all program materials and a low ropes course, weather permitting.

**Registration:** Register online at <http://www.hortoncenter.org/summer-camp/registration/>. When registering your Confirmation group, no matter how large or small, please keep in mind that we require you adhere to the New Hampshire Conference Safer Spaces policy with regard to adequate supervision for youth activities: “There shall be at least one adult for every six minors. The gender diversity of adults should match that of the group. One-on-one situations between an adult and a minor must be avoided. Activities with minors shall be interruptible & observable by others at all times.”

## Additional Information:

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## Location

A ministry of the New Hampshire Conference, Horton Center is located outside of Gorham, NH, on 100 acres covering the top of 2,400 foot tall Pine Mountain, offering a reminder of God’s presence and activity in our lives. We find the presence of God in the beauty and inspiration of the natural world, in community, in scripture, prayer, and within one another.

## Schedule of Events (Tentative)

### Friday:

6:00 PM	Arrival & Registration
6:30 PM	Evening Meal
7:15 PM	Welcome and Introductions
7:45 PM	Youth Ice Breakers; Adult Meeting
8:00 PM	Session 1 “Discovering Our Identity”
9:15 PM	Evening Worship
9:45 PM	Return to Cabins
10:30 PM	Lights Out

### Saturday:

8:30 AM	Breakfast
9:15 AM	Worship at Chapel Rock
9:45 AM	“Calling out Each Other’s Gifts” Activity
10:30 AM	Low Ropes Course Challenge
12:15 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	Session 2 “Denominational Identity”
2:45 PM	Games/Service Project/Hike/Jam 1
4:15 PM	Games/Service Project/Hike/Jam 2
5:30 PM	Dinner
6:00 PM	UCC, Why me? Activity
6:30 PM	Session 3 “Faith Expressions”
8:15 PM	Evening Worship
8:45 PM	S’mores by the Campfire
9:15 PM	Games & Discussion
9:45 PM	Return to Cabins
10:30 PM	Lights Out

### Sunday:

8:30 AM	Breakfast
9:30 AM	Session 4 “Taking it on the Road”
10:45 AM	Closing Ritual
11:30 AM	Pick up Box Lunches
11:45 AM	Depart for Home

## Leadership and Planning Team

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