

AND THEN THE HARVEST COMES

“...for every gardener knows that after the digging, after the planting, after the long season of tending and growth, the harvest comes.”

Marge Piercy, *Seven of Pentacles*

This retreat is designed for seasoned Courage facilitators who have been tending the garden we call Circles of Trust for many cycles of growth. It is for those for whom “courage work” was and is still formative and foundational but no longer as formally central to their lives.

In ancient times, harvest was a community event, for it required hard labor with a short window before the frosts arrived. Neighbors helped one another glean the crops, plow the fields, and store the seeds for the next cycle of growth. And then they gathered around the fire to swap stories of trials and travails, to celebrate and give thanks for the abundance, to feast and to sing.

In this retreat, we, too, will join together around the fire of friendship and in the spirit of community to support each other as we reflect on our years in this work, and on this liminal time of “in-between” and change. We will remember together the fullness of life as it once was, and become “fierce with reality” about this autumnal season, a time of less doing and initiating, with more space for being. We ask questions like: How has the work shaped me? How does it inform my being at this time of life? With whom have I co-created and carried this work, and who is in my community now? What seeds do I want to pass on? We hope you can join us for this Pre Gathering! Enrollment is limited to 25.

Facilitators:



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