Don't miss this opportunity!

Mark Your Calendars: October 29-30, 2021

Save the date, friends! Epiclesis is proud to announce a fall retreat with Rod Dreher. And help us spread the word: This remarkable retreat is open to the entire Sacramento-area Christian community.

Best-selling author of *The Benedict Option: A Strategy* for Christians in a Post-Christian Nation, and Live Not by Lies: A Manual for Christian Dissidents, Rod Dreher will be on hand for a special, and ultimately hopeful and encouraging, two-day mini retreat to give insights on how Christians should live in a post-Christian nation.

The Benedict Option, from 2017, is the New York Times bestseller that sparked an international debate about the future of Christianity. *Live Not by Lies*, his work from last year, shot to number one on the Amazon list shortly after its release.

Dreher closely examined the life and work of St. Benedict— worthy of a retreat all by itself— and followed it up with a deeply personal work where he interviewed European former Christian dissidents. His unique experience and scholarship in this area make Dreher's visit to Sacramento a unique opportunity that you should not miss.

What are Christians to do in a post-Christian culture? How do Christians stand up to soft totalitarianism? Our Christian past, and our brothers and sisters who have been through much worse, hold the key. Join us!

About our Retreat Leader, Rod Dreher...

Rod Dreher is a senior editor at The American Conservative. He has written and edited for the New York Post, The Dallas Morning News, National Review, The South Florida Sun-Sentinel, The Washington Times, and The Baton Rouge Advocate. He has written five books, *The Little Way of Ruthie Leming, Crunchy Cons, How Dante Can Save Your Life, The Benedict Option*, and *Live Not By Lies*. Rod's commentary has been published in The Wall Street Journal, Commentary, The Weekly Standard, Beliefnet, and Real Simple, among other publications, and he has appeared on NPR, ABC News, CNN, Fox News, MSNBC, and the BBC. He lives in Baton Rouge with his wife Julie and their three children.

Reserve Your Spot:

You MUST reserve your spot with a paid reservation (\$40); space is limited and we are expecting heavy interest in this rare opportunity.

You Can Reserve Your Spot Three Ways...

1) **Online Credit Card** via our secure online payment portal: Very important: Please add \$2 for each reservation to cover electronic processing fees.

Mark "Fall Retreat" (and add names/ emails of those you're registering).

Go to www.Epiclesis.org and choose "Give."

2) **By Mailing a Check:** Payable to "Epiclesis" and marked "Fall Retreat" in the notes (and add names/emails of those you're registering).

Mail to Epiclesis: 11230 Gold Express Drive, #310-214; Gold River, CA; 95670-4484.

3) **In Person by Check** on Sunday mornings at Epiclesis. 4600 Winding Way.

NOTE: Please write a separate check for each registration (e.g. separate from tithes or offerings), make a note that it is for the fall retreat (and add names/emails of those you're registering).

Basic Retreat Details:

Oct. 29-30, 2021. Location: Christ the King Retreat Center (Citrus Hghts). \$40/person. Lunch included.

Fri. night, 6:30 PM (gather), 7-9 PM; Sat., 8:30 AM (gather), 9 AM-5 PM. (Note: This is not an overnight retreat). Rod will also teach in the Sunday morning service at Epiclesis (10:30 AM).

Questions? Info@Epiclesis.org.

About Epiclesis:

- You can always find more information on the web at www.Epiclesis.org.
- We worship on Sundays at 10:30 AM at the Carmichael Chapel, 4600 Winding Way; Sacramento; 95841.
- Listen to our podcasts (including two Rod Dreher interviews) by finding "Resources" on our website, or subscribing to our podcast feed on iTunes.
- Want to contact us or sign up for our eNewsletter? Just send us an email at Info@Epiclesis.org, or call (916) 572-9113.
- Our U.S. Postal mailing address is: 11230 Gold Express Drive, #310-214; Gold River, CA; 95670-4484.
- The Chapter House is our location in Old Fair Oaks Village where we have an office and space for ministry: 7985 Park Dr; Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Find us across the street from the Village Park and Festival Theatre.

A Note from Pastor Chris:



We're so very pleased to share the terrific news of this retreat with you! Two of Dreher's books, The Benedict Option and Live Not By Lies, surely has had

a big impact on our ministry at Epiclesis, especially in the last year.

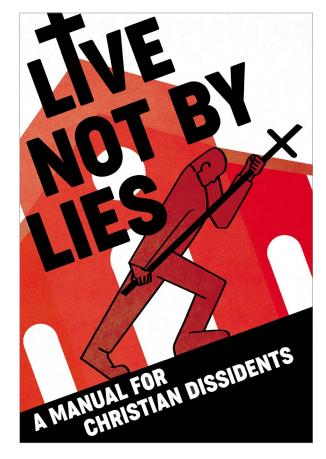
And, speaking of 2020, I am ever more convinced that Rod's prophetic works are important, if not essential, guides for how Christians can move forward in odd times like these. In my view, the books are some of the most helpful Christian resources of our time.

How do you get an internationally-known, bestselling author to come and do a retreat for your church and community? Simply by asking.

After reading his books, I reached out to Rod through a mutual friend to ask if he would record a couple of radio podcasts (which he did, and they are available in the Resources section of the Epiclesis website). I found him to be wonderfully down to earth, kind-hearted, transparent, and deeply sincere. I followed up our conversations with an invitation to come to Sacramento, and I'm happy to say that this retreat is the result of his kind response.

I'm hoping that you'll want to be a part of this remarkable opportunity. We're delighted to host you, and want you to know that we're happy to do everything we can to make your experience a great blessing.

The Lord be with you! Pastor Chris



A retreat with

Rod Dreher

Friday and Saturday
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