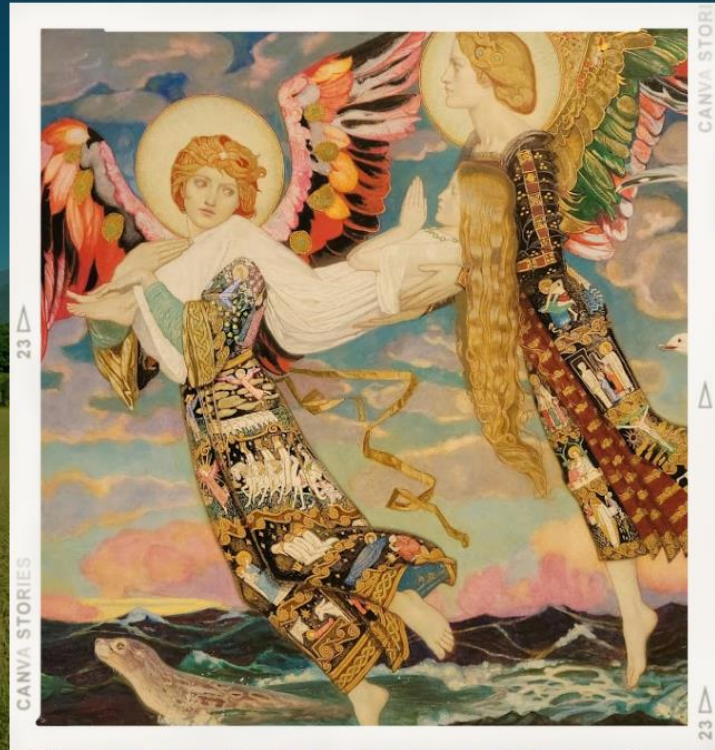
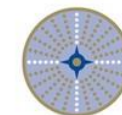


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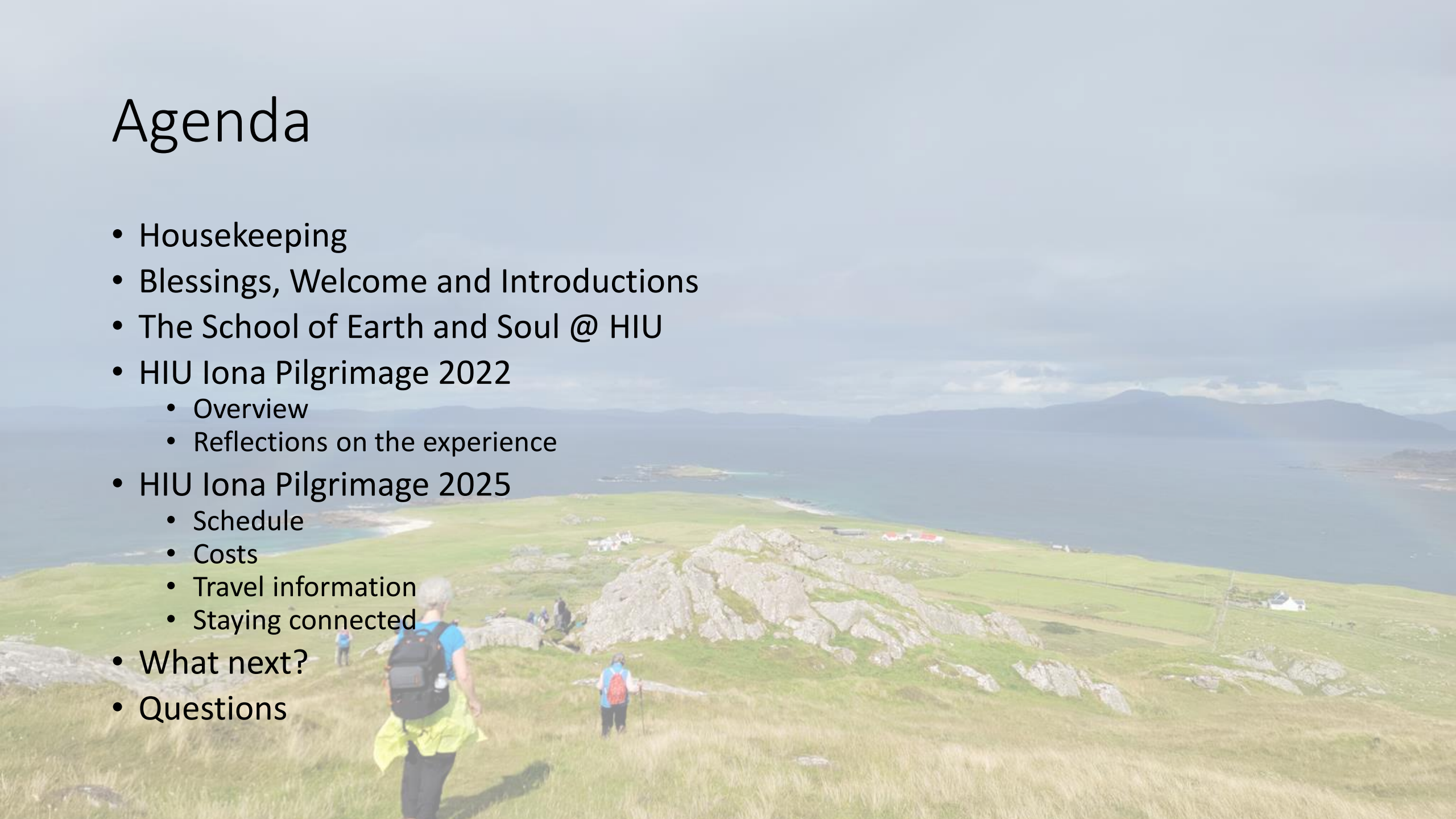


Earth & Soul

reawakening to the sacredness of Earth and every human being

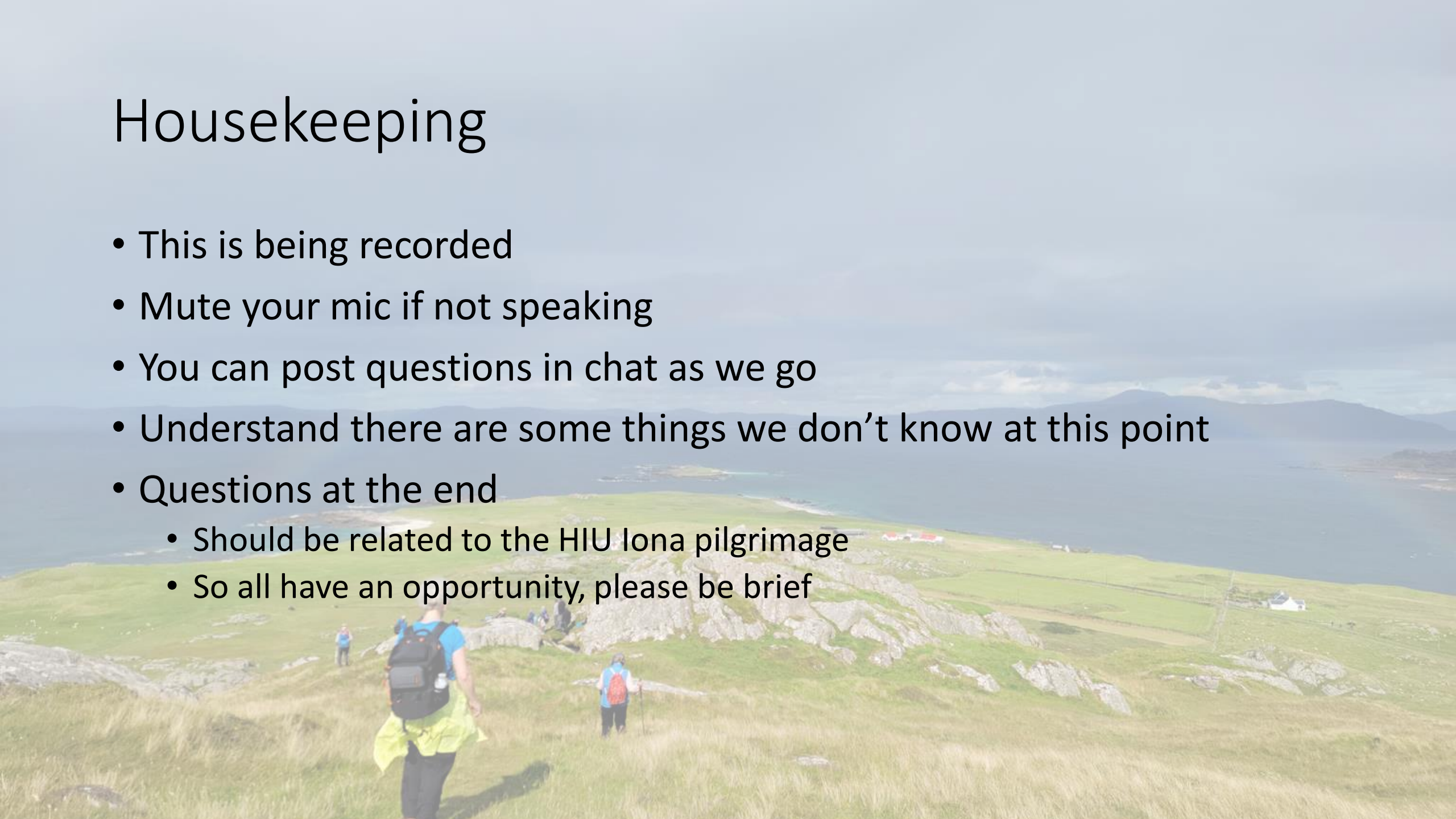
Agenda

- Housekeeping
- Blessings, Welcome and Introductions
- The School of Earth and Soul @ HIU
- HIU Iona Pilgrimage 2022
 - Overview
 - Reflections on the experience
- HIU Iona Pilgrimage 2025
 - Schedule
 - Costs
 - Travel information
 - Staying connected
- What next?
- Questions



Housekeeping

- This is being recorded
- Mute your mic if not speaking
- You can post questions in chat as we go
- Understand there are some things we don't know at this point
- Questions at the end
 - Should be related to the HIU Iona pilgrimage
 - So all have an opportunity, please be brief





Introductions

The School of Earth and Soul

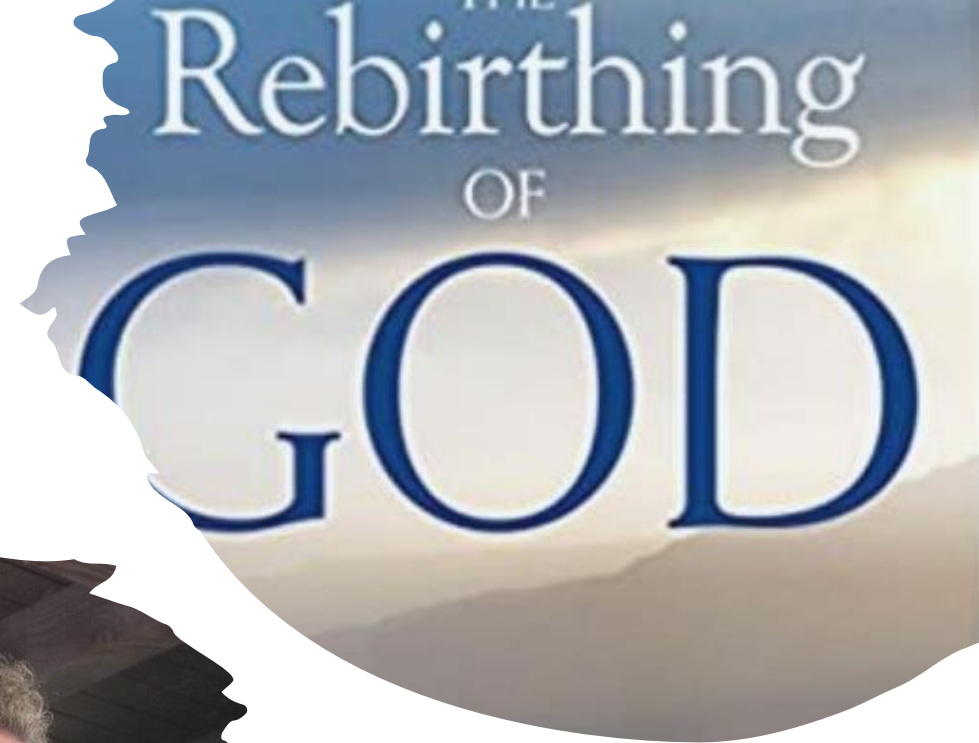
Purpose

In 2016 John Philip Newell began a teaching initiative that is now called The School of Earth & Soul (formerly The School of Celtic Consciousness.) Its purpose is to reawaken awareness of the sacred in all things and to help translate this awareness into compassionate action.

- Celtic Wisdom (Reawakening to the Sacredness of Earth & Soul through the recovery of Celtic Wisdom for today)
- The Great Search (Seeking the Sacred in a Time of Religious Exile)



reawakening to the sacredness of Earth and every human being



HIU Iona Pilgrimage 2022

- August 20-27, 2022
- Initial group meeting September 2021
- Monthly information sessions via Zoom
- Small group book study *Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul*
- 25 Pilgrims from HIU and a dozen or so friends who joined us on arrival



Iona Schedule

- Sunday service at the Abbey
- Martyr's Bay
- Viewing of *Hebridean Treasure*
- Daily instruction/teaching from John Philip Newell
- Ritual led by JP's wife Ali Newell
- Morning prayer at Michael Chapel
- Sacred ritual Oran Chapel
- Pilgrimage hike – Columba's Bay, hermit's cell, machair, Dun I, St. Brigid's Well
- Boat trip to Staffa
- Really amazing food!!!





Reflecting on Iona







“... a thin place, where only tissue paper separates the material from the spiritual...” George Macleod

Celtic Christian Rituals



HIU Iona Pilgrimage

June 7-14, 2025

- Who
- Pre-pilgrimage Schedule
- Transportation
- Lodging
- Travel Information
- Costs



HIU Iona Pilgrimage June 7-14, 2025

- Faculty
- Staff
- Students
- Friends of HIU
- Alumni



Pre-Pilgrimage Schedule

- 2023 – Engagement through information webinar and School of Earth and Soul events at HIU
 - Showing of Hebridean Treasure, April 19
 - School of Earth and Soul at HIU, July 7-9
- January 2024 – HIU Iona Pilgrimage Webinar 2
- Summer 2024 – Initial deposits due to confirm spot on trip



Pre-Pilgrimage Schedule

- July 2024 – School of Earth and Soul at HIU
- September 2024 – Monthly pilgrimage Zoom meetings begin
- December 2024 – Half of remain balance due
- January 2025 – Small group book study begins
- February 2025 – Remainder of balance is due
- May 2025 – In person gathering before the trip
- June 2025 – We're on our way to Iona!



Transportation

- Travel by air to Glasgow
 - Each pilgrim books their own air travel, airfare is not covered in the cost
 - Be sure to arrive in Glasgow at least on day prior to the start of the pilgrimage on June 6
 - Connecting flights
 - Shuttles and taxis will get you to central Glasgow



Transportation

- Glasgow to Iona
 - Charter bus from Glasgow to Oban (price included in cost)
 - Ferry from Oban to Craignure (pay online in advance or at ferry terminal)
 - Bus from Craignure to Fionnphort (pay bus driver, cash is best)
 - Ferry from Fionnphort to Iona (pay when boarding, cash or card)
 - Depart Glasgow 0800 arrive Iona 1700



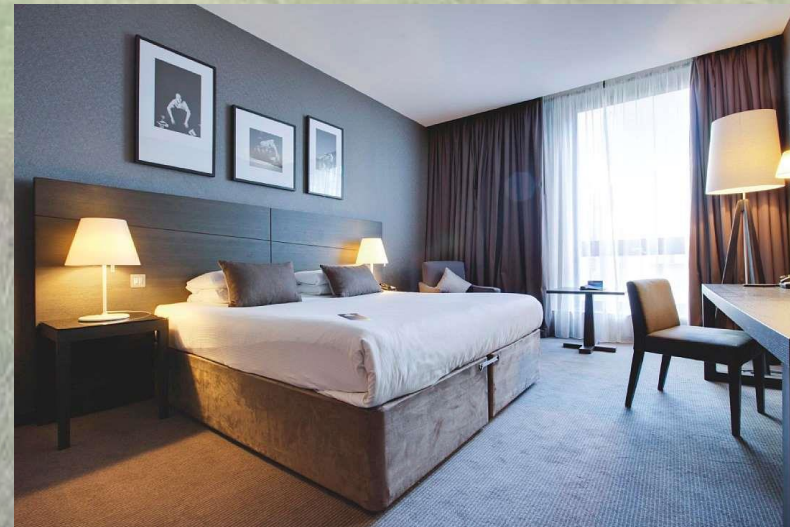
Transportation

- Travel in Scotland
 - Rail service
 - City service in Glasgow
 - Uber/Lyft
 - Air
 - Ferry



Lodging

- Glasgow
 - Radisson Blu hotel
 - Other Central Glasgow options
 - Hotels
 - Airbnb
 - Glasgow hotel not covered in package cost
 - 2 nights



Lodging

- Iona
 - St. Columba Hotel
 - Covered in cost
 - Room options
 - Single rooms – 9 available
 - Double rooms – 17 available
 - Require double occupancy
 - Prices vary depending on room size and view
 - Double rooms cannot be used for single occupancy



Lodging

Available rooms at St. Columba Hotel

Single Occupancy Rooms

- 7 single rooms with sea view
- 2 single rooms with back view

Double Occupancy Rooms

- 5 twin rooms with sea view
- 1 twin/double with sea view
- 1 family room with sea view
- 1 large double room with sea view
- 3 double rooms with sea view
- 1 superior room with sea view
- 4 twin rooms with back view
- 1 family room with back view



Travel Information

- Meals
 - In Glasgow, plan on purchasing all your meals
 - In Iona, breakfast and dinner are provided, lunch is on your own
- Communication
 - Cell phones
 - WhatsApp
- Passports
- ATMs
- Emergencies
- Weather



Cost

- What is covered in what you pay HIU?
 - Hotel on Iona
 - Program fee
 - Administrative cost
 - Charter bus Glasgow to Oban
- What is not covered?
 - Airfare
 - Hotel in Glasgow (\$150/night)
 - Meals and Incidentals (\$50/day/pp)
 - Ferry crossings, bus across Mull (\$100)
 - Travel outside of pilgrimage (side trips, local travel, etc.)



Estimating Cost

Based on 2022 Prices

Room Type	Price Per Person*
Single rooms with sea view	\$2830
Single rooms with back view	\$2580
Twin rooms with sea view	\$2719
Twin/double room with sea view	\$2719
Family room with sea view	\$2761
Large double room with sea view	\$2761
Double rooms with sea view	\$2719
Superior room with sea view	\$3094
Twin rooms with back view	\$2448
Family room with back view	\$2496

To calculate total cost (example):

Glasgow hotel - \$300

Ground transportation - \$100

Iona hotel choice, Twin Room with Sea View - \$2719

Airfare - \$900

Trip insurance - \$125

Meals and incidentals - \$500 (10 days)

Total estimated cost - \$4644

Hotel room rates will be provided in Summer 2024

Prices can change due to exchange rate

What next?

- Get on the email list to get updates
- Refer to hiuiona.weebly.com for archive of all updates sent
- Sign up for Earth and Soul at HIU in July
- Contact me – mcorey@hartfordinternational.edu
- Please spread the word! Share the link to the sign-up form/website





HEBRIDEAN TREASURE

Lost & Found

Wednesday April 19, 2023

6:30pm

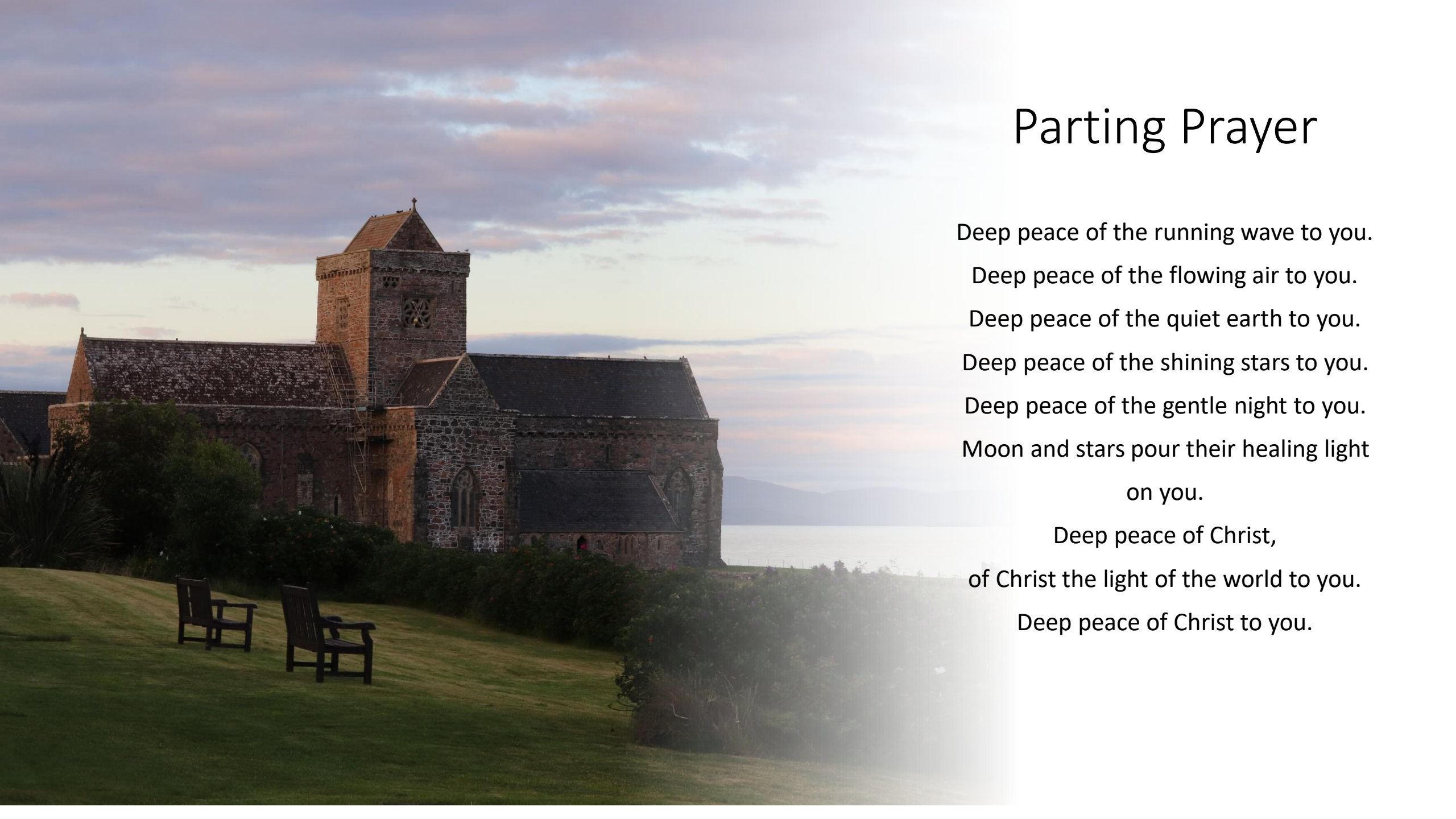
In person event at HIU

Watch HIU social media and email for details



Questions?





Parting Prayer

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the gentle night to you.

Moon and stars pour their healing light
on you.

Deep peace of Christ,
of Christ the light of the world to you.

Deep peace of Christ to you.