



The Grail in the US 2019

a snapshot of what we are doing today

Called by our spiritual values, The Grail envisions a world of peace, justice and renewal of the earth, brought about by women working together as catalysts for change.

- The Grail is an international women’s movement embracing women of any age, ability, faith tradition, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.
- We are committed to spiritual search, social transformation, ecological sustainability, and the release of women’s creative energy throughout the world. We are bonded in action, solidarity, and faith, working in 20 countries, as individuals and Grail groups, interconnecting regionally, nationally and internationally.
- Individually and as a community we work to advance the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals.
- Women of the Grail work on a wide variety of issues, together and with non-Grail members. Grail groups and circles are the means for providing support for each other in our work and for working together to live the mission and values of the Grail. Some circles are regional, organized by Grail members who live or work near other, and some are organized around specific work — anti-racism, environment, etc. Non-members may join Grail circles. If you’d like more information, contact the national office of The Grail in the US, office@grail-us.org

The Grail—Across the US

- UN SDG education, advancement, and collaboration
- Support work at UN
 - Commission on the Status of Women
 - Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
 - Working Group on Girls
- Taking a Stand on issues
 - Asylum-seekers 2019
 - Migration 2019
 - Murder of Berta Cáceres 2016
 - People’s Climate March 2014
 - Women Religious 2014
 - Occupy Wall Street 2012
- Anti-Racism Group and Conference
- US Grail Climate Action Circle
- Laudato Si study group

What is happening locally!

- Learning Labs
 - One Acre Wood observation post with Starfire
 - Birdhouse refurbishment with Starfire
 - O'Bannon Creek Water testing with Little Miami Inc. and UC
 - Butterfly garden (ongoing The Grail)
 - Bee hives (ongoing The Grail)
 - Callaway pear tree grafting (ongoing The Grail)
 - Green Roofs (coming soon The Grail)
 - Vertical Garden Lab (coming soon The Grail)
- Learning Lab Modules (edible forest and composting)
- Infrastructure for Learning Labs/passive education
 - Water catchment stations, portable sheds, portable greenhouse, and compost stations
 - Hiking trails
 - Meditation labyrinth
 - Organic certification
- Art at the Oratory: Schickel/Grail exhibit
- **Art at the Oratory: Festival of Faith community mural host 10/1-11/20, 2019**
- **Art at the Oratory series 2020 (Thomson, Malley, and??) 2020 dates TBD**
- **Parable Art Exhibit 11/23-1/6**
- **Holiday Indoor Meditation Labyrinth 11/23/2019-1/6/2020**
- Holy Week—Easter Liturgical Services
- Young Adult Work Initiative
- Community Support—nonprofit events
 - Festival of Faiths (steering cte, sponsor, and participant)
 - Loveland Art Show (participant)
 - Ohio Local History Alliance Annual Conference (participant and presenter)
 - Amazing Charity Race (sponsor, location host)
 - World Peace and Prayer Day (sponsor and participant)
 - Ohio Local History Alliance *Strategic Playbook* workshop (host)
 - MHS *Hometown History* sampler (participant)
- Community Support—nonprofit memberships
 - Museums and Historic Sites of Greater Cincinnati (member organization)
 - Girl Scouts of Western Ohio (Gold Award Committee member)
 - Great Oaks School District, Scarlet Oaks Business and Industry Board (member organization)
 - Ohio Ecological Farm and Food Association (member organization)
 - Green Umbrella (member organization)
 - Leadership Council (member organization)
- Community Support—regular meetings held at Grailville
 - Spiritual Paths NA (Sunday nights)
 - Loveland Zen Meditation (Monday nights)
 - Being Peace Sangha (Tuesday nights)
 - Community Vespers (Wednesday nights and Friday mornings)
- Community Support—Woman-Owned Start-ups
 - SoulCore Yoga
 - Playful Wanderings