

PFT Retiree Chapter

Washington DC at Christmastime
Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers
December 2-4, 2025

Tuesday, December 2

8:00 A.M. Departure from Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers Building on South Side for Washington DC. Rest stop mid-morning.

Arrive at **Christmas Market at Smithsonian** by lunch time. Plenty of options are here for lunch on your own and two blocks full of vendors to browse. If the weather is chilly, they are right in front of the Smithsonian Museums, so easy shelter is available.

After ample time for lunch and shopping our next destination is the **Botanical Gardens** on Maryland Ave. SW in the heart of the city. In addition to 5 G Gauge trains, you will see replicas of monuments, Christmas trees and much more to get in that Holiday spirit.

Mid-afternoon will see us checking into our hotel in nearby Oxon Hill, MD at National Harbor just across the Potomac from Alexandria. After a chance to relax, dinner will be included in one of the many dining establishments here. After dinner we will be treated to the **ice sculpture show** inside the beautifully decorated Gaylord National just across from our hotel. After the ice show, you will have plenty of time to take in the light show, Christmas shopping and all that the National has to offer. We may even get to see a Christmas show (schedule not out yet).

Wednesday, December 3

After our included breakfast the morning and early afternoon are yours to explore all that National harbor has to offer, including a giant Ferris wheel, the huge statue "the Awakening", many shops, MGM Casino and many places for a light lunch.

This afternoon we will enjoy a tour of Ford's Theater where Lincoln was assassinated as well as **the Lincoln Museum** on the lower level and the Peterson House across the street. (reservation pending, time may change) We will be driving by the **White House Christmas Tree**, the **Capitol Tree** and several memorials. The whitehouse tree should be in place, but it is possible the lighting will still be pending. Weather permitting, we may stop at the Lincoln, Korean and Vietnam memorials and the FDR and Martin Luther King memorials. Dinner will be included, family style Italian at Carmines.

After dinner we will board our coach for a driving tour of the city with all of the lighted memorials and the Christmas light displays.

Thursday, December 4

Breakfast included at the hotel and check out. This morning, we will visit Arlington **National Cemetery** and ride the on/off tour train. You may wish to stop at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for the changing of the guard, at the Lee-Custis Mansion, the Kennedy Graves or the Women's Memorial.

Lunch on your own will be at the Ronald **Reagan International Trade Center** Food Court, followed by departure from the city.

With a dinner stop en route home, arrival back will be early evening.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip motorcoach transportation, two nights hotel accommodations, two breakfasts, two dinners, all admissions as mentioned, baggage handling, Breakaway Tour Director, Taxes

Cost Per Person:	Double	Triple	Quad	Single
	\$899	\$869	\$839	\$1199



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Reservation Deadline—October 8, 2025

1. Name _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

2. My Roommate _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

(I would like a roommate) Yes _____ No, I prefer a single room _____

Emergency Contact for #1 _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact for #2 _____ Phone _____

My signature acknowledges that I fully understand that the PFT Retirement Chapter is not responsible for personal injury or loss and damage of personal property while on this trip; nor is the PFT as they are not sponsoring this trip.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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