

The Macrina Community

Our longing is for a worship experience that is capable of mediating an experience of God to a wide range of ages and experience, within the Anglican tradition. We seek liturgy that echoes that experience of God that is beyond words; that recalls its power, its mystery, its joy. We seek an experience of authentic human community wherein we are aware of a deep satisfaction in knowing others and being known by them, where we feel both safe and challenged, relaxed and invigorated, refreshed and empowered. We seek to honor God as both transcendent and immanent, enabling us to better love ourselves, others, and our world. We seek to worship God with all that informs our consciousness including our bodies and our senses. We want to be in a place of cultivation of each others' gifts, to discern with each other that place where "our deep gladness and the world's deep need coincide." We hold the sacraments as central mediators of our faith and seek an expression and experience of them that nurtures us on all levels as the Child, the Skeptic, the Mystic and the Hungry. Finally, and most dear to us, would be to find that, along the way, we are becoming God's friends.

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