

## Contemplative Fire offers:

- **Deep Listening** - small intimate groups of three people who meet monthly for deep listening
- **Stillness** - meditation groups that meet weekly or monthly
- **Way Beyond Religion** - small groups who meet regularly for sharing around the story of Christ's life
- **Open Circles** - larger groups who gather for times of shared stillness, spiritual creativity and theological exploration
- **Gatherings** - contemplative worship services
- **Retreat Days** - for deeper awareness and study and **Retreat-in-daily-life** - opportunities to experience the benefits of a retreat without leaving home or work
- **Spiritual Direction** - meeting regularly with a Spiritual Guide
- **Rhythms** - a retreat day based on Contemplative Fire's Rhythm of Life to help discover one's individual spiritual rhythm.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact....

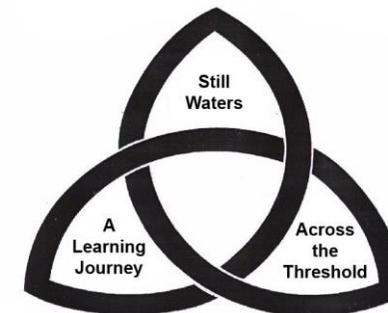
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*A Monastery without Walls for  
"Companions on the Way"*



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## Is Contemplative Fire for you?

- Do silence, stillness and simplicity attract you?
- Does the thought of encountering God in the present moment resonate with you?
- Does learning about and exploring the Christian mystery engage you?
- Prayer – Study – Action or Being – Knowing – Doing  
Do these words resonate with a life style that appeals to you?
- Do you sense something missing in your worship or spiritual life yet sense there may be vibrancy at the core of the Christian faith?

## What you can expect if you join us:

- Meeting others who are exploring the Christian contemplative path including stillness and silence, creative imagination and new forms of prayer
- The invitation to learn together from Biblical and contemplative writings
- Encouragement and support to stay true as “Companions on the Way” to our discovery of God through Jesus
- Times of playfulness and adventure; times of intellectual wrestling and intellectual challenge
- People who value respectful listening, acceptance of differences, personal authenticity, a willingness to learn and who want to promote healing within themselves and in the community
- A variety of venues from homes to parks to churches. As the seasons allow we can meet outdoors to encounter God’s presence in the natural world



## Members of Contemplative Fire are...

- ***aligned with Jesus.*** He is our model and our mentor. Discovering him and what his life, death and resurrection mean, guides our way of travelling light and dwelling deep.
- ***part of the timeless group of believers in Christ.*** As individuals we are part of the larger Contemplative Fire community which is part of the body of Christ, or the followers of Jesus, throughout time and around the world.
- ***joined together as travelling companions.*** As pilgrims on a sacred journey we join together to follow the way of the Risen Christ. We recognize the importance of sharing life and faith with others.
- ***part of a long tradition.*** Our journey together reflects our rootedness in the way of Christ and our continuity with those who have walked this way before us.
- ***contemplatives-in-action.*** We live seeking a healthy balance of contemplation and action, where the love of God we experience in prayer is lived out in love for ourselves and others.

***Contemplative Fire is an intentional and dispersed community of people who are seeking to be fully present to the kingdom of God here and now.***

