



*The Anchorage:*  
*A Contemplative Community for All*

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*Come away...*

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Dear Friends of The Anchorage,

We can join together in gratitude, celebration and joy for 25 years of God's care and faithfulness. The Anchorage has relied and depended upon this merciful care. It is through God's grace and safe keeping that The Anchorage is strengthened and participants connect with and experience the love of God. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity in the past to support this ministry in a time when quiet and contemplation are often devalued. We have been moved by your support.

Over many years, I have been honored to hear numerous accounts from folks describing their encounters with various Anchorage offerings. I'd like to share an especially powerful one with you. An individual had experienced the death of a spouse. Feeling very empty and alone, this individual described periods of deep depression. A concerned friend suggested that The Anchorage had a website and it could be helpful to explore it. After being encouraged by the vision, mission statement and upcoming events this person decided to attend a book study.

Next was Spiritual Direction then the annual beach retreat. In time, finding a safe space to open up to God and meeting others on similar paths brought peace, care and in accordance "union with God."

Because The Anchorage is a nonprofit ministry, it depends wholly on donations and presence from community for its sustainability and growth. I hope you will consider with me as I discern my part in supporting this ministry which provides opportunities to experience this God who loves fully and without condition. As a product of God's love we are invited into a mutual dance wherein God leads and we follow. God's heart joins with ours and we have the privilege of bringing more love into the world.

Prayerfully and in hope,

Madeline Blackwell  
Donor, Servant Leader, past Chair of Servant Leaders

