



OneBodyOneFaith

Rhythm Annual Report 2023

Rhythm grew out of an ambition of the trustees to build an intentional dispersed community that could support LGBT+ Christians not only survive but thrive in their faith. There are still many challenges facing us in the Church and the world, and while we are called to prophetic activism and challenge, we are also called to flourish as dearly beloved children of God, fearfully and wonderfully made as we are. Rhythm seeks to provide a foundation that allows that flourishing alongside, or instead, of local churches. We focus on a rhythm of accessible liturgy, prayer, silence and the seasonal rhythm of nature.

Since the last AGM we have continued our weekly Zoom prayer space, moving to a Thursday at 6:30pm. Over the year we have welcomed new people along and established a core group of regular community members. It was a privilege to take Rhythm on tour to the European Forum in May 2022 and to the Members' Day in December 2022, from which we have welcomed new people.

The Advent and Lent resources we offered seemed to be appreciated by people and, interestingly, were picked up beyond Rhythm or OneBodyOneFaith members. As we looked to providing retreats we held an initial online retreat in March and are currently organising our September retreat. It would be great if trustees and members had particular themes or speakers that they wanted to suggest in order to help us provide what would help you flourish.

Rhythm is there to be a support and community so if you have any questions, feedback or ideas please do be in touch.

Fr Lee Taylor
Volunteer Chaplain to Rhythm

Membership 2023

Membership has declined by 5% in the last year. Our student membership has grown and we have 9 church members.