The first core value that we highlight at CSB/SJU is to look for God not in the abstract, but in the ordinary events of every day. “We’re already in the presence of God. What’s absent is awareness (Richard Rohr).”

As referenced in chapter 19 of the Rule of Saint Benedict, “We believe that the divine presence is everywhere and that in every place the eyes of the Lord are watching the good and the wicked (Prov. 15:3). Let us consider, then, how we ought to behave in the presence of God and his angels, and let us stand to sing the psalms in such a way that our minds are in harmony with our voices.”