

## ***SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 SEASON OF CREATION***

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**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – Season of Creation 2**

**Greeter: *Roger T***

**Leader: *Helen***

***Meditation Song: TIS 745 - Seek Ye First***

*(please remain seated)*

1. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God  
And his righteousness  
and all these things  
shall be added unto you  
Alellu, alleluia

*Alleluia, Alleluia*  
*Alleluia, allelu, alleluia*

2. Ask and it shall be given unto you  
Seek and you shall find  
Knock and it shall be  
opened unto you  
Alellu, alleluia

*Alleluia, Alleluia*  
*Alleluia, allelu, alleluia*

3. We shall not live by bread alone  
But by every word  
That proceeds  
From the mouth of the Lord  
Alellu, alleluia

*Alleluia, Alleluia*  
*Alleluia, allelu, alleluia*

## **Welcome**

### **Greeting:**

May Christ be with you  
**And also with you**

### **Christ Candle:**

We light this candle as a reminder of Christ  
The firstborn over all creation  
In whom all things were created  
Visible and invisible  
In whom all things hold together  
Present with us now

### **Moment of Stillness**

### **Acknowledgement of Country:**

Video - Safina Stewart

***Call to Worship: Helen***

Come, let us worship God, the Creator of all things, who calls us to dwell in peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

**We gather in gratitude for God's creation, longing for justice and peace to abide in the land.**

Come, let us follow the Lord Jesus Christ, who reconciles all things and leads us in the way of righteousness, so that the wilderness may become a fruitful field and the fruitful field be deemed a forest.

**We come to walk in the footsteps of Christ, seeking healing for creation and peace for all people.**

Come, let us move with the Holy Spirit, the breath of life, who is poured out upon us, bringing renewal to the earth and restoring the harmony of Creation.

**We praise God, who revives the land and calls us to be peacemakers with all of Creation.**

The effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever.

**God of justice and peace, we gather in Your presence, united with all living beings. We come in hope, in worship, and in commitment to live as caretakers of Your world.**

May our prayers rise like incense, and our worship be a song of love for all Creation.

**We thank the Lord for giving life to all Creation! We thank God for our neighbours' life, human and non-human alike.**

As we gather, we share the hope and the sufferings of our sisters and brothers in the whole Creation.

**In communion with the waves of the sea, with the waves of the trees, we say together:**

**"I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made."**

**We love you, God!**

**Amen.**

***Hymn: TIS 188 Where wide sky rolls***

1. Where wide sky rolls down and touches red sand  
Where sun turns to gold the grass of the land  
Let spinifex, mulga and waterhole tell  
Their joy in the One who made everything well

2. Where rainforest calm meets reef, tide and storm  
Where green things grow lush and oceans are warm  
Let every sea creature and tropical bird  
Exult in the light of the life-giving Word

3. Where red gum and creek cross hillside and plain  
Where cool tree ferns rise to welcome the rain  
Let bushland, farm, mountain-top, all of their days  
Delight in the Spirit who formed them for praise

***Prayer of Confession: Helen***

An invitation to lament the wrongdoings of humanity against creation  
To confess the part we have played in damaging the earth  
To groan with creation and mourn the loss of life  
To choose once more the way of repentance

Song on video:  
'All of Creation Groans' by Helen Wright

***Assurance of forgiveness: Helen***

Where truth is acknowledged, freedom comes  
When the way of repentance is chosen, there are new possibilities

**Way maker, lead us down paths of new life  
Bring healing to the earth  
and freedom for the oppressed  
God of new creation, guide us now**

**Amen.**

**Peace: Helen**

May the peace of Christ be with you  
**And also with you**

*Sharing of the peace*

**Moment for the young at heart: Brian**

***Bible Readings:***

**Genesis 2:4b-25**

In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, 5 when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no vegetation of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground, 6 but a stream would rise from the earth and water the whole face of the ground— 7 then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground[c] and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. 8 And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. 9 Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 A river flows out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it divides and becomes four branches. 11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one that flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold, 12 and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. 13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one that flows around the whole land of Cush. 14 The name of the third river is Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." 19 So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field, but for the man[d] there was not found a helper as his partner. 21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

24 Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

## **2 Corinthians 5:16-17**

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way. 17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!

## **Revelation 21:1-6 (The Inclusive Bible)**

1 Then I saw new heavens and a new earth. The former heavens and the former earth had passed away, and the sea existed no longer. 2 I also saw a new Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down out of heaven from God, beautiful as a bride and groom on their wedding day. 3 And I heard a loud voice calling from the throne, "Look! God's Tabernacle is among humankind! God will live with them; they will be God's people, and God will be fully present among them. 4 The Most High will wipe away every tear from their eyes. And death, mourning, crying and pain will be no more, for the old order has fallen." 5 The One who sat on the throne said, "Look! I'm making everything new!" and added, "Write this, for what I am saying is trustworthy and true." 6 And that One continued, "It is finished. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To those who are thirsty I will give drink freely from the spring of

the water of life.

Hear the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Reflection: Helen Norton**

*Moment of Silence*

**Hymn: TIS 137 For the beauty of the earth**

1. For the beauty of the earth  
for the beauty of the skies  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies

Christ, our God, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise

2. For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night  
hill and vale and tree and flower  
sun and moon and stars of light

Christ, our God, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise

3. For the joy of ear and eye  
for the heart and mind's delight  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight

Christ, our God, to you we raise



this our sacrifice of praise

4. For the joy of human love  
brother, sister, parent, child  
friends on earth and friends above  
for all gentle thoughts and mild

Christ, our God, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise

5. For the church that evermore  
lifting holy hands above  
offers up on every shore  
the pure sacrifice of love

Christ, our God, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise

***Prayers of the People: Ron***

***The Lord's Prayer: Ron***

**Our Father in heaven  
hallowed be your name.  
your kingdom come  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread  
forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us in the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours.  
Now and forever.  
Amen**

## **Community News – *Helen***

### ***Hearing from our children - Helen***

#### **Song: Give Me Oil in My Lamp**

1. Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning  
give me oil in my lamp, I pray  
give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning  
keep me burning till the break of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King!

2. Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
give me joy in my heart, I pray  
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
keep me praising till the break of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King!

3. Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving  
give me peace in my heart, I pray  
give me peace in my heart, keep me loving  
keep me loving till the break of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King!

4. Give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
give me love in my heart, I pray  
give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
keep me serving till the break of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
sing hosanna to the King!

***Benediction: Helen***

**by Uncle Vince Ross**

May the God of creation warm your heart like the campfires of old  
Bring wisdom and peace as shown to the First Peoples of this land  
Shake off the dust from the desert plains by the refreshing rains  
Followed by the glow and warmth of the sun  
Let the light of God show us the right path and stand tall  
Like the big river gums drawing life from the ever flowing waters.

And the blessing of God Almighty  
Creator, Christ and Spirit  
Be upon you and remain with you always

***3-fold-Amen***

***Pastoral Prayers:***

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