

Sunday, May 31, 2026  
Trinity

Call to Worship & Candle Lighting

by Rev. Darryl Macdonald

God. *candle is lit*

God, the Maker;

**firming the rock; flowing the water;**

**shining the sun; glowing the stars; birthing the child; intending the life.**

God. *candle is lit*

God, the Redeemer;

**welcoming the outcast; listening to the ignored;**

**calming the tempest; teaching the seeker; healing the sick;**

**challenging the system.**

God. *candle is lit*

God, the Sustainer;

**renewing the weary; breathing the Word;**

**empowering justice; consoling the lost; filling the faithful;**

**enflaming passions.**

**Song**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty **VU315**

A Time of Centring

Take this moment to centre yourself deeply in the love of God

and prepare yourself for an encounter with the Holy.

Begin with your breath.

Feel the air pass your nostrils and glide down your throat to fill your lungs.

Drop you diaphragm and let your belly and back expand.

Notice the rhythm of your breathing, and the spaces between you breath.

The air you breathe is sacred for it is the breath of God.

Your body is sacred for it manifests the Holy One in substance and form.

Be aware of your body and how you are sitting.

Let your hands fall open and your feet feel grounded.

Ask of God what you need at this moment and give space for the response.

Take some time to reflect on your relationship with God, the world, your sacred centre.

Honour your connection to God's creation.

Offer something of yourself.

Be open to receiving God's gift to you this day.

Now, return to your body.

Imagine there is a light the softly glows from your heart, through your limbs and head,

and radiates out into the world, connecting with people, animals, fish and birds,

with water, soil and even rock, and give thanks to God for the experience of life.

## Song

Praise The Maker **VU316**

## Scripture

**Matthew 28.16-20** New Revised Standard Version, Updated Edition.  
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16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

## Another Voice

*by Richard Wagamese from Embers*

Sometimes Creator blinks. Sometimes She is not looking at me. Those instances can feel really, really long some days, but what's going on is that Creator is showing Her trust in me. She's letting me know that I have the tools to cope with things, that I've learned enough in my walk with Her to walk gracefully through those moments when She blinks. And that's when I should blink, too. Close my eyes and breathe, feel the unceasing current underneath everything, surrender to it, then open my eyes again to possibility and walk on. That's how I learn to be graceful. Full of grace. In the blink of an eye.

## Song

The Play Of The Godhead **MV43**

## Reflection

Abstract Mystery

## Offering Time

## Mission and Service Story

Belonging Without Barriers

Every child should be able to experience the joys of camp: laughing around a fire, trying something new, and feeling the joy of community.

But for some children, camp is not always accessible. When needs are more complex, when extra care, training, or equipment is required, families can be left wondering if there is a place where their child will be able to participate and truly belong.

Through Mission and Service partners, that answer is yes.

At Pearce Williams Summer Camp & Retreat Facility, inclusion is part of the foundation. Staff are specially trained. Adaptive and sensory supports are built into the experience. Care is taken to ensure that every camper can participate fully and safely.

At Pearce Williams, inclusion is more than access. It is about belonging without barriers. Children are not sitting on the sidelines, but fully part of camp life, joining in the singing, swimming, creating, and connecting alongside others. It means families can trust that their children are not just welcomed, but fully supported.

Our gifts to Mission and Service help make this possible. They provide the tools, training, and care needed to ensure no child is turned away because their needs are complex.

Every child deserves a place at camp, and every child deserves to know they belong.

### Offering Song

Body, Mind And Spirit **MV153**

Prayer of Intercession

by Ian M. Fraser from Holy Ground

Look, Lord on your world - then look on us.

**How can we match up to the world's needs?**

**We cannot even identify them adequately.**

**Come to our aid!**

Chant: Lo, I am with you to the end of the world.

**We pray for those caught up in war, those whose homes have been destroyed;  
those grieving the deaths of family members and friends.**

Chant: Lo, I am with you in the darkness of death.

**We pray for those deprived of food,  
especially when it is the result of others' greed;  
we pray for those who cannot find clean water to drink.**

Chant: Lo, I am with you when you leave self behind.

**We pray for those suffering from preventable diseases, especially AIDS;  
for those left orphaned.**

Chant: Lo, I am with you suffer for love.

**We pray for those around our doors who are ill, lonely, neglected,  
denied such friendship as we enjoy.**

Chant: Lo, I am with you in the changes of life.

Prayer Circle

*Free prayers for those who need our prayers*

Alan, Angela, April, Barbara, Bev, David, Dot, Jim, Judy, Karen, Levi, Linda, Loidi, Mark, Nancy, Rona, Ronda, Rudy, Russell, Shannon, Shawn, Valerie

Take the time and gifts you have entrusted to us,  
and teach us how to use them to give others the abundant life  
which Jesus Christ came to bestow on all -  
so that your people may rejoice in the new life you give,  
for you are the life-giver and we are your servants.

The Lord's Prayer (A Paraphrase) VU916

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be.**

**Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom**

**sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In time of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.**

Song

It's A Song Of Praise To The Maker **MV30**

Closing Responses

*by Rev. Darryl Macdonald*

The loving Creator calls us;

**God keeps us forever.**

The gracing Son sends us;

**Christ is with us always.**

The communing Spirit empowers us;

**She breathes new life into us.**