

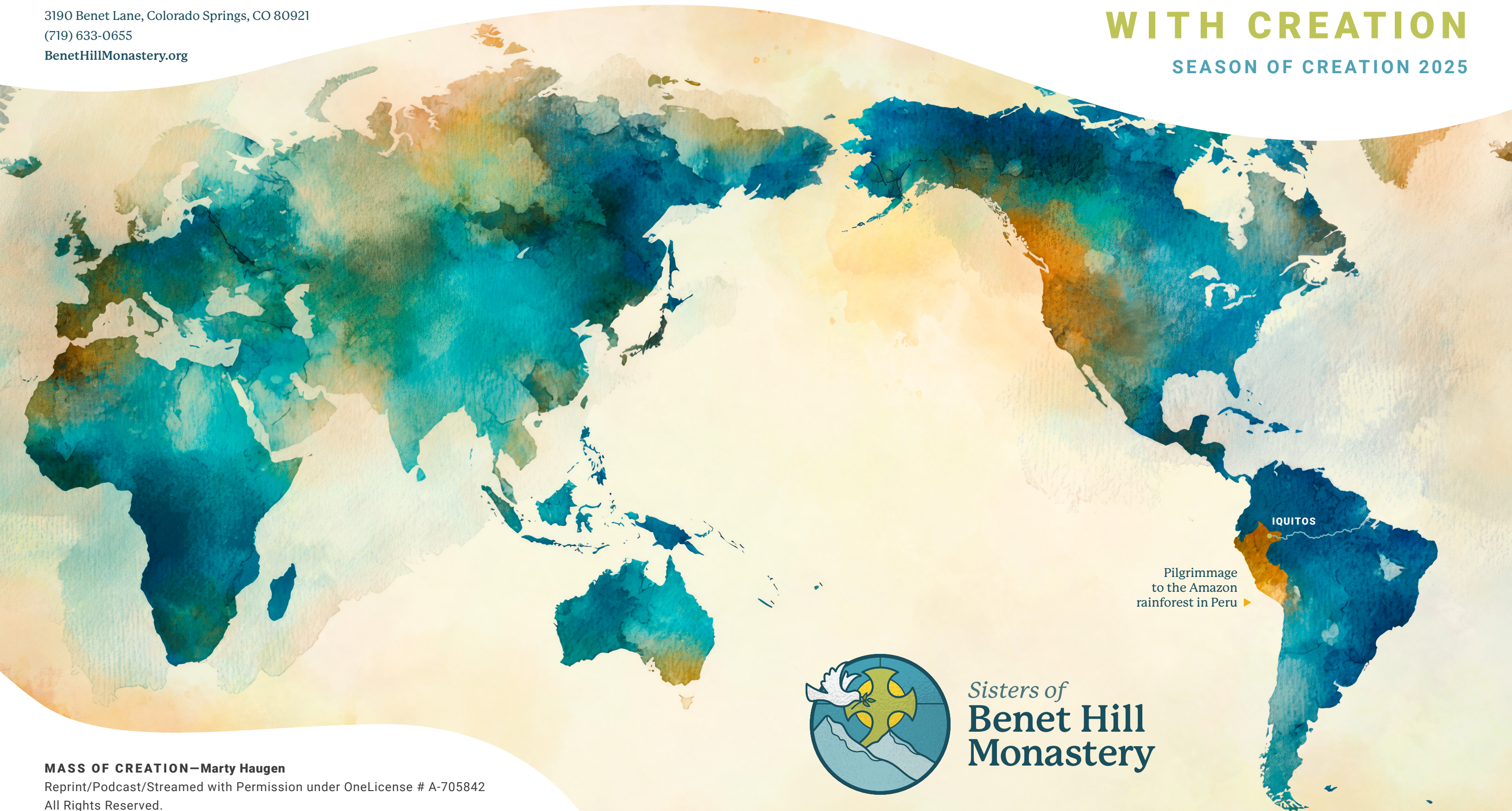


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# Peace

## WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2025



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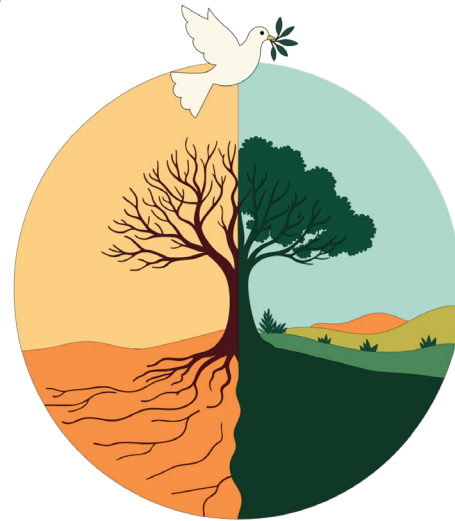
**MASS OF CREATION—Marty Haugen**

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# Isaiah 32:14-1

The prophet Isaiah pictured the desolated Creation without peace because of the lack of justice and the broken relationship between God and humankind.



This description of devastated cities and wastelands eloquently stresses the fact that humans' destructive behaviors have a negative impact on the earth and humankind.

The Prophet proclaims: "All of Creation will find peace when justice is restored." Isaiah assures us that there is still hope and the expectation for a peaceful Earth.

Doing hope in a biblical context, does not mean we stand still or remain quiet. To do hope is to act, pray, change, and reconcile with Creation, Humankind, and the Creator in unity, through moments of metanoia (conversion), and solidarity.

## OPENING SONG

# Glory and Praise

G D Em G

Glo - ry and praise to our God, who a - lone gives

D Am C G

light to our days. Man y are the bless - ings God

Bm C D G

bears to those who trust in God's ways.

Dm7 C Am D

1. We the daugh - ters and sons of God who built the  
2. In His wis - dom He strength - ens us, like gold that's  
3. Ev - 'ry mom - ent of ev - 'ry day our God is

D G Dm7 C

1. val - leys and plains. Praise the won - ders our God has  
2. test - ed in fire. Though the pow - er of sin pre -  
3. wait - ing to save. Al - ways read - y to seek the

Bm7 Em A D D9/C G/B A7sus4

1. done in ev - 'ry heart that sings.  
2. vails, our God is there to save.  
3. lost, to ans - wer those who pray.

MASS OF CREATION  
*Glory to God*

REFRAIN:

Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and on earth  
peace to peo - ple of good will.

VERSES:

1. We praise you; we bless you;  
we adore you; we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
O God, almighty Father.
- Have mercy on us.  
You take away the sins of the world,  
Receive our prayer,  
You are seated at the right hand  
of the Father, have mercy on us.
2. Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world,
3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father.  
Amen.

READINGS:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 90

Melody  
In ev - cry age, O God, — you have been our ref - uge. —

VERSES

1. You turn us back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of God." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday now that it is past, or as a watch of the night.
2. Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O God! How long? Have mercy on your people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le lu ia, Al-le - lu ia, Al-le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia.

HOMILY

THE NICENE CREED: Pages 27-28

OFFERTORY

*In Every Age*

Janet Sullivan Whitaker

**Verses 1**

1. Long be - fore the moun - tains came to be and the land and  
1. sea and stars of the night, through the end-less sea - sons of all  
1. time, you have al - ways been, you will al - ways be.

**Refrain**

In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our ref - uge.  
In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.  
God, you have been our hope,  
you have been our ref - uge, you have been our hope.

**Verses 3**

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be  
3. pa - tient e - ven as we wait. Teach us to em - brace our ev - 'ry joy and  
3. pain. To sleep peace - ful - ly, and to rise up strong.

**to Verses 2,3 last time: to Refrain**

MASS OF CREATION

*Holy*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Memorial Acclamation*

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -  
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

*Amen*

A - men, a - men, a - men!

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Lamb of God

Musical notation for the 'Lamb of God' prayer. It consists of three staves. The first staff is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics 'Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the'. The second staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'world, have mer - cy on us.' with a 'To repeat' bracket above it. The third staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'world, grant us peace.' with a 'Last time' bracket above it.

COMMUNION SONG  
I Have Loved You

Musical notation for the 'I Have Loved You' communion song. It consists of three staves. The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'I have loved you with an ev - er - last - ing love. I have'. The second staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'called you and your are mine; I have loved you with an'. The third staff is in 2/4 time and contains the lyrics 'ev - er - last-ing love, I have called you and you are mine.'

Musical notation for the 'Seek the face of the Lord' prayer. It consists of two staves. The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics '1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for', '2. Seek the face of the Lord and long for', and '3. Seek the face of the Lord and long for'. The second staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'him: He will bring you his light and his peace.', 'him: He will bring you his joy and his hope.', and 'him: He will bring you his care and his love.'

MUSICAL MEDITATION: See, I Make All Things New

VERSES

1. Come, let us go to a bright and holy city,  
a place where we can dream, where we are free.  
Come, Let us go from this world of trial and sorrow.  
O lead us to a home of lasting peace.

REFRAIN

2. Come, let us go to a land where all the people can  
freely share the wisdom of their God.  
Come, let us go to an Earth where all the nations  
can walk together in the light of love.

And God said, I am with you. Truly I am with you.  
See, I make all things new.  
I am with you. Truly I am with you.  
See, I make all things new.



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*You, O God, are supreme and holy.*  
*You create our world and give us life.*  
*Your purpose overarches everything we do.*  
*You have always been with us.*  
*You are God.*

*You, O God, are infinitely generous and good beyond all measure.*  
*You came to us before we came to you.*  
*You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, God made flesh,*  
*Who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.*

*You, O God are Holy Spirit.*  
*You empower us to be your gospel in the world.*  
*You reconcile and heal, you overcome death.*  
*We worship you. You are our God.*

SENDING SONG  
*Lead Me, God*

1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their God  
2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be theirs,  
3. Blest are they who through their life - times sow the seeds of peace,

for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.  
and the pure in heart shall see their God.  
all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.

Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con - soled,  
Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can fill,  
Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly life,

and the meek shall come to rule the world.  
for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.  
for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Lead me, God, \_\_\_\_\_ lead me, God, \_\_\_\_\_ by the light \_\_\_\_\_ of

truth to seek and to find \_\_\_\_\_ the nar - row way. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Be my way; \_\_\_\_\_ be my truth; \_\_\_\_\_ be my life, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ my God, and lead me, God, to - day. \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING SONG

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before you, hail you as the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the pain of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the joy of day.

2. All your works with joy surround you, earth and heav’n reflect your rays,  
Stars and planets sing around you, center of unbroken praise;  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, blossoming meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in you.

MASS OF CREATION: Glory to God Page 3

READINGS:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 78

Do not\_\_for - get,\_\_ do not\_\_for - get\_\_ the  
works of\_\_ our God. the works of\_\_ our God!

VERSES

- 1. Hearken, my people, to my teaching, incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter mysteries from of old.
- 2. While being humbled, they prayed, and inquired after God again, remembering that God was their rock and the Most High God, their Redeemer.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le lu ia, Al - le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia.

HOMILY

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OFFERTORY

Only This I Want

On - ly this I want: \_\_ but to know the Lord, \_\_  
and to bear his cross, so to wear the crown he wore.  
1. All but this is loss, worth - less ref - use to me,  
2. I will run the race; I will fight the good fight,  
3. Let your heart be glad, al - ways glad in the Lord,  
1. for to gain the Lord \_\_ is to gain \_\_ all I need. \_\_  
2. so to win the prize \_\_ of the king - dom of my Lord. \_\_  
3. so to shine like stars \_\_ in the dark - ness of the night. \_\_

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COMMUNION SONG

The Supper of Our God

Refrain



Pre-cious bod - y, pre-cious blood, seen as bread and wine;  
here the Lord pre - pares the feast di - vine.  
Bread of love is bro - ken now, cup of life is poured:  
come, share the sup - per of our God.

Verses



1. This is the bread of God com - ing down from heav'n,  
2. "I am the liv - ing spring of e - ter - nal life;  
3. "I am the bread of heav'n giv - ing life to you;  
4. "All those who feed on me have their life in me,  
5. All praise to you, O Christ, pres - ent in this feast;

to Refrain



1. giv - ing life to us, to all the world.  
2. you that drink from me shall not thirst a - gain."  
3. you that eat this bread shall nev - er die."  
4. as I have my life in the liv - ing God."  
5. in this bread, we share in one life, one Lord.

MUSICAL MEDITATION: Sacred Silence

REFRAIN Sacred silence, Holy ocean, Gentle waters, washing over me  
Help me listen, Holy Spirit, Come and speak to me

VERSES 1. God Creator, Christ my brother Holy Spirit, sanctifying me  
Lord, I'm sorry, please forgive me Come and set me free.  
2. Holy Mary, Gentle mother God's pure vessel, praying for me  
Saints and Angels, all in heaven Come and be with me,

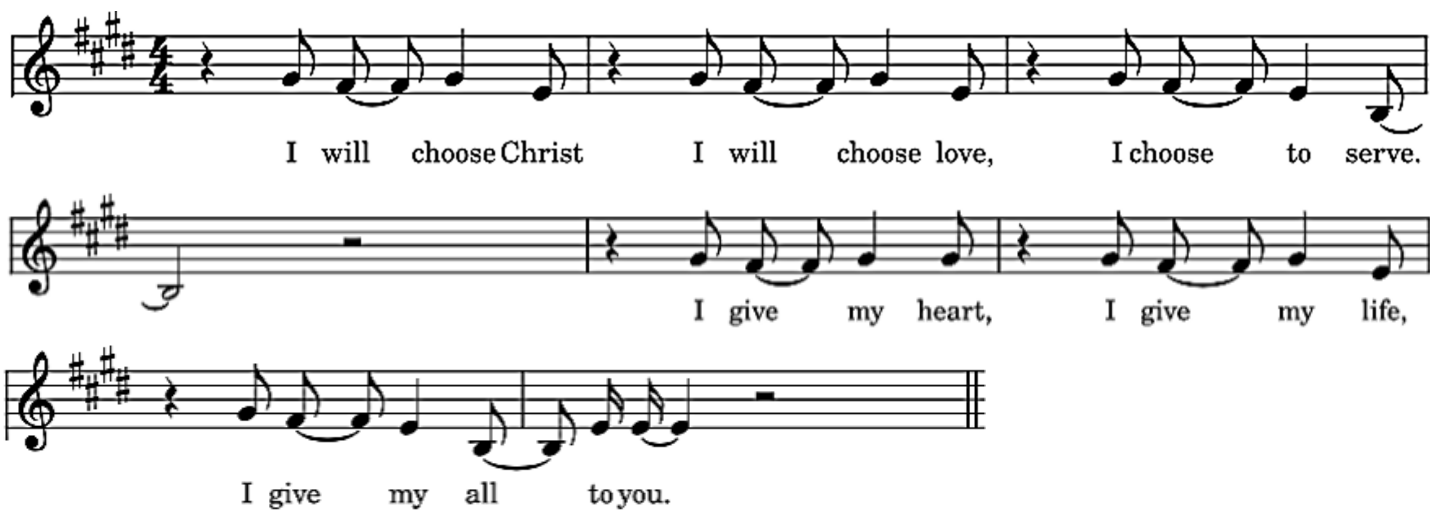
ENDING Come and speak to me

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BLESSING

SENDING SONG

I Will Choose Christ



I will choose Christ I will choose love, I choose to serve.  
I give my heart, I give my life,  
I give my all to you.

VERSES 1. How many times must he call my name and show to me that he is God.  
and as a servant he calls to me: "you must serve too."  
2. Christ my teacher and healer, teach my heart and heal my soul.  
and as I walk this road with you: teach me to love.



OPENING SONG  
*Sing to the Mountains*

Sing to the moun-tains, sing to the sea. Raise your  
voic - es, lift your hearts. This is the day our God. has  
made. Let all \_\_\_\_\_ the earth re - joice. \_\_\_\_\_

VERSES

1. I will give — thanks to you, my God. You — have  
3. This is — the day that our God. has made. Let us be  
1. an - swered my plea. \_\_\_\_\_ You have saved my soul from  
3. glad and re - joice. \_\_\_\_\_ Death has lost and all is  
1. death. You are my strength and my song. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. life. Sing of the glo - ry my of God. \_\_\_\_\_

FINAL ENDING

joice. \_\_\_\_\_ Let all \_\_\_\_\_ the earth re - joice. \_\_\_\_\_ *Fine*

MASS OF CREATION: **Glory to God** Page 3

READINGS:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: **Psalm 113**

Praise our God who lifts up the poor.  
Praise our God, who lifts up the poor.

VERSES

1. Praise, you people of God, praise the name of the Maker.  
Blessed be the name of God both now and forever.  
2. High above all nations is God; above the heavens is glory.  
Who is like our loving God, who is sovereign on high and looks  
upon the heavens and the earth below?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le lu ia, Al-le - lu ia, Al-le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia.

HOMILY

THE NICENE CREED: Pages 27-28

OFFERTORY

River of Glory

Refrain

Riv - er of glo - ry, springs of our birth, flood of God's

rich - es poured on the earth. We are born from the dark-ness

and clothed in the light! We are bathed in the glo - ry of

1-4 to Verses Final

God! God, bathed in the glo-ry of God!

Verses

1. Foun-tain of mer - cy, grace flow-ing free, streams of sal -

2. Here there is ha - ven, heal - ing and health, joy for the

3. Bread for our jour-ney God will pro - vide. Hope for all

4. Dark-ness is ban-ish-ed, night turned a - way. Christ is our

to Refrain

1. va - tion, spill-ing with love from a tree!

2. ask - ing, love in a - bun-dance of wealth!

3. a - ges, Je - sus, com - pan - ion and guide!

4. sun-light, lift - ing and lead - ing our way!

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COMMUNION SONG

Pan de Vida

Refrain

Pan de Vi - da, cuer-po del Se - ñor

cup of bless - ing blood of

Christ the Lord At this ta -

- ble the last shall be first po

- der es ser - vir por-que Dios es a - mor.

Verse

1. We are the dwelling of God fra-gile and

2. Us - te - des me lla-man "Se - ñor," me in - cli-no a la -

3. There is no Jew or Greek, there is no

wound-ed and weak We are the bod-y of Christ

- var - les los pies: Ha-gan lo mis-mo, hu - mil

slave - or free: there is no wom-en or man

called to be the com - pas-sion of God

des, sir - vién do-se - u nos a o - tros

on - ly heirs of the prom-is of God



MUSICAL MEDITATION: *By the Waking of Our Hearts*

REFRAIN *By the waking of our hearts by the stirring of our souls  
may the spirit of God abide and bring us together in Christ.*

VERSES

1. Come O spirit from above come from your celestial heights come with Your blessed light so radiant bright.	2. In our labor, rest most sweet; grateful coolness in the heat. Console our restless lives, by Your comfort, we seek.
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BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Take the Word of God With You

Take the word of God with you as you go.  
Take the peace of God with you as you go.

Take theseeds of God's word\_ and makethem grow.  
Take theseeds of God's peace and makethem grow.

Go\_ in peace toserve the world, in peace toserve the world. Take the

love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

OPENING SONG

Come and Follow Me

Verses

1. Come, be my light, be my voice to the na -  
2. Go, take your gift to the poor and the lone -

tions. Be my hands, be my heart for the world.  
ly. As you love, so will I live in you.

Would you go, where I go? Where I lead,  
Will you feed, feed my lambs? Share your hope

will you fol - low? Would you leave ev-'ry - thing  
with the hope - less? Bring new sight to the blind

for my sake? By the pow - er of the Spir -  
in my name? With a tow - el and a ba -

it, ev - 'ry - one with ears to hear it will em -  
sin, t'ward the king - dom we will has - ten, through the

brace the call to love with - in their heart.  
nar - row gate that leads to Cal - va - ry.

**Refrain**

If an - y - one would come and fol - low me, my dis -

ci - ple you would be. Leave the past be - hind, seek and you will

find all you're called to be. If an - y - one would

come and fol - low me, know the truth will make you free.

Give and you re - ceive. Trust me and be -

lieve. Come and fol - low me.

With a tow - el and a ba -

sin, t'ward the king - dom we will has - ten, through the

nar - row gate that leads to Cal - va - ry.

**D.S.**

MASS OF CREATION: **Glory to God** Page 3

READINGS:  
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: **Psalm 146**

Praise our God my soul! Praise our God my soul!

**VERSES**

1. Blessed is God who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. Our God sets captives free.

2. God gives sight to the blind; God raises up those who were bowed down. God loves the just, God protects strangers.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le lu ia, Al - le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia, Al - le - lu ia.

HOMILY  
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OFFERTORY


The Summons



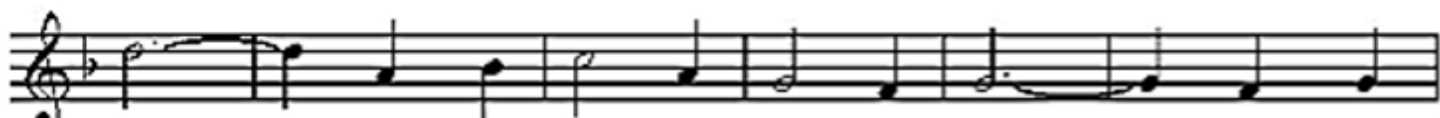
1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but call  
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but call  
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but call  
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but call  
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but call



1. your name?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you go where you don't know And  
2. your name?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you care for cruel and kind And  
3. your name?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you set the pris - 'ners free And  
4. your name?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you quell the fear in - side And  
5. my name.\_\_\_\_\_ Let me turn and fol - low you And



1. nev - er be the same?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you let my love be  
2. nev - er be the same?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you risk the hos - tile  
3. nev - er be the same?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you kiss the lep - er  
4. nev - er be the same?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you use the faith you've  
5. nev - er be the same.\_\_\_\_\_ In your com - pa - ny I'll



1. shown,\_\_\_\_\_ Will you let my name be known,\_\_\_\_\_ Will you  
2. stare\_\_\_\_\_ Should your life at - tract or scare?\_\_\_\_\_ Will you  
3. clean,\_\_\_\_\_ And do such as this un - seen,\_\_\_\_\_ And ad -  
4. found\_\_\_\_\_ To re - shape the world a - round,\_\_\_\_\_ Through my  
5. go\_\_\_\_\_ Where your love and foot - steps show.\_\_\_\_\_ Thus I'll



1. let my life be grown In you and you in me?\_\_\_\_\_  
2. let me an - swer prayer In you and you in me?\_\_\_\_\_  
3. mit to what I mean In you and you in me?\_\_\_\_\_  
4. sight and touch and sound In you and you in me?\_\_\_\_\_  
5. move and live and grow In you and you in me.\_\_\_\_\_

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COMMUNION SONG

Bread for the World


Refrain: All



Bread for the world: a world of hun - ger. Wine for all



peo - ples: peo - ple who thirst. May we who eat



be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love.

Verses:



1. Oh Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro - ken to  
 2. Oh Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in - to  
 3. Oh Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the



1. reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. Where we di -  
 2. hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. Where we are  
 3. rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. Where we sur -



1. vide your peo - ple, you are wait - ing there  
 2. tired and wea - ry, you are wait - ing there  
 3. vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed,



1. on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.  
 2. to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.  
 3. you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - 'ry need.

## MUSICAL MEDITATION: *By the Waking of Our Hearts*

**REFRAIN** *Change our hearts this time  
 Your word says it can be  
 Change our minds this time  
 Your life could make us free*

**VERSES** *We are the people, your call set apart  
 So, this time change our hearts.*

1. *Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams  
 One foot in paradise, one in the waste  
 Drawn by your promises, Still we are lured  
 By the shadows and the chains we leave behind.*

2. *Show us the way that leads to your side  
 Over the mountains and sands of the soul  
 Be for us manna, water from the stone  
 Light which says we never walk alone*

## *The Affirmation of Faith for the Liturgical Season of Creation* Page 9

### BLESSING

### SENDING SONG

*Come and Follow Me* Page 20-21



# Nicene Creed

*I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.*

*I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.*

*God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.*

*For us all and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became flesh.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.*

*He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.*

*I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.*

*I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## 2025 PRAYER

# Season of Creation

### **Creator of All,**

*We praise you for the gift of life and for the faith that unites us in care of our common home.*

*We confess how estranged we have become, from one another, from Your Creation, and from our truest selves.*

*We acknowledge that our greed and destructive impulses have fractured our relationships with you, with others, and with the Earth.*

*Fertile fields have become barren, forests lie desolate, and oceans and rivers as polluted.*

*Thriving communities have become places of suffering, and the earth cries out.*

### **Beloved Christ,**

*Who spoke "Shalom" to frightened hearts, stir us to compassionate action.*

*Inspire us to work for the end of conflict, and for the*

*full restoration of broken relationships –*

*With you, with the ecumenical community, with the human family, and with all creation.*

### **Savior of Peace,**

*Through your sacrifice, teach us to stand in solidarity*

*with the woundedness of others, of creation, and of the world.*

*Through your resurrection, make us people of hope –*

*with a vision of swords turned into ploughshares and tears transformed into joy.*

*May we come together as one family, to labor for your peace –*

*a shalom where all of your people may dwell in safety, and rest in quiet places. Amen.*

# Peace WITH Creation

## SEASON OF CREATION 2025