

SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

PRELUDE Romance Without Words
(Gabriel Fauré arr. Lucy Ann Warriner)

**WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**Acknowledgment of Territory/Every Child Matters/
Rainbow Candle of Inclusion** Brian Walter

INTROIT Breath of God, Word of Peace
(Adam M.L. Tice/Fred Kimball Graham)

CALL TO WORSHIP (Genesis 1:1-5)

In the beginning,
when God began to create the heavens and the earth,
**the earth was complete chaos,
and darkness covered the face of the deep,**
while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.
Then God said,
“Let there be light,”
and there was light.
**And God saw that the light was good,
and God separated the light from the darkness.**
God called the light Day, and the darkness he
called Night.
**And there was evening and there was morning,
the first day.**

We remember the first day, the first words,
the first Love that called us into being.
Let us worship with grateful and open hearts!

***HYMN** It’s a Song of Praise to the Maker **MV 30**

It’s a song of praise to the Maker, the thrush sings high in
the tree. It’s a song of praise to the Maker, the gray whale
sings in the sea,

**Refrain: And by the Spirit you and I can join our
voice to the holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the
Maker too.**

It’s a call of life to the Giver when waves and waterfalls
roar. It’s a call of life to the Giver when high tides break
on the shore, **R**

It’s a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumblebees hum
along. It’s a hymn of love to the Lover; the summer
breeze joins the song, **R**

It’s the chorus of all creation; it’s sung by all living
things. It’s the chorus of all creation; a song the
universe sings, **R**

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL AND LORD’S PRAYER
(Genesis 1:6-8)

And God said,
**“Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters,
and let it separate the waters from the waters.”**
So God made the dome and separated the waters that
were under the dome from the waters that were above
the dome.
And it was so.
God called the dome Sky.
**And there was evening and there was morning,
the second day.**

And so we pray,
**Creator God, where you brought order and
diversity to creation,
we humans moved to separation and division.
Where you see the goodness of creation,
we humans often begin with its usefulness to us.
With grief for the hurt we have caused,
unintentionally, even unknowingly,
we offer our hearts to you,
praying as Jesus taught,
Our Father, who art in heaven.....Amen.**

WORDS OF GRACE (Genesis 1:9-10)

And God said,
**“Let the waters under the sky be gathered
together into one place,
and let the dry land appear.”**

And it was so.
God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were
gathered together he called Seas.
And God saw that it was good.

God does not stop seeing the goodness of the Earth or the
goodness of our hearts.
We are renewed by God’s love!

SUNG RESPONSE Dance with the Spirit (MV 156)

**Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin’,
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life abornin’,
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**

TIME FOR ALL AGES (Genesis 1:11-13)

FINDING GOD TOGETHER

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 8 p. 7 Brian Walter

ANTHEM Set Me as a Seal (Richard Nance)
Myles Heney, trombone

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Genesis 1:14 – 2:3
(The Fourth to Seventh Days of Creation)

SERMON All the Rest *Reverend Emily Gordon*

***HYMN** This is God’s Wondrous World pp. 7-8

SHARING GOD’S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY A Joyful Excursion (Joel Raney)
Faith-a-Peal Handbell Ensemble

***DEDICATION** We Are An Offering *(D. Liles)*

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours; we are an offering. We are an offering.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER & Prayer Shawl Blessing**

PRAYER PRELUDE I Waited on the Lord (VU 954)

I waited, I waited on the Lord; I waited, I waited on the Lord; who bent down low and remembered me and who heard my prayer. (repeat)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN** All Things Bright and Beautiful p. 8

***COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

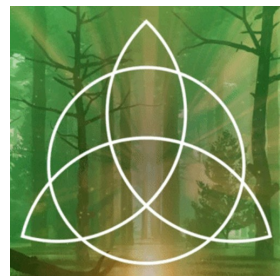
***SUNG BLESSING** May the Love of the Lord (MV 218)

**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God’s love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God’s countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God’s Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**


POSTLUDE Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
(Franklin Ritter)

We welcome Rev. Emily Gordon as our pulpit supply Minister today. Rev. Emily Gordon (BA, MA, MDiv) has lived and studied in different parts of the country before returning to Toronto, where she has been in ministry for the past decade. Recently, Emily was part of former Moderator Carmen’s (Re)Generate leadership program, as well as the Eco-preacher program from the BTS Center and Creation Justice Ministries. At present, she is in part-time ministry with Bathurst United Church, as well as starting Burningbush Eco-ministry, using guest preaching, retreats and workshops, and green lectionary groups for ministers to transform how we can be communities of faith in the climate crisis.

<https://www.youtube.com/@burningbushecoministry>



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Trinity Sunday

**May 31, 2026
11:00 AM**

Psalm 8 VU 732

R O God, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth!

O God, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth! From the lips of infants and children your praises reach up to the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your foes, to quell the enemy and the avenger. R

When I look to the heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their places,

what are we mortals that you should be mindful of us, mere human beings that you should care for us? R

You have made us little less than divine, and crowned us with glory and honour.

You have made us rulers over all creations, and put all things under our feet,

all sheep and cattle, all creatures of the wild,

the birds of the air and the fish in the sea, and all that make their way through the waters. R

This is God's Wondrous World VU 296

This is God's wondrous world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is God's wondrous world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is God's wondrous world: the birds their carols raise; the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise. This is God's wondrous world: God shines in all that's fair; in the rustling grass or mountain pass, God's voice speaks everywhere.

This is God's wondrous world: O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is God's wondrous world: why should my heart be sad? Let voices sing, let the heavens ring: God reigns, let earth be glad!

All Things Bright and Beautiful VU 291

R All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful: in love, God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colours, God made their tiny wings. **R**

The purple headed mountains, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky; **R**

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden: God made them every one. **R**

The rocky mountain splendour, the lone wolf's haunting call, the great lakes and the prairies, the forest in the fall; **R**

God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God our maker, who has made all things well. **R**