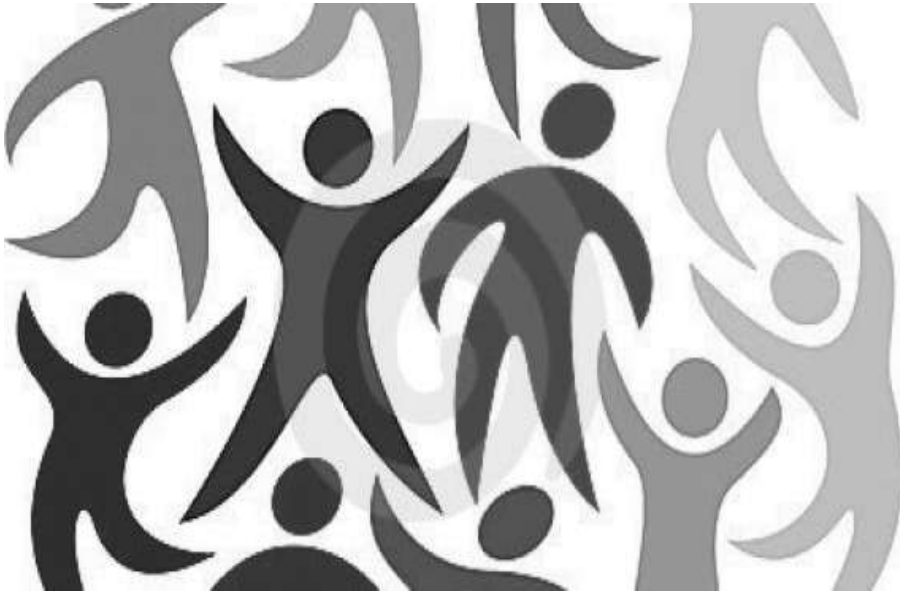


WELCOME TO...

The Presbyterian Church of  
Saint David  
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Early Morning Service in the Season of Creation

***“Hear this all you peoples,  
give ear all inhabitants of the  
world, both high and low, rich  
and poor.”*** ***Psalm 49.1-2***



**Introduction to Theme:** Here we have the second expression of what it means to be human and created by and for God. What is our true place in the created order? *(Silence to consider our response)*

*In the name of God, who creates all peoples, in the name of Jesus Christ, who gives new life to all peoples, and in the name of the Spirit, the same breath in all peoples. From fears that paralyze us; Heal us, O Lord. From illness that strangles us; Heal us, O Lord. From sorrows that weigh us down; Heal us, O Lord. From aimlessness that plagues our visions; Heal us, O Lord.*

Hymn: Song of Healing Tune: Morning has Broken (Bunessan)

1. Healing is flowing, deep in the waters,  
Flowing from Eden, flowing from old.  
All through creation, God sends forth waters,  
Oceans of healing, for all the world.
2. Healing is rising, fresh with the morning  
Healing is rising, bursting with grace.  
Christ, our rich healing, deep in creation,  
Heal Earth's deep wounds and rise in this place

**Genesis 2.7** then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, 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. ... **15** The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. **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... **25** And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

*Healing God, we come before you broken, yet seeking wholeness, isolated, yet seeking community, overwhelmed, yet seeking simplicity, shamed, yet seeking grace: God, we yearn for the healing you promise. God of Justice, we come before you selfish, yet seeking a generous heart, arrogant, yet seeking humility, responsible for injustices, yet seeking forgiveness: God, we yearn*

**for the justice you promise.** *God of Peace, we come before you afraid,  
yet seeking assurance, agitated, yet seeking serenity, angry, yet seeking a  
forgiving heart: God, we yearn for the peace you promise.*

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**Revelation 22.1** Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb **2** through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. **3** Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; **4** they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. **5** And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

*Where there is fear I can allay, and pain I can heal*

**Lord, grant me courage and strength.**

*Where there is hate I can confront, where there are yokes I can release*

**Lord, grant me courage and strength.**

*Where there are captives I can free, and anger I can appease*

**Lord, grant me courage and strength.**

*When comes the day I dread and I see how broken is the world*

**Lord, grant me courage and strength.**

*And when I have done all that I could and still there are hearts I cannot move*

**Lord, grant me hope and compassion, now and always.**

4. Healing is given, flows from forgiveness,  
Healing is given, flows from our faith.  
Christ, give us heart to love your deep healing,  
Living forgiveness, even in death.

5. Healing is rising, free in Christ's body,  
Healing is flowing, free with Christ's blood.  
May this deep healing pulse through our bodies,  
Heal the world's wounds still bleeding and red.

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Jesus, you are the Bread of Life, bread broken to mend all broken dreams, broken people, broken homes and broken hearts. Break the good news gently to suffering, struggling spirits, that you are nourishment to anyone who hungers for life. Amen



Bless, O God, all creation.

The sun that rises every morning  
and clouds that bring us rain  
and the moon in the dark night sky.  
Bless us that we may be a blessing  
to all we meet.

Heal us, O God, from all  
that ails us—illness, dis-ease,  
despair, hunger, thirst, all.  
Heal us and all creation.

Bless the leaders of nations  
fill them with wisdom.  
Bless the leaders of cities  
and towns that all  
can work in unity  
for the wellbeing

of everyone, all  
creation.

Help us, O God to be  
your disciples. To listen  
with open ears and heal  
with open hearts.  
Help us, O God to be  
your disciples.  
Amen

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Hymn: “Here is bread, here is wine” **546**  
*Jesus said: “I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger, and  
all who believe in me shall never be thirsty. **We are hungry and thirsty.**  
**God, we come!** God, may this bread connect us more closely with you and  
with our neighbours near and far. **Bless this bread, we pray.** May this  
fruit of the vine remind us of the inter-connectedness of people around the world.  
**Bless this cup, we pray.** May this simple meal bring us into union with  
you, your people and your world united in the One Body of Christ.*

“Jesus, the Lamb of God” **545**

*Come, Holy Spirit. Come. Open our eyes to the mystery of Christ’s presence in  
these ordinary things in these our ordinary lives. May they be for us the very  
essence of the living Christ in our midst. Through the broken bread . . . **We**  
**participate in the Body of Christ.** Through the cup of blessing... **We**  
**participate in the new life Christ gives.** These are the gifts of God  
for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!** Come, for all things are  
ready!*

#### Communion

Hymn: Sent forth by your blessing (vs.1) **775**

Christ calls you to be his disciples, to serve him with love and  
compassion, to serve Earth and the peoples of Earth. Will you  
care for creation? **With Christ, we will care for creation! With**

**Christ, we will keep our planet green! With Christ, we will  
celebrate life!**

Hymn: Sent forth by your blessing (vs.2)

**775**

