



**Welcome to this years “Season of Creation.”**



**Listen to the  
Voice of Creation**  
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

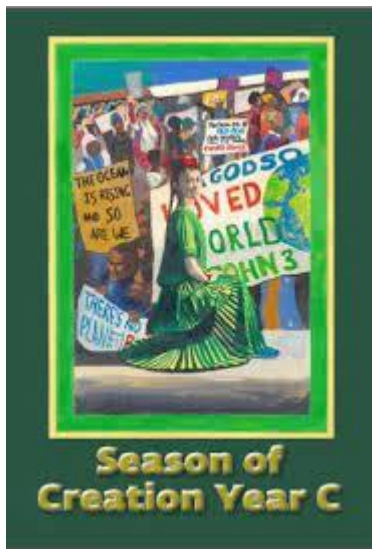
At St Barnabas Anglican Church we will be using a special Sunday liturgy for the Sundays of September and celebrating Harvest Festival on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.

Parishioners will be encouraged to participate in a variety of activities exploring the theme of **“Listen to the Voices of Creation”**

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many have become familiar with the concept of being muted in conversations. Many voices are muted in public discourse around climate change and the ethics of Earth-keeping. These are voices of those who suffer the impacts of climate change. These are voices of people who hold generational wisdom about how to live gratefully within the limits of the land. These are voices of a diminishing diversity of more-than-human species. It is the voice of the Earth.

The 2022 Season of Creation theme raises awareness of our need to listen to the voice of creation. Click on the image to download the **Celebration Guide**.





**This Season of Creation** rather than using separate themes we are using the readings from the Revised Common Lectionary. Each section contains sermon notes and liturgical resources:

**Week One :** World day of prayer for creation

**Week Two:** The consequences of lifestyle

**Week Three:** The community of all creation

**Week Four:** The cry of the earth and the cry of the poor

**Week Five:** The Curse of Affluence

**Week Six:** St Francis Day

### WHAT IS THE “My Little Bit of Good” FAST?

Stemming from a quote from the late Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, “Do your little bit of good where you are; its those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.”

We recognize that this season of creation we are all on our individual journeys, but as we perform our “little” actions where we are, when added together makes a significant impact. For this Creation journey we at small actions that we can perform in our everyday lives. Use this Lenten resource to challenge your relationship with the environment. Click on the image to download the Challenge.



Click on links to register for the webinars

**The Church of England has a Season of Creation webinar series** exploring environmental themes in theology and worship:

- **Monday 12 September 2022, 12-1pm**  
[What does the New Testament have to say about the environment?](#) – Revd Margot R Hodson, Director of Theology and Education at the John Ray Initiative.
- **Tuesday 20 September 2022, 4-5pm**  
[Why evangelism and creation care are essential to each other](#) – Revd Steve Hollinghurst, Evangelism Enabler with an Environmental focus at Lichfield diocese.

- **Thursday 22 September 2022, 4-5pm**  
[Climate, gender and racial justice](#) – Maria Andrade, Theology and Network Engagement Global Lead for Tearfund.
- **Monday 26 September 2022, 12-1pm**  
[Creation speaks of God's glory](#) – Dr Cheryl Hunt, Honorary Senior Research Fellow, Department of Theology and Religion, University of Exeter and Tutor on the South West Ministry Training Course.

## Daily Reflection for Creationtide

These daily reflections will draw on a wide range of writers and thinkers from across the Christian tradition, as well as from my own experience. Although the reflections are intended to be used during the five weeks of Creationtide, they could be used at any time during the year.

Each week will follow a broad theme, expressing it through reflection, experience, poetry and question, though of course there will be a natural overlap between the different weeks' themes. **Week one** will focus around God the Creator, reflecting on what that says about God and about the world. **Week two** will explore the place and role of humans within the created world. **Week three** will look at how creation praises the creator, and how it can inspire and shape our praise. **Week four** will ponder how we can prayerfully see and encounter the creator within the creation. Finally **week five** will take inspiration from women and men across the Christian tradition who have had a particular connection with creation.

Click on the image to download the daily reflections.



## DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR CREATIONTIDE



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