### Leader: Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

13th Sunday after Pentecost

The 1st week in the Season of Creation



Garden of Peace

Service Prep: Leonie

Music: Wiggles 189

Proof-reader: Kristine

Broadcaster: Paul

Backup Broadcaster: Barry

Zoom Buttons: Viki

Chat Host: Viki

Priest: Jamee

Deacon: Jamee

Welcomer: Julie

Leader: Jeremy

Cantor: Margo

First Reader: Helen

Second Reader: Leonie

Preacher: Flashback Sermon

Fellowship: Julie

Safety Officer: Chris

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### Hospitality

service ministry



Leader: Please mute for the service unless invited to offer your voice as part of the

Have the video camera Video on or off and turn the volume and brightness up or down on your 

Our Cantor acts as our voice,



offering the responses, in Bold Text, which we say together

Feel welcome to use the chat and reaction emojis





Please take care of yourself in this space. Come and go as you need



☐ It is great to take rest in this space, so falling asleep is also OK ☐

© Remember, pastoral care is available to all in the community, if you'd like to speak to someone about anything spiritual.  $\heartsuit \square$  Visit the <u>help page</u> at the website to reach out  $\oplus$ 

Our Being Together ethos and safeguarding practices can also be accessed on the website [

Come as you are - we are all here together!

### Invitation

Leader: As we settle into worship let your breath be soft, your mind be still, and your heart be open to the presence of God.

Opening Chant

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rlYOt0BvlRQ

#### Leader and Cantor unmute

### The Greeting

#### Leader:

The Grace of the lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

### Gathering Prayer

#### Leader:

Come, let us worship God, the Creator of all things, who calls us to dwell in peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places. We gather in gratitude for God's creation, longing for justice and peace to abide in the land.

Come, let us follow the Lord Jesus Christ, who reconciles all things and leads us in the way of righteousness, so that the wilderness may become a fruitful field and the fruitful field be deemed a forest.

We come to walk in the footsteps of Christ, seeking healing for creation and peace for all people.

Amen.

#### Sentence

Leader: I invite our Cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

Cantor: Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus cannot be his disciple.

Luke 14.27

### Prayer of Approach

Leader: We pray the prayer of approach together.

All: God our Father in heaven, we come before you today with hearts and minds open to receive your wisdom. We hope to find comfort in familiar ritual, yes, but also to be challenged. Today, we may hear familiar words and stories that soothe our souls, but you, O Lord, will stir in us new understandings to refresh and renew our faith. Humbly, we bow before you, O God, who frees us from the shackles that we may not realise are ensnaring us, to be the people you mean us to be. Amen.

#### The Deacon or LA Introduces Confession

All Creation is full of God's praise, and we are called to join in with joy, righteousness and peacefulness.

Yet as we look around us, we see conflict and destruction.

We acknowledge: We ourselves cause conflict and destruction, and often fail to walk the path of peace.

Everywhere on the planet, humans cause great harm, even as we know that the scope of destruction varies, and that everywhere human beings are among the victims of our deep conflict with Creation.

All too often, we fail to live as we are called to live.

We fail to be ambassadors of peace, righteousness and reconciliation.



#### The Deacon or LA Introduces Confession

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins.

Let us come before the Triune God for forgiveness and renewal.

All: Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Deacon or LA offers the Proclamation of Forgiveness in the Season of Creation

May our God have mercy on us, forgive us our trespasses and give us new life.

Indeed, God has promised grace and forgiveness to us: "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places." (Isaiah 32:18)

Let us rejoice and trust in our calling, live as we are called to live, reconciled with the Father, ambassadors for Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### If Present the Priest offers Absolution

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to God in faith; pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Leader: Our First Hymn is

### For the Fruits of His Creation

Let's sing or enjoy the music together

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0YAvyk2IQho

We stay on mute Leader and Cantor mute

### Collect in the Season of Creation

#### Leader:

God Most High, maker of heaven and earth. you created humankind in your own image and entrusted the whole world to human care: give us grace to serve you faithfully, that we might be trustworthy stewards of your creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Leader: I invite the 1st Reader to unmute and offer the 1st reading when ready.

Reader 1: The first reading is from Jeremiah 18.1-11

<sup>1</sup> The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: <sup>2</sup> 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' <sup>3</sup> So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. <sup>4</sup> The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. <sup>5</sup> Then the word of the Lord came to me:

<sup>6</sup> Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8 but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. 9 And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it,

but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. <sup>11</sup> Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Leader: We now say the psalm antiphonally, I invite the first reader to lead and we will all respond with the Responses in Bold along with our cantor as our voice.

Psalm <sup>1</sup> O Lord, you have searched me out and known me:

139.1-5, you know when I sit or when I stand,

139.12-18 you comprehend my thoughts long before.

<sup>2</sup> You discern my path and the places where I rest: you are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>3</sup> For there is not a word on my tongue:

but you, Lord, know it altogether.

<sup>4</sup> You have encompassed me behind and before: and have laid your hand upon me.

Continue...

- <sup>5</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me: so high that I cannot endure it.
- 12 For you have created my inward parts: you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- <sup>13</sup> I will praise you, for you are to be feared: fearful are your acts, and wonderful your works.
- and my bones were not hidden from you:
  when I was formed in secret,
  and woven in the depths of the earth.

Continue...

- <sup>15</sup> Your eyes saw my limbs when they were yet imperfect: and in your book were all my members written;
- <sup>16</sup> Day by day they were fashioned: and not one was late in growing.
- <sup>17</sup> How deep are your thoughts to me, O God: and how great is the sum of them!
- <sup>18</sup> Were I to count them, they are more in number than the sand: were I to come to the end, I would still be with you.

#### The 2nd reader unmutes

Leader: Thank you, 1st reader. I invite the 2nd Reader to unmute and offer the 2nd reading when ready.

Reader 2: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading is from Philemon 1.1-25

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, 2 to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in your house: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God 5 because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ.

Continue...

<sup>7</sup> I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. 8 For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, 9 yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. 10 I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. 11 Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. 12 I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. 13 I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel;

14 but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. 15 Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, 16 no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18 If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. 19 I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self.

20 Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. 21 Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. 22 One thing more—prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you. 23 Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, 24 and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow-workers. 25 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke Chapter 12 beginning at the 25th verse

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

25 Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 26 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, 30 saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish."

31 Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. 33 So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions. 34 'Salt is good; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? 35 It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure heap; they throw it away. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Leader: Today we have a flashback sermon

# Flashback Sermon 2022

Being Reworked in God's Hands

https://youtu.be/HSXW5Mevc88?si=ErC0gT-BvAiWCTFd

### Leader: Our next Hymn is

## All Things Bright and Beautiful

Let's sing or enjoy the music together

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pVSf5QlSmA8

We stay on mute Leader mutes

### The Greeting of Peace

Leader: We are the body of Christ

All: God's Spirit is with us

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: A sign of peace may be exchanged

You may like to type 'Peace' into the chat, use the 'raise hand' or other reaction buttons, or just simply wave via the screen with your video turned on

(Broadcaster exits shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace)

### Prayer of Thanksgiving in the Season of Creation

Leader: As we enter prayer, I invite the second reader to unmute to lead our intercessions which follow the prayer of thanksgiving. Please feel free to change your body position as you need.

God of life, God of love, God of Creation. Thank You for all the wonderful, great and immense creatures that You created.

We thank You that we have the opportunity to inhabit and enjoy the wonders of this world.

Thank you for giving us forests that provide our air and give us the shade we need on hot days.

Thank you for giving us the sun that shines brightly with its energy, as well as the rains to refresh and nourish the earth bringing a special scent.

Thank you for giving us the fertile soil to provide us with food and sustenance for many animals.

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Allow us to recognize that the community of the earth is a democracy of life as a whole that is based on the living economies that are the local economies of those who work the land.

Give us the strength to defend diversity in nature and in the culture of each place by putting the common good first, knowing that all beings have a natural right to their sustenance.

Help us to value each species, people and culture, knowing that each has intrinsic value. Help us to walk in this world with faith and hope. Sustain us to protect and care for your creation, respectful of the resources it provides for us and aware of the finiteness of Creation.

Give us the courage to fight for life and be resilient in the face of those who destroy Creation and those who profit from it for their own business.

Thank you for each of our lives which we give to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen

### **Intercessions**

Reader 2: We pray for creation and communities we share our lives with. We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those environments and communities we bring to the Lord in prayer.

#### PAUSE...

We entrust to you the community of Holy Hermits Online and our ministry partners:

St John's Cathedral Brisbane
The Anglican Diocese of Southern Queensland
St Gabriel's, Carindale
Benedictus Contemplative Church, Canberra
The Episcopal Diocese of Texas
Anglican Focus and
Tithe.ly

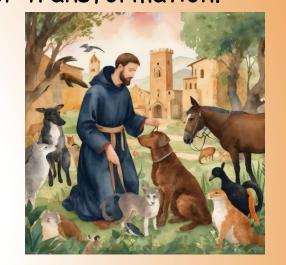
Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.

Creator God, Hear our prayer.

Reader 2: Loving Creator, we entrust to you all animals, especially those who are sick, anxious, ageing, lost, at risk, lonely, sad, hungry, in pain, homeless, abused, living in fear, encountering violence of any kind, in need of comfort, rehabilitation or transformation.

We invite your loving compassion for:

Jasmine, Leese(y), Sid and Toots, Polly, Meggsie and Suki Fred, George and Percy Koshka, Lambert Kala, Nigel and Little One



We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, the animals we bring to the Lord in prayer. PAUSE... We remember Chookie today giving thanks for her companionship for Angie, Kym and Judy, and Bobo

and his companionship for Leonie, Syd, toots, Polly and Meggsie. We pray they may rest in peace

with you. Amen.

Toby

Taco

Paddy

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#### Reader 2: Eternal Trinity of Love, we uphold to you the people we love and carry cares for:

Kerry and Les, Jake,
Dr Julie,
Julie and Ray, Tracey, Shane,
Jess and Leah
May
Kirsten, Greg, Daphne & Beau
Tanya
Matthew & Nicholas & Sharyn
Alan & Gaylene
Susan
Bonnie and girls

Barry
Dilys and Tony,
Paul and Darhon
Judy and Mary
Mark, Desley and Bob
Ruth
Robbie and Ian
Phil
Rachel, Mervyn & Gillian
Liz's Godchildren
Pat and Julie

Bill and Marjorie
Rev'd Shane & Janette
Alecia, Martin and Aidan,
Aaron and Andrea
Neva
Bob and Di
Steven and Vanessa, Craig
Miriam
Barry and Gwen
Zach, Andrew and family

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

PAUSE... We entrust to you those who have died, those who have died peacefully and those who have died tragically, the old and the young. Receive them into your kingdom.

Amen.

### Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

Leader: Loving God, joining with the Church in our cycle of prayer, we ask your blessings on:

- The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- The Diocese of Brisbane: †Jeremy; Assistant Bishops -†Cam, †John, †Sarah; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Ithaca-Ashgrove: Margaret, Pam, Jack, Kathy
- State Chaplaincy Board: The Reverend Sue
- Hillbrook Anglican School, Enoggera: Principal Mark; Chaplain -David; Chair of School Council - David; members of School Council; staff & students

### The Commitment prayer for the week is:

Lay Ministry

God of love, pour out your Holy Spirit on our lay ministry at Holy Hermits Online. Bless those who offer their ministry gifts as cantors, readers, prayer writers, Liturgical Assistants, lay leaders, service prep team members, broadcasters, proof-readers, welcomers, tech supporters, fellowship leaders, the ministry task-groups and helpers in any way. We pray each one feels encouraged to continue serving you. Give courage to those who hear your voice and offer their ministry gifts so that they too can serve you in the future.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Thank you for your rich blessings on our community.

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Leader: We are using a different form of the Lord's prayer in the Season of Creation, from the New Zealand common prayer book, let us pray

All: 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 echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

All: With the bread we need for today, feed us.

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

In times 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. Amen.

## Devotions

#### Leader: The Prayer for Creation 2025

#### PEACE WITH CREATION

Creator of all, we praise you for the gift of life and for the faith that unites us in care for 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, oceans and rivers are polluted. Thriving communities have become places of suffering, and the earth cries out.

Continue...



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.

Prince of Peace,

through your wounds, 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 your people may dwell in safety, and rest in quiet places.

Amen.



Leader: As we enter a few minutes of silence together, you are invited to pray this prayer of adoration and/or spend this time in contemplation.

The Spiritual Communion prayer follows on the next slide. Let us be still. Leader and Cantor Mute.

Stream of Life The same stream of life that runs through my veins night and day runs through the world and dances in rhythmic measures. It is the same life that shoots in joy through the dust of the earth in numberless blades of grass and breaks into tumultuous waves of leaves and flowers. It is the same life that is rocked in the ocean-cradle of birth and of death, in ebb and in flow. I feel my limbs are made glorious by the touch of this world of life. And my pride is from the lifethrob of aged dancing in my blood this moment.



Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of your most Sacred Body and Blood. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my Soul. I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally in Holy Communion. Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it, Sanctify it. Render my heart like your own heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed. Amen



Leader: Our final song is

## Canticle of the Sun

Let's sing or enjoy the music together

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y\_ZkWVBg7k0

We stay on mute Leader and Cantor mute

## Sending Prayer

Leader: We pray our sending prayer together.

All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for this gathering of hearts and minds. As we depart from this space, help us to carry your love in our hearts and to speak kindness into all situations. In your loving name, we pray. Amen.

## The Priest offers the Blessing

Go in peace, brothers and sisters, live in peace with Creation.

And may the blessing of the Most Holy Trinity accompany you:

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

the one God, to whom be glory, for ever.

Amen.

#### The Benediction

Leader: Let us all invite God's blessings together,

All: May the Lord bless us and keep us.

May the Lord's face shine upon us and

be gracious to us.

May the Lord's countenance be lifted upon us, and bring us peace.

Amen

#### Notices

- Fellowship today: for those who can linger we will record our AI prayer together - please feel free to stay for an extra 10mins and offer your voice to this new community prayer!
- Tonight @ 6pm Contemplative Service is Prayer for Creation with Mother Hildegard
- Today is National Threatened Species Day. You may like to look at these links <u>National Threatened Species Day</u> or here <u>Peace with</u> <u>Creation 2025</u> for the Season of Creation resources and prayer points
- Wednesday study @ 6pm, A Pilgrimage of the Heart continues, and is led by Troy, please sign up to receive the study link
- Next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> @ 11am Christmastide Planning Workshop, please come along and share your ideas
- See HHO Events page for further upcoming events HHO Events

## Offerings: Thank you for your regular gifts to this ministry

#### Offerings are most welcome via

- the HHO App
- Direct Debit
- International Direct Debit
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# Serving tonight 7th September Contemplative Service: Prayer for Creation with Mother Hildegard 6:00 pm AEST

Service Prep: Contemplative Team Leader: Lauren

Music: Contemplative Team Cantor: Barry

Proof-reader: Contemplative Team First Reader: Leonie

Broadcaster: Lauren Second Reader: Jeremy

Zoom Buttons: Kerrie-Anne Safety Officer: Leonie

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# Serving next week 14<sup>th</sup> September 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost 9:00 am AEST

Service Prep: Troy Chat Host: Kerrie-Anne First Reader: Viki

Music: Troy Priest: Jamee Second Reader: Paul

Proof-reader: Jamee Deacon: Lauren Preacher: Troy

Broadcaster: Lauren Welcomer: Chris Fellowship: Leonie

Backup Broadcaster: Jamee Leader: Troy Safety Officer: Leonie

Zoom Buttons: Kerrie-Anne Cantor: Julie

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Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

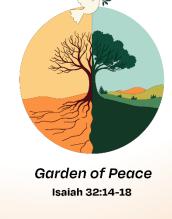
Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ, Amen.

Fellowship time Thank you, Julie for leading fellowship

Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the chat and head off when you are ready.

Extra resources developed by Roots on the Web and Season for Creation 2025 resources



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