



Sunday, April 18, 2021
“Creation Spirituality”
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Welcome to
this service of
worship!

Guests, will
you kindly fill
out a
Newcomer's
card?

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Richland, Washington
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Third Sunday of Easter

9:45 a.m.

April 18, 2021

Prelude

Sue Lincoln, Pianist

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 8

Onnie Adams

O LORD, our LORD, your majestic name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens.

**You have taught children and infants to tell of your
strength, silencing your enemies and all who oppose
you.**

When I look at the night sky and see the work of your
fingers—

the moon and the stars you set in place—

**what are mere mortals that you should think about
them, human beings that you should care for them?**

Yet you made them only a little lower than God
and crowned them with glory and honor.

**You gave them charge of everything you made,
putting all things under their authority—**

the flocks and the herds and all the wild animals,

the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea,

and everything that swims the ocean currents.

O LORD, our LORD, your majestic name fills the earth!

Hymn

“This is My Father’s World” #59 (1,2)

This is my Father’s world,

and to my listening ears

all nature sings, and round me rings

the music of the spheres.

This is my Father’s world:

I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
his hand the wonders wrought.

Our God has made this world:
oh, let us ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems off so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
God trusts us with this world,
to keep it clean and fair.
All earth and trees, the skies and seas,
God's creatures everywhere.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer **Unison**
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us
our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver
us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Genesis 1:24-31
Onnie Adams

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Meditation

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Hymn

“Many and Great, O God” #58

Many and great, O God, are thy things,
Maker of earth and sky.
Thy hands have set the heavens with stars;
thy fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at thy word the waters were formed;
deep seas obey thy voice.

Grant unto us communion with thee,
thou star-abiding one;
come unto us and dwell with us;
with thee are found the gifts of life,
Bless us with life that has no end,
eternal life with thee.

Invitation To Share

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Doxology

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow #46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Communion

Invitation To Communion

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Elder's Prayer

Brad Butherus

Words of Institution

Partaking Of The Elements

Closing Prayer

Hymn

“We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky” #684 (1,3)

We cannot own the sunlit sky, the moon, the wild-flowers
growing,

For we are part of all that is within life's river flowing.

With open hands receive and share the gifts of God's
creation,

That all may have abundant life in every earthly nation.

God calls humanity to join as partners in creating
a future free from want o fear, Life's goodness celebrating,
that new world beckons from afar, Invites our shared
endeavor

that all might have abundant life
and peace endure forever.

Benediction

Postlude

Sue Lincoln, Pianist



SAFE HARBOR

Donate sports equipment for teens in need. There is a box in the Narthex to put donated items.

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY

We will continue to support Jefferson Elementary school. Through April and May we ask people to donate snacks for the children. Juice Boxes, crackers, cheese crackers etc. Please leave snacks items in the Narthex or leave in the church office from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Miriam leads a study on the New Testament based on the book "Reading the New Testament for the First Time" by Ronald Allen. Paperback and Kindle versions are available on Amazon. Every Wednesday, at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Ends April 28th, 2021.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION REQUEST

Please turn in your photos and information for the May Newsletter by April 23rd, 2021. Thank you.

BOARD MEETING

April 20, 2021
4:30 p.m.
On Zoom

EARTH DAY

April 22, 2021

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY

April 24, 2021
9 a.m. —12 p.m.
Volunteers Needed

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In the Beginning



“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” What was the earth like before God began His Creation on it?

In each set, determine the pattern for the letters.
Write the letter that completes the pattern.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

“Now the earth was

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D	M	O	K	J	C	O	Q
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THEN GOD SAID, "LET THERE BE LIGHT,"
AND THERE WAS LIGHT.—GENESIS 1:3



EARTH



SUNDAY



AND GOD SAID, "LET THE WATERS
UNDER THE SKY BE GATHERED
TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE, AND LET THE
DRY LAND APPEAR." AND IT WAS DO.—

GENESIS 1:9

On-going prayers for:

Prayers this week for Camden and his family as he is in the hospital in Texas. Prayers continue for healing for Stephanie's dad and for Candace's niece Alice. Prayers for Rick, Pat's son-in-law as he recovers from an accident. Comforting prayers for all who mourn, including the Lincoln and Kion families. Prayers renewed as students in the area return to classrooms full time. Special prayers for the Co-Op preschool as they have begun again. Thankful prayers when prayers are answered. Amen