CALEB Communities

Liturgy

Creative God, source of all life and light, on this new day draw us in and make us aware of your presence. Bring the warmth of your all-encompassing love and peace into this place that you have brought into being. Still us, in this moment of space and time, between the past and the future in which we dwell for now.

We see, feel and know your existence with the turning of the seasons, through the periodic turning of the earth and its daily cycle with the moon and sun reminding us of death and resurrection with each new day.

You, Almighty God, are the author and creator of everything that has breath which gives praise to you with each passing second. We hear the cacophony of sounds through daily living amidst the noise, the chaos as well as the stillness of the whispers of the air, gently caressing our face.

We hear the birthing sounds of creation, bursting into song at the first twinkling rays of the sun dancing through the trees and bringing light into the cracks between the leaves and branches.

We see the bounty of your gift of life to us your creation in the kindness and generosity of those we meet along The Way. The hospitality and generosity of food shared, given or received, reminds us that this is who you are. You are the great provider and life storyteller as you guide us on this journey we call life.

(What are you thankful for?)

We recognise that at times, we have not shared what we have with others or have chosen to not live generous lives. We recognise that we have misused your creation in order to achieve easy living and being selfish to the detriment of others. Forgive our past living, our past mistakes and our past regrets as we live today in your presence of this new moment.

(Bring to mind something you are sorry for)

We close the door of the past behind us from those things that hold us back. So, we set off on a new path and a new course, leaving what is behind and looking to what is ahead on the journey, taking that first step towards the lit path.

(think about what new step you are going to choose to take)

We thank you for those who journey with us, for the companionship, the shared learning, the deep sharing and the trust we put in them and they in us. We thank you for those who have helped us navigate the path of previous journeys and have walked alongside, encouraging, helping, supporting and loving.

(think of those who have been there for you and give thanks for them)

We are blessed by those who bless our lives through their art, through paint, through texture, through a lens, through fabric, through clay.

We are blessed by those who build and create with great imagination, using natural or human made materials.

We are blessed by those who craft, who design, who make, who repair, reuse, recycle and rewild for their awareness of sustainability and your creation.

We are blessed by those who bake, grow, make coffee, cakes and food who provide treats when we need them most.

We are blessed by those who help us to be part of a team or to explore new activities, interests and sports that we may never try who encourage and who educate us to the wonders of life in all its fullness.

We are blessed by those who create, produce and play music, use the spoken and written word that lifts our spirits and enables us to engage with the great composer that transcends all life.

We are blessed by those who enable us to see God in and through nature and creation, who share their insights in word, knowledge or image bringing together a way of expressing our awe and wonder of God the creator.

We are blessed by those who enable us to engage with different cultures and context through food, their lives and their story of a God who is faithful and who provides.

(Where do you see life giving things?)

We are blessed most of all by you Creative God who notices us when we sit or when we stand, when we walk or when we rest looking at a view. We are blessed to be known, to be seen and to be heard and to be appreciated by the author, creator and miracle worker who brings life out of death and who breathes life into weary souls.

(Where do you see God?)

Lead the way Lord, Lead the way.

Lead the way Lord, Lead the way.

While I walk this path through life,

Lead the way Lord, Lead the way!

Walk with me Lord, walk with me.

Walk with me Lord, walk with me.

Guide me to the place called home,

Walk with me Lord, walk with me!

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