Praise be to the Holy Trinity!

God is sound and life, Creator of the universe, Source of all life, whom the angels sing; wondrous light of all mysteries known or unknown to humankind, and life that lives in all.

(Hildegard of Bingen)

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Creation Prayer

Gathering

One: We gather in the image of the Creator,

Many: who is a community of love.

One: We gather in the name of the Redeemer,

Many: who reconciles all of creation.

One: We gather in the presence of the Life Giver,

Many: who inspires new life and renews it.



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Confession

One: God of mercy and justice,

Many: We confess our overuse of transportation,

One: the need for speed overriding the healing of the earth's fever.

Many: We confess our hyper-consumption of food and energy,

One: producing meat and electrons on demand, but too often

exhausting and poisoning the backyards of the poorest.

Many: We confess our soaps, our cosmetics,

our synthetic clothes,

One: ignoring that their unseen, plastic microbeads run into

our streams and oceans, now residing in fish, and

probably in some of us.

Many: We confess our junk, the piles of what we throw away,

One: the sewage smelling of our lack of concern.

Many: We confess our mindset,

One: too often concentrating on our ability to buy

rather than asking what we really need,

what our world needs.

Many: We confess our unfaithfulness, not loving you with

our whole heart and strength and mind,

One: not loving our human and non-human neighbors

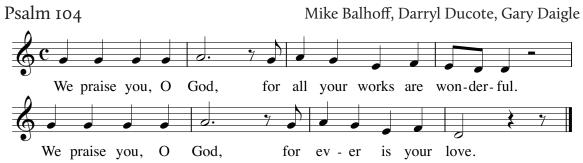
as ourselves,

Many: not caring for the creation you have given us as a gift.

One: Turn us from our cursed practices

Many: to life that is really living, giving ourselves away,

following Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.



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Reading: Job 12:7-10

Prayer

All: Creator God,

We thank you for the abundance of creation,

For the air we breathe,

The water we drink,

And the food we eat.

We pray, that we, your children,

Will steward this gift

So that all your children may share in its abundance

Here and around the world. Amen.

All are welcome to continue outside for the Meditative Walk.

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