

March BUGB Council Psalm

All Creation cries Glory!
All of heaven replies Glory!
Glory to God in the highest!

From the earth we call out to You .
Praise You, Lord, for You have redeemed Your people.

We give thanks to the God who takes delight in us,
to the Lord who provides, to the Lord who sees us.

Your goodness and mercy are new each morning,
Your love and patience are never ending.

Your faithfulness is our security,
Your love will never desert us,
creating a place where we are safe from harm

God of the nations;
generous, compassionate and faithful,
we lift our voices to give You praise.

We thank You for Your lavish generosity, Your bountiful grace and Your wonderful mercy.
Generous in who You are and in all You do, giving without measure and cost,
may Your generosity fill our hearts and minds

God our Father, God our Mother,
God who calls us by name,
we open ourselves to Your endless love,
love which shines brighter than the midday sun,
love which shines on us as we bring our worship.

Thank You, Lord, that we can come before You in our brokenness
and You will see and love all of us.

Though You are always with us, where are You?
Are You in the sunshine or in the rain?
Are You in the thunder or the wind?
Are You in the laughter or the tears?

I don't understand, Lord, but I trust You.
I bring You not polished praise, but honest trust,
not certainty but surrender,
not clarity but my whole heart.

The night stretches long and yet, O Lord, I will declare Your praise.
I will glorify Your name.

Calm our anxious thoughts.
May our years of drought be followed by years of abundant fruitfulness.

In bread and wine, we recognise that You chose the depths of brokenness.
Creator of the universe You truly understand the brokenness of humankind.

We grieve for our world, for the wars and the fears and the misery.
Comfort the lonely and despondent, O Lord,
with Your faithfulness that reaches to the heights of heaven and the depths of despair.

Awaken us to the cries of the poor, the vulnerable, the unseen and the broken.
May we speak and act together to ensure that Your unwavering love is heard, seen and experienced,
that Your peace and hope is known even as bombs and missiles destroy.

Slow us down, Lord, to walk with You and one another,
to hear You in our conversation,
to love You in our friendships with each other.

God of the complex,
God of all comfort,
God of covenant,
speak Your voice.

O Lord, turn Your face towards us to shine upon us so that we can walk in Your light,
Our hope in every situation, help us to fix our eyes upon You.

In our unity You are reflected more clearly.
May we notice You in our midst,
may we find rest in You and joy in each other

Because of Your love we are not alone.
Because of Your love we are not without hope.
Because of Your love we have a future and a home.

Creator God, thank You for Your constant reassuring presence.
Open our eyes to notice You and Your leading in our midst.

Let our hope in Your resurrection power bring new life to our movement.

Steady our hearts.
Forgive us when we get stuck and unable to make decisions because we are afraid.

Come, Lord, Jesus, reveal Yourself to us and let us be conformed by You.

As You inhabit our prayers and presence, so would You inhabit our plans.