



10 March Revd Calum Piper

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During the first national lockdown as our normal routine of worship was disrupted, my family developed a new pattern for worship on a Sunday. We would sit down in front of the TV at 10am (with tea and cake) to watch the online service from one of our churches. Following its completion, we would then go out for a walk in the surrounding countryside.

As we walked, we saw spring developing and then eventually spring turning into summer. If this had been any other year, we would have completely missed all that we were seeing – the blossoming trees, the newly birthed lambs, flocks of birds moving across the sky, the signs of autumn and winter slowly disappearing under the wonder of new seasons. The chaos of creation was seemingly moving from one season to another all with the beauty of praise to God.

It's easy to just focus on the worship we offer God when the activity of our worship is surrounded by four walls. Yet the activity of worship is going on all around us, by all forms of creation. As everything around us praises the Lord, so too we are called to join in with their song and not just sing on our own.

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"Let everything that
breathes praise the
Lord! Praise the Lord!"

Psalm 150:6

Information Point

Could your church contribute to a major study of flora and fauna in your churchyard? Sign up to help the study taking place between 05 June and 13 June.

<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/expression-of-interest-in-churches-count-on-nature-2021/>

A prayer

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the wonder of creations song worshipping
you all around us. Help us to join in with their song of
praise, and to learn more of you through it.

Amen