



Prelude
a time of quiet preparation

**A SERVICE OF
HOLY
EUCCHARIST,
BOOK OF
ALTERNATIVE
SERVICES**

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WELCOME!

Rev. Susan Tate

Opening Hymn

643 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

1. Holy Spirit, come with power,
breathe into our aching night.

We expect you this glad hour,
waiting for your strength and light.

We are fearful, we are ailing we are weak and selfish too.
Break upon your congregation, give us vigour, life anew.

Opening Hymn
643 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

2. Holy Spirit, come with fire,
burn us with your presence new.

Let us as one mighty choir
sing our hymn of praise to you.

Burn away our wasted sadness and enflame us with your love.

Burst upon your congregation, give us gladness from above

Opening Hymn

643 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

3. Holy Spirit, bring your message,
burn and breathe each word anew
deep into our tired living till we strive your work to do.
Teach us love and trusting kindness,
lend our hands to those who hurt.
Breathe upon your congregation
and inspire us with your word

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated on the traditional territory of the Mississauga peoples and is covered by the Williams Treaties. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile ourselves, and to work for justice and reconciliation with the peoples and the land. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

Opening Sentence

Celebrant

Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the
living God.

Matthew 16.16

Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Gathering of the Community

Celebrant Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and
worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ
our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest

All and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and
Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only
Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

Gloria

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy
One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

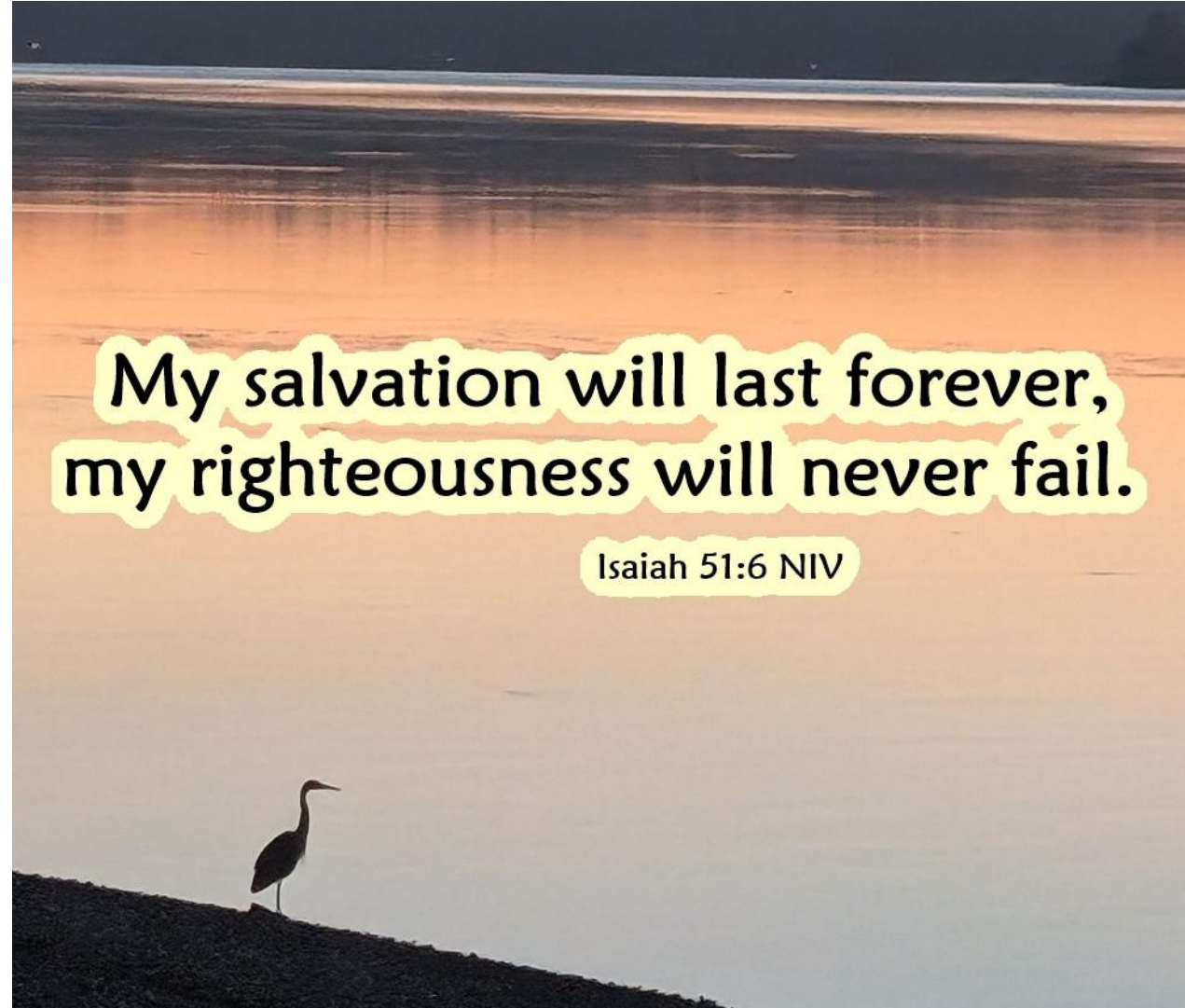
The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray

All: Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Collect for 190th Anniversary

Celebrant: O Gracious God of blessing, we give you thanks and praise for our beloved parish, St. Paul's. We especially give thanks for 190 years of ministry, faithfully serving our neighbours and upholding each other as a community of believers. We ask you now to grant us many more years of ministry, worship and fellowship in this place. Send your Holy Spirit to guide and direct us, renewing our faith and helping us to proclaim the Good News of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, in both our words and our actions. **Amen.**



**My salvation will last forever,
my righteousness will never fail.**

Isaiah 51:6 NIV

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ISAIAH
51:1-6

Psalm 138 (responsively)

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

**2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and
praise your name, because of your love and
faithfulness;**

Psalm 138 (responsively)

3 For you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

Psalm 138 (responsively)

6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

7 Though the Lord be high; he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.

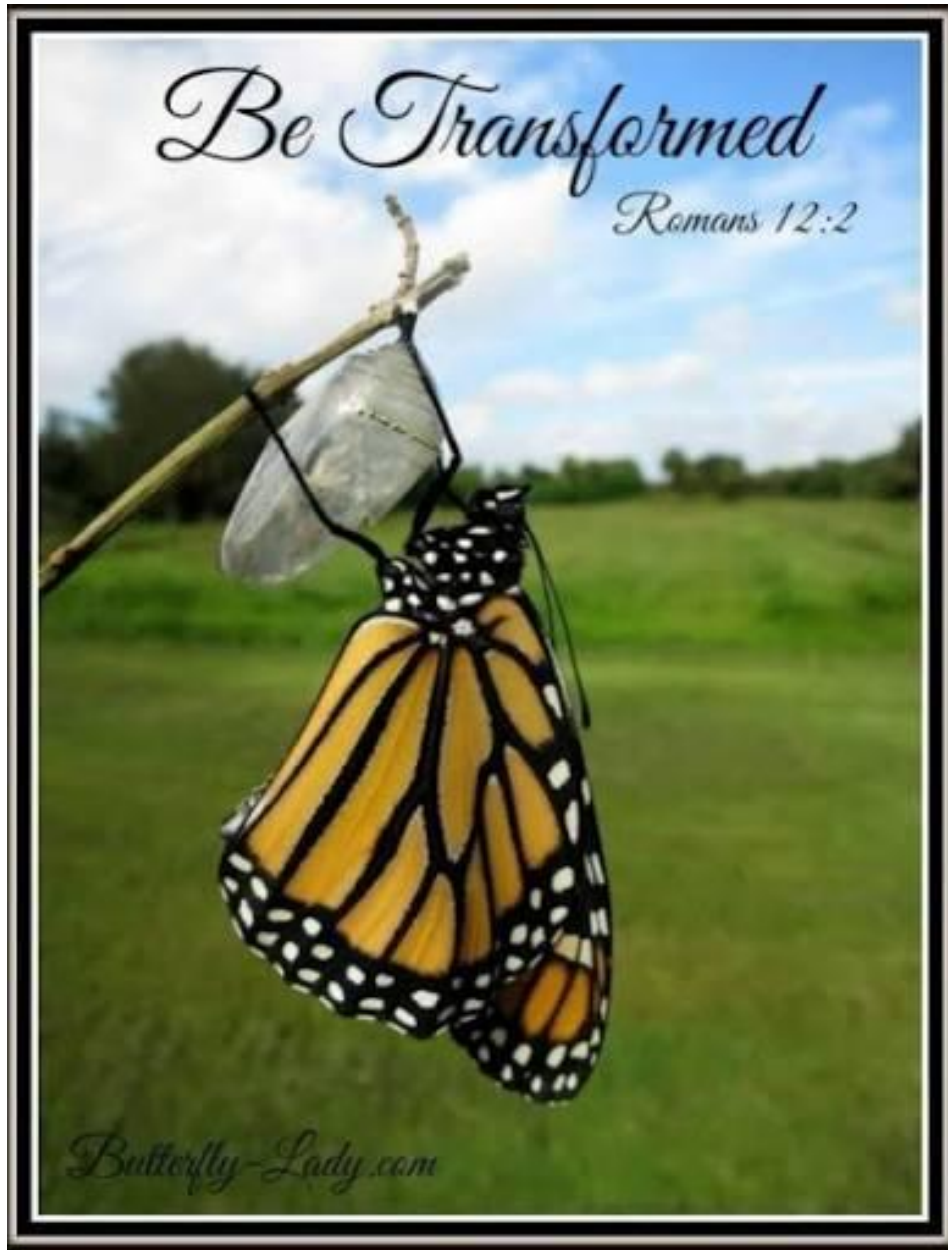
Psalm 138 (responsively)

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

Psalm 138 (responsively)

All God of creation and fulfilment, help us to seek and discover your purposes, that we may become willing instruments of your grace, and that all the world may come to love and praise your name, in the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ROMANS 12:1-8

Gradual Hymn:

283 By All Your Saints Still Striving vs 1, 2m

**1 By all your saints still striving, for all your saints
at rest, your holy name, o Jesus, for evermore be
blessed.**

**You rose, our King victorious, that they might wear
the crown and ever shine in splendour reflected
from your throne.**

Gradual Hymn:

283 By All Your Saints Still Striving vs 1, 2m

2 We praise you for Saint Peter; we praise you for Saint Paul. They taught both Jew and Gentile that Christ is all in all.

To cross and sword they yielded and saw the kingdom come: O God, your two apostles won life through martyrdom.

Gospel Response

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

People

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Christ's Charge to Peter

GOSPEL

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MATTHEW

16:13-20

Raphael, 1483-1520

Gospel Response

Celebrant
People

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn:

283 By All Your Saints Still Striving vs 3

3 Then let us praise the Father and worship God the Son and sing to God the Spirit, eternal Three-in-One,
till all the ransomed number who stand before the throne, ascribe all power and glory and praise to God alone.



HOMILY

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

The Apostles' Creed

All He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People – Litany # 7

(Let us pray in faith to God our Father, to his Son Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, saying, “Lord, hear and have mercy.”)

For the Church of the living God throughout the world, let us ask the riches of his grace.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

The Prayers of the People – Litany # 7

For all who proclaim the word of truth, let us ask the infinite wisdom of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who have consecrated their lives to the kingdom of God, and for all struggling to follow the way of Christ, let us ask the gifts of the Spirit.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

The Prayers of the People – Litany # 7

For Charles our King, for the Prime Minister of this country, and for all who govern the nations, that they may strive for justice and peace, let us ask the strength of God.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For scholars and research-workers, that their studies may benefit humanity, let us ask the light of the Lord.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

The Prayers of the People – Litany # 7

For all who have passed from this life in faith and obedience,
let us ask the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy. Amen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

Confession and Absolution

All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We Share the Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Let's greet one another with a sign of peace



Offertory Hymn

#498 How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

1. How lovely is thy dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts, to me!
My thirsty soul desires and longs
within thy courts to be;
my very heart and flesh cry out,
O living God, for thee.

Offertory Hymn

#498 How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

2. Beside Thine altars, gracious Lord,
the swallows find a nest;
how happy they who dwell with thee
and praise thee without rest,
and happy they whose hearts are set
upon the pilgrim's quest.

Offertory Hymn

#498 How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

3. They who go through the desert vale
will find it filled with springs,
and they shall climb from height to height
till Zion's temple rings
with praise to thee, in glory throned,
Lord God, great King of kings.

Offertory Hymn

#498 How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

4. One day within thy courts excels
a thousand spent away;
how happy they who keep thy laws
nor from thy precepts stray,
for thou shalt surely bless all those
who live the words they pray.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer - # 2

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

Celebrant In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

Celebrant Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

Celebrant Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,

Eucharistic Prayer - #2

Celebrant filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant “I am the bread of life,” says the Lord.
“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever
believes in me will never thirst.”

All **Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

Agnus Dei – #747 Jesus, Lamb of God

All Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace, give us your peace.



All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

***All others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.
Currently, intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is strictly
prohibited for hygienic reason. If desired, you may instead lay your
hands on the base of the chalice.***

First Communion Hymn

569 Come My Way, My Truth, My Life

1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath,
such a truth as ends all strife,
such a life as killeth death.

First Communion Hymn

569 Come My Way, My Truth, My Life

2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:

such a light as shows a feast,

such a feast as mends in length,

such a strength as makes his guest.

First Communion Hymn

569 Come My Way, My Truth, My Life

3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move,
such a love as none can part,
such a heart as joys in love.

Second Communion Hymn # 86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

**1. More than we can ask or imagine,
more than we can ever dare to dream,
we are the children of heaven's creation,
God's own beloved, each called by name.**

Second Communion Hymn # 86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

And we cry, Glory! Glory.

Glory to God who calls us by name!

Glory! Glory!

Glory to God!

Glory we sing.

Second Communion Hymn # 86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

**2. More than we will ever imagine,
more than we will ever understand;
we are sent to walk with compassion,
to live out God's love by heart and by hand.**

Second Communion Hymn
86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

**And we cry, Glory! Glory.
Glory to God who presses us on!
Glory! Glory!
Glory to God!
Glory our song.**

Second Communion Hymn # 86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

**3. More than we can ask or imagine,
more than we could ever desire:
out of the dust God's building a kingdom,
like wine from the press,
like bread from the fire.**

Second Communion Hymn
86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

And we cry, Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry!
Glory! Glory! Glory on earth, Glory on high!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry!
Glory! Glory! Glory on earth! Glory on high!
Glory on earth! Glory on high!

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant Let us pray

All Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God

All whose power, working in us, can do
infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in
the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant Send us anywhere you would have us go, only go there with us. Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by us to sustain us. Break any tie that binds us, except the tie that binds us to you.

And the blessing of God; the Creator, who made and knows us; the Savior, who redeems and befriends us; and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us, be with you this day and always. Amen.



Closing Hymn

598 Go to the World vs 1,2 & 4

1. Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross

where Christ renews life's worth,

baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia!

Closing Hymn

598 Go to the World vs 1,2 & 4

2. Go to the world! Go into every place

Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.

Go seek God's presence in each time and space.

Alleluia!

Closing Hymn

598 Go to the World vs 1, 2 & 4

**4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you till the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry, "Amen!"
Alleluia!**

Dismissal

Leader

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, go, serve the world God loves.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

Please stay for
refreshments after the
service

Coming soon....



Living Water

Season of Creation 2026

IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER

Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Watch your bulletins for information on Season of Creation 2026. The Spiritual Development team has a special activity planned for you in September!