

Mother God



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Call to Worship

God is like a loving mother,
nurturing her children,
feeding them,
teaching them to walk,
and calling them home.

We come to worship,
building our relationship
with God our mother:
let us gather and worship God.

Prayers

God, who is mother and father of us all,
we have been like small children
who fight and squabble
wanting to outdo our siblings
in demanding your love and attention,
failing to understand that when we do not have it
it is not because we are not loved,
but rather because someone else needs it more.

When we look at others
and see competition
or view people as different
and therefore less worthy,
**God, our mother and father,
forgive us.**

When we squabble like children
each wanting to prove ourselves
better than the others
or more worthy of your love:
**God, our mother and father,
forgive us.**

When we close ranks against those
whom we view as outsiders
rather than stretching out our arms
to welcome those who need us as family,

**God, our mother and father,
forgive us.**

When we deliberately hurt others,
whether we hurt other people,
or your creation,

**God, our mother and father,
forgive us.**

Forgive us and show us a new way of being,
teach us to walk in your footsteps,
and call us home.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

God offers us unconditional love
and when we know that love
invites us to share it:
know that you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Intercession

God, our parent,
you call all your children home –
from east and west,
north and south –
and so we pray for all your children
wherever they are in this world.

We pray for the people of the global south,
the developing nations of our world,
where too many people do not have enough
and parents struggle to find a way
to ensure their children have enough to eat.

We pray for those who have too much
especially when they do not recognise it
or their actions cause hardship for others
and creates situations
where people struggle to survive.

We pray for those who look or sound different
and so struggle to fit in
because of prejudice or hatred
that is “justified” by intergenerational teaching
from their family and society.

We pray for those who do not have family
or do not know what it is to be loved.
Amen.

Prayer after communion

Loving God, we thank you for feeding us with this spiritual food
and that we are united with Christ
through a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all
humankind.

May the entire world come into your family
united by the sacrifice of your son.

In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Benediction & Blessing

God is like a loving mother,
nurturing her children, feeding them,
teaching them to walk, and calling them home.

We came to worship,
to build our relationship with God our mother,
now we go out:

let us live our lives in worship of God.

As you go, may you always know
the love of God surrounds you,
Christ, the companion, walks with you,
and the Spirit leads you on the dance of life.