

For Example: “Kia orana! I love how you treat everyone with kindness and respect! God made you wonderful!”

So, let’s offer a mutual blessing to each other now.

COMMITMENT TO ‘PRAYERFUL ACTION’

Our motto in World Day of Prayer is “Informed Prayer, Prayerful Action.” So let us take one last moment together. As we listen again to the ocean waves, let us ask how God is calling us into a new way of being in the world - into “prayerful action.”

BLESSING

Go now, and live this good news:

God is our Creator. God made us wonderful. God knows us, and God is with us. Treat yourself as a precious and beloved child of God. And treat others as precious and beloved children of God. Amen!

POSTLUDE

We are prayerfully and joyfully looking forward with excitement to celebrate World Day of Prayer with Nigeria in 2026 with the theme “I Will Give You Rest: Come,” based on Matthew 11:28-30.

Planning is underway for our WDP Centennial in 2027, celebrating 100 years of uninterrupted global ecumenical prayer. The theme for our Centennial is “United in Prayer for Justice and Peace!”. Let us all come together in prayer as this wondrous process unfolds in months and years to come!



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Worship Service Bulletin



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WELCOME GREETING AND CENTERING

Leader: Kia orana!

All: Kia orana!

Leader: May you live long!

All: May you live long!

Leader: May you live well!

All: May you live well!

Leader: May you shine like the sun!

All: May you shine like the sun!

Leader: May you dance with the waves!

All: May you dance with the waves!

SONG OF PRAISE (THEME SONG)

“I am Fearfully and Wonderfully Made”

OPENING PRAYER

God who made us wonderful, thank you for this fellowship of sisters and brothers around the world. As we come together, help us open our hearts to you, and to each other. Quiet our minds from all the worries that preoccupy us. Reconnect us to you, and to each other, so that we all may glow brightly, and radiate your love to the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING—Psalms 139:1-6 (NRSV)

Mii’s Story: God Knows Us—Let us listen.

SCRIPTURE READING—Psalms 139:7-12 (NRSV)

Vainiu’s Story: God is With Us—Let us listen.

SCRIPTURE READING—Psalms 139:13-18 (NRSV)

Dr. Dawn’s Story 3: God Made us Wonderful—Let us listen.

SONG OF PRAISE (THEME SONG)

“I am Fearfully and Wonderfully made”

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS & PRAYER SONG

“God Who Knows Us”

THE LORD’S PRAYER SONG

“Te Pure A Te ‘Atu”

Cook Islands Maori Lord’s Prayer

Now let us continue by singing the Lord’s Prayer in Maori, the heart language of our sisters from the Cook Islands. After we sing, we will speak the Lord’s Prayer in our own heart languages.

Let us now speak the Lord’s Prayer in our heart languages.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG

“*Kia aruru te enua katoa*”

Let the Lands Rejoice in Thunderous Acclamation

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God, we dedicate this offering to you. Thank you for all the gifts you have given to us. Bless the gifts we offer now to you, so that they may bless the world. Amen.

A MUTUAL BLESSING

As a second part of our offering, and in response to all that has been shared today, let us take a moment to greet a few people around us.

You can start by saying “*Kia orana!*” And then you can say something that you love about that person. After you say what you love about the person, you can end by saying “God made you wonderful!”