

Collective Worship - Term 5

Worship Wherever You Are

Live the Rainbow

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Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness. Desmond Tutu

Create Laughter

There is a story found in the Old Testament about a lady called Sarah who was married to Abraham. They didn't have any children, even though God had promised that they would be part of a huge family. This made them really sad. One day, some people visited Abraham and Sarah and said, next year you will have a child. They couldn't believe that God would give them a child when they were so old. However, their son Isaac was born the following year. This is what Sarah said ...

Genesis 21:6 - Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me."

The name Isaac means laughter! Sarah laughed and laughed when she heard that she would have a baby when she was so old. She was so happy she wanted everyone else to laugh with her.

Ecclesiastes 3:4 – 'There is a time for everything ..., ...a time to weep and a time to laugh,'

This Bible text comes from a famous passage called 'A time for everything'. It describes how in life there is a place for everything; for hate, for love, for mourning, for wars and for peace.

You might know people who are crying because they are sad, this is ok. We all need to cry and be sad sometimes. You might know some people who are laughing because someone they know has got better or because they can visit family again.

I wonder - do you make people laugh? People say that laughter is the best medicine for when you are feeling sad. I wonder what you could do to make people laugh today? Bringing a smile to someone's face is really important. Keep laughing and keep remembering.

Thank you, God, that you love laughter, help me to use laughter to bring a smile to someone's face today. Amen

4 Search for Beauty

Genesis 1:31 - 'God saw all that he had made and it was good'

God saw the beauty in all that he had created. I wonder where you see beauty in creation? Beauty is all around us. Have you heard the birds singing more loudly or seen animals in your gardens? Many wild animals have been wandering into towns as there aren't many cars driving around. I wonder if you have seen this where you live? This is beautiful. Look around your house, your garden and out of your windows. Where can you see beauty? Thank God for creation and for all the things that are beautiful for us to see and hear. Share what you have seen with someone else. Tell them why you think it is beautiful.



Read this Bible passage. How does the Bible describe beauty?

Where does real beauty come from? God sees beauty from the inside – in how you act, behave, speak and treat others. I wonder who you know who is beautiful on the inside? Why are they beautiful? Thank God for

their beauty and for who they are. Remember we are all beautiful - we just have to make sure that we shine our beauty out for all to see.

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Celebrate Creativity

How many of you have been working on creative projects at home? - Lego models, making cakes, painting pictures or cards, creating rainbows or writing stories, songs or poems?

Exodus 35:35 - He's gifted them with the know-how needed for carving, designing, weaving, and embroidering in blue, purple, and scarlet fabrics, and in fine linen. They can make anything and design anything."

God created people to be creative. I wonder how you could celebrate being creative today? I wonder if you could create a prayer of thanks today without using words?





In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart.

~ John Bunyan





