



ST NINIAN'S UNITING CHURCH

JULY 29th 2026

PRAYERS AND REFLECTION

Psalm 65:8-13

⁸ Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

⁹ You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

¹⁰ You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

¹² The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy;

¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain;

they shout and sing together for joy.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of majesty and mercy, you quiet the uproar of waves and hearts. Teach us to listen as you melt the morning dew, teach us to sit with beauty around us from the rainbow colours of the same morning dew drops finding their rest in wildflowers in the meadows. Bless the earth with rain and abundance, heal our fears, guiding us to share our gratitude. May your deeds fill our days with praise, hope and joy. In the name of Jesus, the risen Christ amen.

PRAYER POINTS OF THANKSGIVING

Thank you God for: your wondrous works that fill the earth with awe and joy from the dawn of each new day.

Thank you God for your care of the land; water, nourishment, and the abundant love we receive from you. Thank you for the harvest, fields rich in the 'good earth', valleys, and the farmers who bring the fruits of the labour into communities.

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Prayers and Reflection July 15th 2026

Thank you God, for the gift of the changing seasons – the rains, the growth, the icy cold mornings followed by sunny days, and the blessing of Christ that crowns each year.

PRAYER POINTS OF PRAISE

Praise God: as the Great Creator who orders creation, makes the land fruitful, and fills the hills, valleys, plains, and deserts each with their own unique beauty.

for the rain, the streams, canals, and river systems that sustain crops and livelihoods.