

**Focus Statement:** As we gather in praise, we discover that as beings made by God we are not separate, but part of the evolving, breathing, moving creation that is alive with worship for our God.

## ***Encountering***

**Prelude**      *Planets humming as they wander*      VT 175

### **Call to Worship**

**Opening Song**      *At the dawn of your creation*      VT 179

#### **Verse 1:**

At the dawn of your creation, God, you spoke: "Let there be light!" You divided earth from heaven, you created day and night. You made sunbeams dance with shadows, you created energy! Peaceful evenings, bright tomorrows, all began with "Let there be!"

#### **Verse 2:**

By your word, you formed creation: dry land, water, ocean breeze. Soon there burst forth vegetation: plants with fruit, majestic trees, rain and snow and changing seasons, creatures filling land and sea. God, your very good creation all began with "Let there be!"

#### **Verse 3:**

When you made us as your children, sending us throughout your lands, you commanded, "Have dominion, care for earth; it's in your hands." Yet we hurt this world you've given; we harm earth and sky and sea. We forget it's your creation, you, who once said, "Let there be!"

#### **Verse 4:**

At this joyful celebration, may we hear your word anew: may we care for your creation, knowing it's a trust from you. Just as daily there's a dawning, bringing light to all we see, so we daily hear your calling, you, who once said, "Let there be!"

### **Welcome**

### **Announcements**

### **Opening Prayer**

## ***Engaging***

**Singing**      *I sing the mighty power*      HWB 46  
*All creatures of our God and King*      HWB 48  
v. 1,2,3,4, & 7

**Scripture**      Psalm 148

**Offering and Offertory**      *Touch the earth lightly*      insert

**Children's Time**      *Let the children come to me*      VT 512

**Reflection**      "Praise the Lord from the Earth"

### **Exploration and Reflection Time**

### **Open Response Time**

**Response Song**      *For the beauty of the earth*      HWB 89

## ***Empowering***

### **Congregational Prayer**

**Sending Song**      *The Lord lift you up*      insert

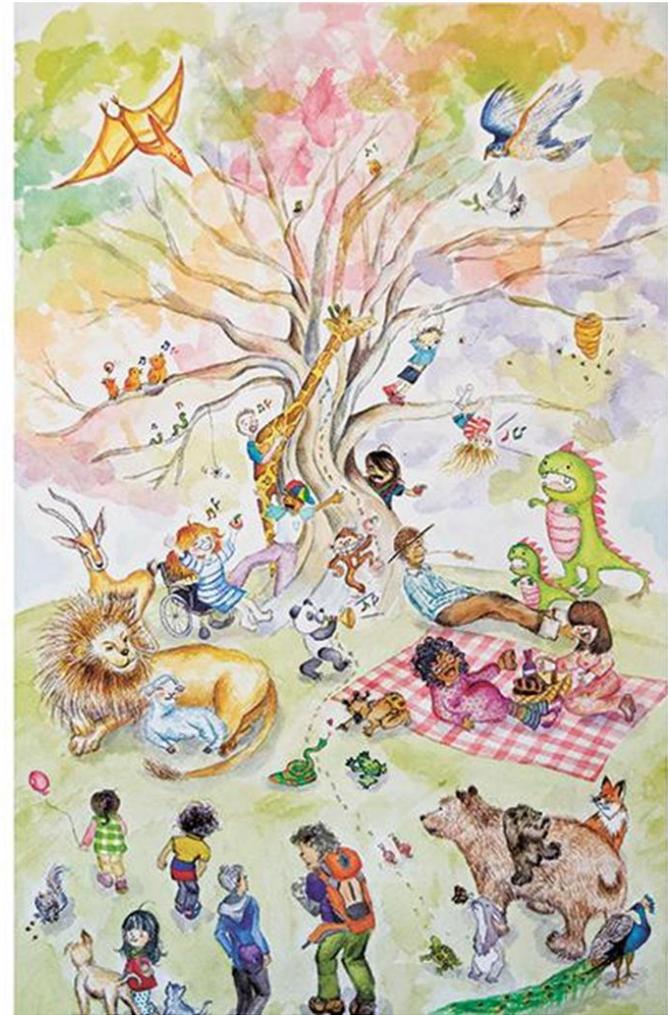
### **Benediction**

**Participants:**

Worship Leader  
Music Leader  
Reflection  
Scripture Reading  
Children's Time  
Congregational Prayer  
Worship Tech

Millard Graber  
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*Let All Creation Rejoice*

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East Goshen Mennonite Church