

Greetings Merging Waters,

March 18th, 2021

As the weather warms melting snow reveals that life has continued in the ebb and flow of the tranquility of winter toward the glorious eruption of colour, sounds, and activity of Spring. In our Lenten journey we have been reminded of the need for social and climate justice. We continue this journey this week as we are called into ever-renewing covenant with the Lover of The Universe as we read the words of [Jeremiah 31:31-34](#). We are reminded that our human journeys are no exception to nature's ebb and flow, with the constant cycle of change, adaptation, rest, movement, and change once more that we experience to varying degrees as we travel the road of life.

In this time of seeking let us ask ourselves some questions about this encounter with the Divine:

- When have you been inspired by an encounter with nature?
 - o How was God present for you in that moment?
- What are we doing that furthers the goal to lift up the divinity found in nature?
- As our understanding of the interconnectedness of life deepens in this world how can we deepen our response to the call to live with respect in creation?
- How can we relate our commitment to creation with our commitment to lives of faith?
- How to we communicate these commitments to others in ways that open up dialogue and understanding?

We will continue to engage the scriptures in our Lenten journey together this week and well into the future as seekers of the call to life in faith.

Looking forward to seeing you all Sunday.

Peace and hope,

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