



A time for celebration and care



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Prayers of reflection

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Creation Flourishing

(word pictures to move hearts to praise – the prayer could be set to a PowerPoint with appropriate images and possibly even background music, it needs displaying so that the acrostic 'Creation Flourishing' is apparent)

Creation flourishing
Rivers flowing
Earth blossoming
Air breezing
Trees swaying
Iguanas lazing
Oceans lapping
Nightingales serenading

Frogs croaking
Lions roaring
Octopuses grappling
Urchins slinking
Ravens croaking
Insects buzzing
Sun shining
Humans loving
Icicles sparkling
Night glistening
God smiling

Creation haikus

God spoke and light shone
 birthing creation with life
 flourishing in joy

In the beginning
 creation flourished, God saw
 it was very good

Don't forget the Dodo

Dabbling ducks
Observant owls
Devoted doves
Ooh – and God made the Dodo

Dainty daisies
Ornate orchids
Dogged dandelions
Oops – sorry about the Dodo

Dashing dragonflies
Orbiting otters
Dancing dolphins
Oh – and let's not make another dodo

(this prayer is designed to celebrate diversity and is also a cautionary tale about extinction by human influence – again is an acrostic with each verse spelling Dodo representing the iconic species made extinct)