



Season of Creation



Garden of Peace: School prayer

After creating a Garden of Peace at your school, bring your class/school community together in prayer during the Season of Creation.

Ideally you or your students will write a prayer unique to your garden and community. Here are some things to consider:

- Your prayer could focus on thanking God for the gift of creation, asking for guidance in caring for the garden, and praying for a space that fosters community and reflection.
- Tailor the prayer to the type of garden (e.g., vegetable, flower) and the specific plants or features you have.
- Consider having students participate by reading parts of the prayer, by bringing forward things to add to the prayer/garden space (e.g., paper doves, a sign that says Peace, decorated stones) or by watering the garden.
- Acknowledgement of Country
- Include a reading from Scripture. The Season of Creation Scripture for 2025 is Isaiah 32:14-18.

Example Prayer

Leader:

*Let us pause in the stillness of this garden,
where creation speaks in flowers, leaves, and sky,
and open our hearts in prayer.*

Student reader/s:

God of all creation,
You made this world in beauty and balance.
In this sacred space, our Garden of Peace,
we remember the First Peoples who cared for this land.

Help us to live gently on the land,
to protect what is fragile,
to restore what is broken,
and to seek peace—
with You, with one another, and with all creation.

Let the wind remind us of your Spirit.
Let the soil ground us in humility.
Let the things that grow teach us hope.
Let the quiet stir in us a deep love for all life.

Loving Creator,

We thank you for the gift of this garden,
and ask for your blessing on this space,
that it may be a place of peace, and growth.

May we grow as caretakers of your creation—
with joy, with courage, and with love.
Amen.

Leader:

*As we celebrate the Season of Creation,
we commit ourselves as Creation Changemakers,
caring for others and our common home.
May our actions reflect our faith,
and may this garden be a sign of peace
in our school and our world.*

