

Worship in and with Creation - Resources for Outdoor Worship

All of nature is always worshipping Christ, its creator and redeemer. As humanity, we get to choose to join in!

Here are a range of resources that you may like to try out in your local park, churchyard, or if you are fortunate enough to be able to go for a walk in the countryside. However, you may be able to find joy and wonder from your armchair looking out the window, viewing nature photos or videos or in your garden.

Click on the links below to explore more.



[Easter Prayers Outdoors](#) - Diocese of Gloucester

These prayers invite us to notice and appreciate the life bursting forward in God's creation, and to allow this to renew us in the hope of Easter. The focus is on nature itself, but there are some prayers and readings that you may like to include. There are various options here, hopefully something for everyone.

[Where to Worship](#) – Diocese of Leeds

In this time of self-isolation, when we need to keep our physical distance to keep ourselves and others safe, we still can join with the whole communion of creation in worship. Top tips on how to turn looking out the window or a walk in the park into a journey of worship?

[God revealed in creation Prayer stations](#) – The Sanctuary Centre

These 12 prayer stations are designed to be used outside – either individually or as a series to form a prayer walk – and aim to help people both connect with God through creation and use natural settings to stimulate prayer for others. They can be done in any order and/or with a selection chosen to fit your specific circumstances and surrounding natural environment.

[Sensio Divina](#) - The Mystic Christ website

Literally 'Divine sensing', a contemplative meditation to connect and dialogue with Divine presence in a place, object or natural phenomenon (Jer 23:24) and come to a deeper understanding of God through nature (Rom 1:20).

[Wild worship field guide](#) – The Sanctuary Centre

This "spotters guide" allows you to reconnect with the awe and wonder in God's creation. Look out for the nature items on the list and use the related scripture to inspire worship while looking at, or experiencing, it. Great for children and all who are young at heart!



[Gardening, Spirituality and Well-being](#) – The **Parable Garden**

Gardening offers fresh approaches to nurture spirituality and well-being using the natural world, helping people to make connections between seasons and processes in nature, spirituality as well as aspects of Christian teaching. The Parable Garden offers training and resources to help nurture our Godly nature connection.



[Outdoor Worship Book](#) – **Engage Worship**

A resource book of ideas an inspiration to help mixed-age groups, families and churches engage with God in his world. This 52 page, full colour A5 book features space for your own "field notes", plus biblical reflections and articles on how we can better relate to the earth. Purchase the book for £6 or download the PDF version £5.