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## God Will Provide

Forming a Family/Preparing a People

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When Scripture makes us want to flee, learning to stay, pray, sing, and tell the story faithfully.

### REFERENCES

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

### COLORS

Green

## Liturgical Resources

**Focus Text:** [Genesis 22:1-14](#)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

When our way seems unclear, and we are surrounded by loud and conflicting voices...

**God will provide.**

When we, like Abraham, are trying to be faithful and seem to have no good choices available to us...

**God will provide.**

When we, like Isaac, are led by those we trust into unjust and harmful situations...

**God will provide.**

Family in Christ, we gather today to worship God, who meets us in places of fear, confusion, and despair.

**We gather to worship God, who provides a way toward abundant life when no way can be found.  
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

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## OPENING PRAYER

Lord,  
the hearts of all turn to You in hope;  
and You give them what they need.  
You open Your hand  
and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled—  
to eat of the Bread of Life,  
to drink from Your life-giving streams,  
to taste Your goodness and live.

May the time we spend together in Your presence  
nourish our hearts and minds;  
may it strengthen our relationship with You,  
and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples.

For You alone are God,  
the Source and Sustainer of life.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Written by Christine Longhurst at the re:Worship blog, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/07/opening-prayer-feed-us-lord.html>.*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Comforter, draw near,  
for You have waited and watched,  
as we have stumbled through the tasks of life.  
Our ears have not been open to the sound of Your gentleness,  
and so with frustration and anger,

we have turned on those we love and cherish  
and brought hurt and division to life.  
Our eyes have not noticed the beauty of our surroundings,  
and in resentment of being restrained from living,  
we have played our part in the changing pattern of creation,  
forgetting to steward all You have made.  
In prayer, we remember You invite us  
to choose between the path of darkness and the path of light,  
and laying our sorrow and failure on the ground,  
we long for Your forgiveness to call us towards life with You.  
We wait to be reshaped by the fire of Your Holy Spirit,  
as new vigour spurs us to walk with You.

### *Silence*

God's gift of eternal life has been given in Jesus Christ, who offers us forgiveness from our sins  
and welcomes us to the way of holiness. Amen.

Written by Rev MaryAnn Rennie, [Church of Scotland](#). Reposted on the Pilgrim WR Uniting Church  
website at <https://pilgrimwr.unitingchurch.org.au/?p=7103>.

### **BENEDICTION**

May God go with you, blessing you with divine provision, making paths where there were none  
before, and leading you into flourishing in the most impossible of places. Amen.

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