



flowers



O heavenly Father, you
have filled the world

with beauty: Open our eyes to
behold your gracious hand in all your
works; that, rejoicing in your whole
creation, we may learn to serve you
with gladness; for the sake of him
through whom all things were made,
your Son Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.



THE *readings*

A reading from Luke 12:27-31.

²⁷ “Think about how the wild flowers grow. They don’t work or make clothing. But here is what I tell you. Not even Solomon in his royal robes was dressed like one of those flowers. ²⁸ If that is how God dresses the wild grass, how much better will he dress you! After all, the grass is here only today. Tomorrow it is thrown into the fire. Your faith is so small! ²⁹ Don’t spend time thinking about what you will eat or drink. Don’t worry about it. ³⁰ People who are ungodly run after all those things. Your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But put God’s kingdom first. Then those other things will also be given to you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A reading from Song of Songs 2:11-12.

¹¹ Look! The winter is past.

The rains are over and gone.

¹² Flowers are appearing on the earth.

The season for singing has come.

The cooing of doves

is heard in our land.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE *wonderings*

*what do you wonder about
because of what you've read or heard?*

THE *observations*

as you "think about how the wild flowers grow" and the ways God cares for the things he created, how do you see God caring for you?

THE *connections*

***what does today's conversation make you think of?
are there other stories from the Bible that come to mind?***

THE *response*

*what do you want to draw or write or remember
because of what you read or heard or saw?*

THE *prayers*

***what do you want to say to God
because of what you read or heard or saw?***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.

**THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

God knows you! He's crazy about you! He goes with you everywhere!