The Timeless Psalms

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A Call to Worship Psalm 29, Trinity Sunday B 2012

The Lord our God, the King of all creation, calls us to worship. We gather to celebrate the glory and majesty of God's voice.

The Lord our God reigns in the splendour of glorious holiness. We gather to honour and praise the wonder of God's voice.

The Lord our God is lauded and glorified throughout creation. We gather to worship and revere the miracle of God's voice. Great is the Lord our God who blesses people with peace. Amen.

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Prayers of Praise Psalm 29, Trinity Sunday B 2012

Holy God, praise and reverent honour is offered to you, whose voice is seen and heard both by all the heavenly bodies, and by all humanity - as that voice which spoke throughout all of creation—then and now - as God continues to find great delight and joy, as God blesses all creation and sees that it is always "very good."

Creating God, in response to your voice with all its power and majesty, we humbly raise our voices in response, to offer you our thanks and our praise for your great generosity in creating a world that is so very beautiful. The mighty voice of God continues to have an impact on creation and on people, reminding them all of God's glorious and holy presence, and of God's powers.

Grace-giving God, we rejoice and celebrate with our brothers and sisters, and with all creation for the very special gift you give us all—the wonder of your gentle strength, and the peace that passes all of our human understanding. Your invitation to each of us to receive your inner strength; and your holy peace calls to us to respond in reverent awe before your holy yet welcoming presence. And so this day, we raise our voices to say, sing and pray: *"That God is so good!"* Amen.

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A Personal Meditation Psalm 29, Trinity Sunday B 2012

Creating God, it seems to me that your creative and sustaining voice is active, constant and clearly able to be received in every aspect of life if only we use our listening ears; and the ears of our hearts and minds to receive your words of strength, grace, mercy, love and compassion.

Creative pause: I rejoice in God constant and active voice - if I listen for it.

The voice of God calls to all creation – including humanity – with words of inspirational blessing and peace which call us to respond with joyful praise. The morning breezes bring with them the freshness of God's ever-new strength for life's joys and pleasures, and its sorrows and disappointments. Every morning, God's voice calls us to new adventures in God's beautiful world, with new messages for us about how God sustains this beautiful world.

Creative pause: I rejoice in God's inspirational voice of blessing and peace.

The voice of God calls to all creation – including humanity – with words of encouragement and instruction which call us to respond with attentive thanks. The warmth of the afternoon sun shines on us with delight, regardless of whether we can see it or not; and we know it is there, warming us and our lives with its radiant light and blessing. It is a constant reminder of God's voice that calls us to be light-bringers, and warmth-givers, to people crying out in need.

Creative pause: I rejoice in God voice of encouragement and instruction.

The voice of God calls to all creation – including humanity – with words of comfort and reassurance that God is indeed present with us in our needs. The coolness of the evening and night, and the softer light of the heavenly skies all speak to us of the calming voice of God's presence with us in the vulnerable hours of helpless sleep. God voice sings us a soothing lullaby, so that we can with confidence leave our concerns in God's holy and strong care.

Creative pause: I rejoice in God voice of comfort and reassurance.

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