Scripture Readings - Oct. 26,2025 - Little Current UCPC

Psalm 148 VU 871-872

Refrain: Let the whole creation cry, "Glory be to God on high."

Praise God from the heavens; give praise in the heights! Give praise, all you angels; praise God, all you hosts!

Praise God, sun and moon; give praise, stars and lights!

Praise God, farthest heavens, and all waters beyond heaven! *Refrain*

Let all things praise the Holy One at whose command they were created, who established them for all time, setting bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise God from the earth, great sea creatures and ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and frost, gales that obey God's decree,

all mountains and hills, all fruit trees and cedars, wild animals and cattle, creatures winged and earth-bound,

sovereigns who rule earth and its people, all who govern and judge this world, young men and women alike, old people and children together! *Refrain*

Let all things praise the name of God, the name above every other, whose splendour covers heaven and earth.

You who give strength to your people, songs of praise to your faithful, to Israel, the people dear to your heart. *Refrain*

Matthew 6:25-34 NRSV Updated Edition "Do Not Worry"

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will

we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

May God's spirit shape our understanding of these words. **And may they awaken in our hearts.**

