

## Gathering in God's Name: Creator God theme

*The "Gathering in God's Name" section of APBA liturgies both eucharistic and non-eucharistic often includes a Trinitarian invocation of God's presence. This is offered in two forms, one with an extended prayer for the leader with congregational response, the other offering more dialogue. "Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier" is not recommended as a Trinitarian naming of God, as Trinitarian orthodoxy affirms that creating, redeeming and sanctifying are the work of all three persons of the Trinity together.*

*Biblical references: Psalm 104, Matthew 13*

We praise you, living God:

you give strength to the earth that sustains us,  
**you open your hand to feed all living things.**

We praise you, Lord Jesus Christ:

you teach us with stories of seeds and weeds and harvest time,  
**you call us to accept your word and bear much fruit.**

We praise you, Holy Spirit, fire of love:

you are the breath of life in every creature,  
**you refresh our thirsty souls with grace.**

Blessed be God, Source of Wisdom, living Word, abiding Spirit,

**Blessed be God for ever.**

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