

Facebook Posts August 2023



As part of the Circuit's commitment to **Pray 2-3** we will be using pictures of flowers as a prayer focus. Photographs of single blooms have been collected across the Circuit throughout June and July.

Each day in August there will be a photograph of a flower alongside either a verse from the bible, a line of a poem or line of a hymn. Please use these as a focus for prayer on the amazing variety, beauty and detail of creation.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Gen 1:1

In the wonder of creation ... showing God's imagination all may see his love goes on.

StF 110 v1



'Where flowers bloom, so does hope'.
Lady Bird Johnson



StF 100 All things bright and beautiful



Ps 92.5a – How great are your works, O Lord

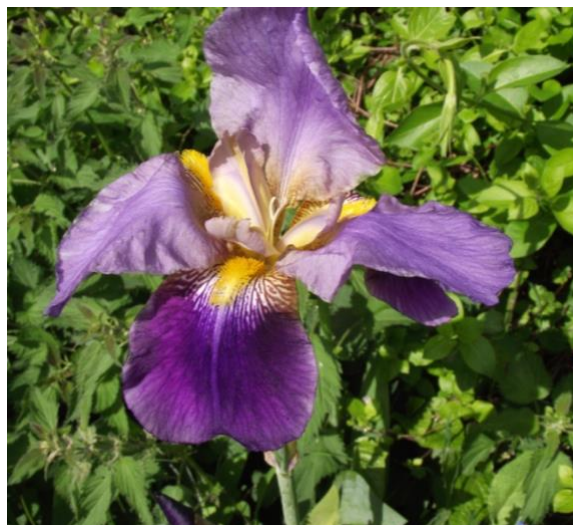


StF 75 v1 From all that dwell below the
skies let the Creator's praise arise: Alleluia



"If I had a flower for every time I thought of you...
I could walk through my garden forever."
– Alfred Lord Tennyson

Ps 96.11 – Let the fields be
jubilant, and everything in it.



To see a World in a Grain of Sand and a Heaven in a Wild Flower, hold Infinity in the palm of your hand and Eternity in an hour.' William Blake (CandJ)



StF 11 – v4 All the works shall praise they
name in earth and sky and sea;



StF 84 v1 Praise the Lord, his glories
show, Alleluia



Romans 1.20 – For since the creation of the
world God's invisible qualities...
have been clearly seen.



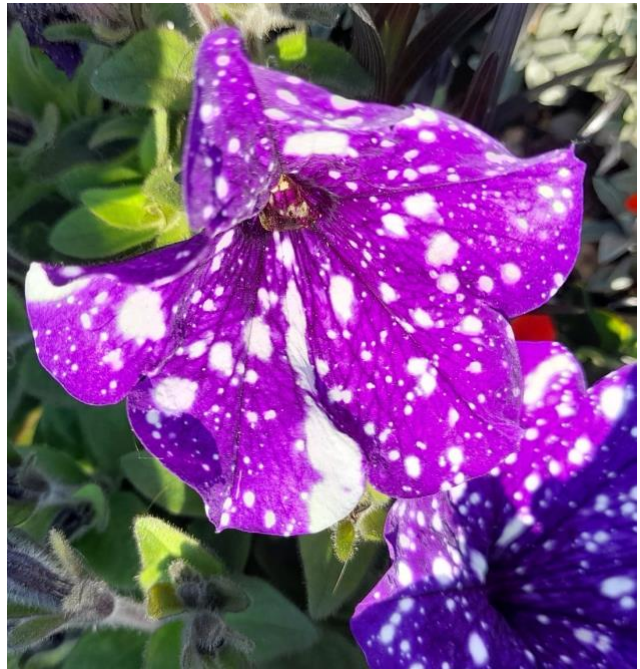
StF 99v1 Dear mother earth, who day
by day unfolds rich blessings on our
way.



'The world laughs in flowers'
Ralph Waldo Emerson



StF 113 v3 The world with its store of
wonders untold.



Song of songs 2:12 Flowers appear on the earth; the
season of singing has come.



StF 102 v1 For the beauty of the earth...
Gracious God, to you we raise this our
sacrifice of praise.



'Neath the blue of the sky...
It is there that the regal poppies are born'.
Clement Scott



'For flowers that bloom about our feet...
praise.
Father in heaven we thank thee'.
Ralph Waldo Emerson



StF 449 Lord of creation, to you be all



"In joy or sadness, flowers are our constant friends." — Okakura Kakuzo



All the names I know from nurse:
Gardener's garters, Shepherd's purse,
Bachelor's buttons, Lady's smock, and
the Lady Hollyhock. Robert Louis Stevenson



StF 92v1 Think of a world without any flowers ...
we thank you, Lord, for flowers and trees and sunshine.



“One of the most attractive things about flowers is their beautiful reserve.”
— Henry David Thoreau



‘The people said, a weed. And some are pretty enough, And some are poor indeed; And now again the people call it but a weed’.
Lord Tennyson



“If we could see the miracle of a single flower clearly, our whole life would change.” – Buddha



‘A rose by any other name would smell as sweet,’ William Shakespeare



Flowers are the music of the ground,
from earth's lips spoken without sound';
Edwin Curran

"We are all golden sunflowers inside."
— Allen Ginsberg



"There are always flowers for those who want to see them." – Henri Matisse



Gen 1.31 – God saw all that he had made and it was very good.



This is the last day for the photos of flowers shown each day throughout August. Thank you for viewing them. I hope that it has been a helpful way to reflect on God's amazing gift of creation in such varied detail. I, personally, have been inspired to look much more closely at many familiar flowers and marvel at the beauty of each individual one. **Deacon Jen**