

Earth Day

Reflection

On Tuesday, April 22, 2025, Earth Day will celebrate its 55th anniversary, with the theme, **OUR POWER, OUR PLANET**[™]. Earth Day is a powerful reminder that we all have a part to play in protecting our environment. The **OUR POWER, OUR PLANET**[™] campaign helps people think about the power of renewable energy and how it can help preserve the Earth. As we mark this milestone, it's a great time to reflect on how our actions impact the planet and embrace the idea that **our collective power can create lasting change**.

The **Five Marks of Mission** provide a guiding framework for living out our faith and responding to the world's needs. These marks include: **Proclaiming the Gospel, Teaching and Nurturing, Serving Others, Transforming Injustice**, and, of course, **Creation Care**. This fifth mark encourages us to be faithful stewards of God's Earth, ensuring that we protect and preserve it for future generations. This Earth Day, let's think about how we can take action in our daily lives to honour and protect the planet. Together, our power can make a difference!

Prayer

Creator God, we thank You for the gift of the Earth and for 55 years of Earth Day, reminding us of our shared responsibility to protect Your creation. As we reflect on this year's theme, **OUR POWER, OUR PLANET**[™], we ask for Your guidance to use our power wisely, embracing renewable energy and sustainable practices. Help us to recognize the urgency of the climate crisis and act with compassion and responsibility. May we work together to heal the Earth, protect future generations, and live in harmony with all living things. In Your name, we pray. Amen.