Welcome to the

Mothers' UNION

Worldwide Gathering 2026

1 October 2026

Durban

Schedule

Day 2

1 October

Session	Time
Morning Eucharist	
Pre-Eucharistic Service Music & Preparation	8:15am – 8:45am
Opening Eucharist - Bread for the Journey	9am – 10:30am
Tea and Refreshments	10:30am – 11am
Young Voices & Family	
Voices of Young MU Leaders	11am – 12pm
Lunch	12pm – 1:30pm
Family Panel 1 - What Does a Family Look Like Now?	1:30pm – 2:30pm
Afternoon Tea & Exhibition	2:30pm – 3pm
Family Panel 2 - Raising Children of Faith	3pm – 4pm
Delegate Reflection & Day Feedback	4pm – 4:45pm

Being Present Together

To help us make the most of our time together, we kindly ask that you keep your phones away during the event and put them on silent. Wherever possible, please refrain from taking or making phone calls during the event. Please take the opportunity during the breaks to catch up on messages and correspondence.

Live streaming, FaceTime and personal recording are not permitted throughout the event. We have a professional photography and recording team with us who will be capturing the occasion, and recordings and photographs will be shared with members afterwards.






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Prayer Room

A quiet space is available throughout the Gathering for prayer, reflection and quiet time by the toilets on the right-hand side of the stage.

Whether you want to spend a few moments in stillness, pray for our Mothers' Union family around the world, or simply take some time for yourself, you are warmly invited to use the prayer room.

You are welcome to come and pray at any time.






"SERVE THE EARTH,
SERVE THE LORD"
GENESIS 2:15




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WE DID IT! 8 MILES!


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Health and Safety

Please familiarise yourself with the exit routes and assembly points indicated by the signage throughout the venue.

A dedicated first aid station is located at the main medical desk. For health and safety reasons, staff members are not permitted to distribute personal medications or painkillers.

Certified Intermediate Life Support (ILS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) are present throughout the event. If you feel unwell or require medical attention, please notify any staff member immediately.


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Safety and Security

If you notice any safety hazards or experience an incident, please report it immediately to a member of the safety team from Cumme Safe or venue staff.

Be aware of your surroundings, take care when moving through high-traffic corridors, and report any potential hazards to staff immediately.

Please take all badges, lanyards and name tags off before leaving the ICC Exhibition Centre.












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Please note

All table and venue decorations are to be left where they are and not moved or taken away.

There are additional worship songs across the Gathering that are not printed in the worship booklet. Please refer to the screens for the lyrics.

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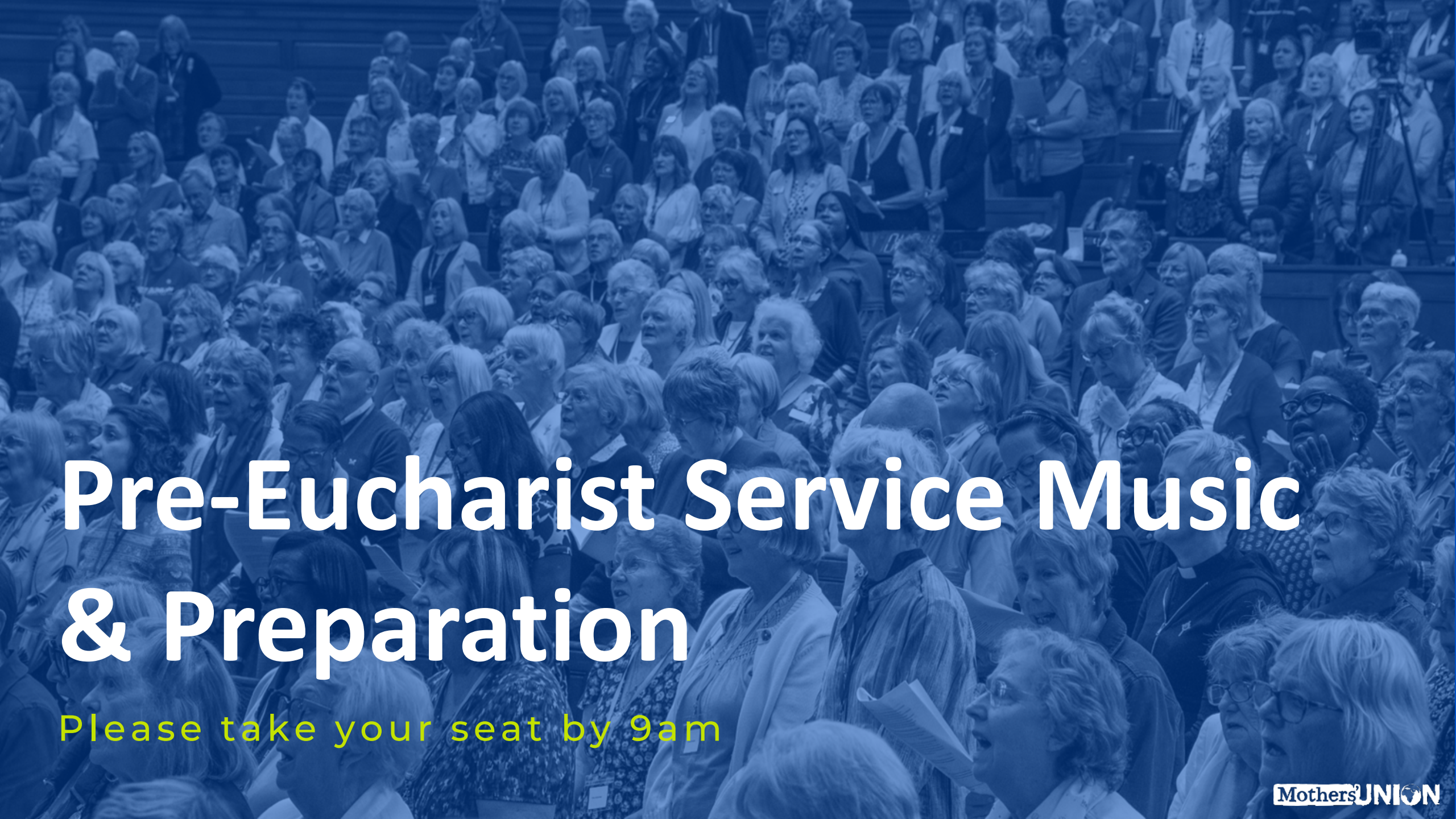

Pre-Eucharist Service Music & Preparation

Please take your seat by 9am

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Opening Eucharist

Bread for the journey

Mothers' UNION

Introit Hymn

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name all victorious of Jesus extol: his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have: the great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! let all cry aloud, and honour the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right: all glory and pow’r, all wisdom and might, and honour and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

Charles Wesley
(1707-1788)

Hymn

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

Setswana

Baitshephi botlhe ba
wa ka mangole,
G'obamela Kgosi e'ntseng
mo teroneng,
E bong Rara, Morwa,
Mowa wa letshego,
O le Boraro mo
Bongwefeleng.

English

All the saints fall down
before you,
worshipping the King
enthroned above:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Three in One for evermore

Shona

Iwe Unoyera, rima
rinosvisa
Mbiri yako huru kune
vanyangadzi;
Iwe Unoyera, hapanazve
mumwe
Anoperera simba,
norudo.

English

Holy are you; though darkness
conceals
your glorious splendour from
sinful eyes,
holy are you; there is none
beside you,
perfect in power and perfect in
love.

isiZulu

Ngcwele, Ngcwele, Ngcwele,
NkosiuSomandla
Konke okwakho
kuyakubonga wena
Ngcwele, Ngcwele,
Ngcwele, wen'onesihawu,
Ongqobo Ntathu,
ube umunye.

English

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God
Almighty!
All that is yours shall offer
praise to you.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and
gracious,
three Persons, yet for ever one.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you

And also with you

People of God, gathered from many nations, cultures and communities, we are one body in Christ.

Let us worship God in unity and joy.

Praise the Lord

Praise him you servants of the Lord

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Blessed be his Name, now and for ever.

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung in isiZulu

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and Father we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Makudunyiswe uNkulunkulu ophezulu kubekhona ukuthula kubantu bakhe abasemhlabeni.
Nkosi Nkulunkulu, Nkosi yasezulwini, Somandla Nkulunkulu onguBaba, siyakudumisa, sikubonga, sikubabaza ngenkazimulo yakho

Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God
you take away the sin of
the world:
receive our prayer.
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right
hand of the Father:

Nkosi Jesu Khristu,
Ndodana eyodwa kaYise
Nkosi Nkulunkulu, Mvana
kaNkulunkulu,
wena osusa izono zomhlaba:
yemukela ukukhuleka
kwethu.
sihawukele;
wena ohlezi ngasekunene
kuka Yise:

For you alone are the
Holy One
you alone are the Lord
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ, with the Holy
Spirit,in the glory
of God the Father.
Amen

Ngokuba nguwe wedwa
ongoNgcwele
nguwe wedwa oyiNkosi
nguwe wedwa
ongoPhezukonke
Jesu Khristu, okanye noMoya
oNgcwele, enkazimulweni
kaNkulunkulu uYise.
Amen

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open all desires known
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen

The Kyrie is sung in isiZulu

Lord, have mercy	Nkosi, sihawukele
Christ, have mercy	Khristu, sihawukele
Lord, have mercy	Nkosi, sihawukele

The Penitence

Jesus said, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’
On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets. Let us confess our sins.

Almighty God, our
heavenly Father
in penitence we confess
that we have sinned
against you through our
own fault in thought,
word, and deed and in
what we have left undone.

For the sake of your Son,
Christ our Lord
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve
you in newness of life
to the glory of your Name.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you; pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

God our Father
you called us out of darkness into your marvellous light and you gave your servant Remigius to shine as a light in the world: shine in our hearts and enable us to proclaim your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Lord we give thanks for the life of Mary Sumner, for her obedience to your calling, for her vision for the Mothers' Union.
We pray that through the grace of your Holy Spirit we may receive renewed confidence and share that vision.

We give you thanks and praise for the many people around the world who reach out in the name of the Mothers' Union, through our work may we touch the lives of those we meet, that they too may know your love: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A reading from Job 19:21-27

Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, for the hand of God has touched me! Why do you, like God, pursue me, never satisfied with my flesh? ‘O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 27:9-17

O Lord, hear my voice
when I cry: have mercy
upon me and answer me.
My heart has said of you,
‘Seek his face’: your face,
Lord, I will seek.
Do not hide your face from
me: or thrust your servant
aside in displeasure;
For you have been my
helper: do not cast me
away or forsake me, O God
of my salvation. Though my
father and my mother
forsake me: the Lord will
take me up. Teach me your
way, O Lord and lead me in
an even path, for they lie in
wait for me.

Do not give me over to the will of my enemies: for false witnesses have risen against me, and those who breathe out violence.
But I believe that I shall surely see the goodness of the Lord: in the land of the living.

O wait for the Lord; stand firm and he will strengthen your heart: and wait, I say, for the Lord.
Glory to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning: is now and will be for ever. Amen

The Gradual hymn

Be thou my vision, O
Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to
me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought
in the day and the night,
Both waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou
my true word,
Be thou ever with me, and I
with thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and
I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling, and I
with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate,
my sword for the fight;
Be thou my whole armour,
be thou my true might;
Be thou my soul's shelter,
be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me
heavenward, great Power
of my power.

Riches I need not, nor all the
world's praise:
Be thou mine inheritance
now and always;
Be thou and thou only the
first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven, my
treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Irish (c. 8th century) trans. Mary Byrne (1880-1931), versified, Eleanor Hull (1860-1935).

Listen to the Good News proclaimed in the Gospel according to Luke 10:1-12

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them,
‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, “Peace to this house!” And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”

But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, “Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.” I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ our Lord

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God
the Father, the Almighty
maker of heaven and
Earth, of all that is, seen
and unseen.
We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ the only
Son of God eternally
begotten of the Father.

God from God, Light from
Light, true God from true
God,
begotten, not made, of one
Being with the Father;
through him all things were
made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from Heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord
the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Prayers of the Church

Faithful and merciful God, you gather us from many nations, cultures and communities and unite us as one family around the table of Christ.

As we celebrate 150 years of Mothers' Union, receive our thanksgiving and hear our prayers for the Church, the world and all your people.

We pray for the nations of the world: for places wounded by war, violence and injustice; for refugees and all who have been driven from their homes; for those who hunger for food, freedom, dignity and peace; and for all who hold positions of leadership and influence.
God of justice and peace, transform our hostility into reconciliation, our greed into generosity, and our fear into compassionate action.
Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church throughout the world:
for all who proclaim the gospel, all who serve Christ in difficult and dangerous places, and all who work for unity within the Body of Christ.

Bless the worldwide family of Mothers' Union.
We give thanks for 150 years of prayer, loving service and courageous witness.

Remember before you all who established and nurtured this movement, and all whose faithful service has brought us to this day.

God of faithfulness, transform our divisions into communion, our weariness into renewed strength, and our uncertainty into confident faith.
Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this Global Gathering and for every community represented here.

As you gathered your people around manna in the wilderness, and as Jesus fed the multitude with bread, nourish us through your Word and Sacrament.

Open our hearts to one another.
Help us to listen across differences of language, culture and experience.

May our fellowship strengthen our common purpose and renew our commitment to joining in your work of transforming families and communities.

God of unity, transform our prejudice into understanding, our exclusion into welcome, and our indifference into loving concern.

Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for families and communities throughout the world: for marriages and relationships in need of healing; for parents, grandparents, guardians and caregivers; for children and young people seeking hope and belonging; and for all who live with loneliness, poverty, unemployment, abuse, displacement or discrimination.

Strengthen the ministry of Mothers' Union among those whose voices are often unheard.

Make us courageous advocates for women and girls, faithful protectors of children, and companions to all who are vulnerable or marginalised.

God of compassion, transform our silence into advocacy, our helplessness into service, and our good intentions into faithful action.

Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in need: for those who are sick in body, mind or spirit; for those who are anxious, exhausted or overwhelmed; for the lonely, the bereaved and all who mourn; and for those who care for them with patience and love. In the silence of our hearts, we bring before you those known personally to us. Silence may be kept. God of healing, transform our fear into trust, our despair into hope, and our sorrow into the assurance of your presence.

Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mothers' UNION

We remember with thanksgiving all faithful members of Mothers' Union who have completed their earthly journey, especially those whose prayer, witness and loving service have shaped the life of this worldwide fellowship.

May we, following their example and strengthened by the communion of saints, remain rooted in Christ and fruitful in service until we gather at your eternal banquet.

God of resurrection, transform our mourning into hope, our weakness into strength, and our death into everlasting life. Give us this day the bread we need for the journey.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

God of the journey, you have sustained Mothers' Union for 150 years. As we receive the Bread of Life at this holy table, nourish us for the road ahead. Send us out renewed in hope, steadfast in prayer, courageous in service and united in love.

Following the faithful example of Mary, may we say yes to your call and carry Christ into the life of the world.
Accept these prayers, through Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.
The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Peace be with you.**

Hymn

isiXhosa

Ndiv’ izwi lako, Nkosi,
Liti ‘ndize kuwe,
Ndihlanjwe ngqe e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

Ndiza kuwe, Nkosi
Ndiza ngoku nje,
Ndenze mhlop’ e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

English

I hear your voice, O Lord,
calling me to come to you, to
be completely cleansed by the
Blood that flowed at Calvary.

I come to you, O Lord; I come
to you just as I am. Wash me
white in the Blood that flowed
at Calvary.

Noko ndipelelwe,
Usandomeleza,
Uhlambe ukuncola
kwam,
Ndide ndibe ngcwele

Though I am weak and
helpless, you continue to
strengthen me. Wash away
all my uncleanness
until I am made holy.

Ndiza kuwe, Nkosi
Ndiza ngoku nje,
Ndenze mhlop’ e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

I come to you, O Lord; I
come to you just as I am.
Wash me white in the
Blood that flowed at
Calvary.

Inguye u-Yesu
Owandibabala
Ukol’, utando, netemba,
Apa napezulu.

Ndiza kuwe, Nkosi
Ndiza ngoku nje,
Ndenze mhlop’ e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

It is Jesus who has
graciously given me faith,
love and hope, both here
and in heaven.

I come to you, O Lord; I
come to you just as I am.
Wash me white in the
Blood that flowed at
Calvary.

Inguye u-Yesu
Osebenzayo kum,
Endongezelel’ ufefe,
Egxotil’ isono.

It is Jesus who is working within me, increasing his grace and driving away sin.

Ndiza kuwe, Nkosi
Ndiza ngoku nje,
Ndenze mhlop’ e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

I come to you, O Lord; I come to you just as I am. Wash me white in the Blood that flowed at Calvary.

A! Gazi lingcwele,
Elandikululula,
Isipo s-Onobubele,
U-Kristu iNkosi.

Ndiza kuwe, Nkosi
Ndiza ngoku nje,
Ndenze mhlop’ e-Gazini
Elop’ e-Kalvari.

O holy Blood, which has set me free: the gift of the Merciful One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

I come to you, O Lord; I come to you just as I am. Wash me white in the Blood that flowed at Calvary.

Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!

isiZulu

Ngibabaza okwenzileyo
Nkosi Umhlaba lo osenzele wona
Ezulwini ngibon’ izinkanyezi
Nay’ imvula ivel’ ezulwini.
Umoya wami uyakudumisa
Umukhulu Simakade.
Umoya wami uyakudumisa
Umukhulu Simakade.

English

I marvel at all you have done, O Lord, and at the world that you have made. In the heavens I behold the stars and the rain that comes down from above. Then sings my soul in praise of you: how great you are, Almighty God! Then sings my soul in praise of you: how great you are, Almighty God!

Afrikaans

U Seun word mens, in ons gebroke wereld
Kom vestig Hy sy konings heerskappy.
Hy maak weer reg wat sonde hier geskend het
Hy bring weer hoop en redding ook vir my.

English

His Son became a man within our broken world
And came to establish his sovereign reign.
He restores what sin has ruined here;
He brings me hope and salvation once again.

Afrikaans	**English**
Dan moet ek juig my Redder en my God! Hoe groot is U! Hoe groot is U! Want deur die hele skepping klink dit saam: Hoe groot O Heer, hoe groot U naam!	Then I must sing, my Saviour and my God: How great you are! How great you are! For all creation joins in one refrain: How great, O Lord, how great your name!

Karl Boberg (1859-1940) trans. Stuart K. Hime (1899-1989)

Yours Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own
do we give you.
Amen

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. For us it becomes the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. For us it becomes the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right and indeed our duty and joy, Lord and heavenly Father, God almighty and eternal, always and everywhere to give thanks through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

Because through him you have created everything from the beginning and formed us in your own image;
Through him you delivered us from the slavery of sin, when you gave him to be born as man, to die on the cross and to rise again for us;

Through him you claimed us as your own people when you enthroned him with you in heaven, and through him sent out your Holy Spirit, the giver of life.

And now we give you thanks for the glorious pledge of the hope of our calling which you have given us in your saints; that, following their example and strengthened by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, and with them receive the unfading crown of glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we acclaim you and declare the greatness of your glory; we praise you now and for ever saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Hear us, Father, through your Son Christ our Lord; through him accept our offering of thanks and praise, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine so that they may be to us his body and his blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed he took bread, and when he had given you thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, ‘Take this and eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.’

So too after supper he took the cup, and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them saying,
‘Drink of it all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.’

So we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Holy Father, with these your gifts, we your people celebrate before you the one perfect sacrifice of Christ our Lord, his rising from the dead and his ascending to the glory of heaven.

Gracious Lord, accept us in him, unworthy though we are, so that we who share in the body and blood of your Son may be made one with all your people of this and every age.

Grant that as we await the coming of Christ our Saviour in the glory and triumph of his kingdom, we may daily grow into his likeness; with whom, and in whom, and through whom, by the power of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour be given to you, almighty Father, by the whole company of earth and heaven, throughout all ages, now and for ever.

Amen

As Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

The bread which we break
is it not a sharing of the body of Christ?

We, who are many, are one body for we all partake of the one bread.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies, we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table but you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.

Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Agnus Dei in isiZulu

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.	Mvana kaNkulunkuluesusa izono zomhlaba:sihawukele.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.	Mvana kaNkulunkuluesusa izono zomhlaba:sihawukele.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grantus Your peace.	Mvana kaNkulunkuluesusa izono zomhlaba:siphe ukuthula.

Communion hymn

isiZulu

Jesu osisindisayo
Samkele sisondele
Sesifike ekudleni
Okwamiswayo nguwe.

Ngokuvalelisa kwakho
Washo kub’ abafundi
Ngokugcina izwi lami
Niyakungikhumbula.

English

Jesus, our Saviour,
receive us as we draw near.
We have come to share the
meal which you yourself
established.

When you were taking leave of
them, you said to your
disciples: “By keeping these
words of mine, you will
remember me.”

isiZulu

Yidlanini lesisinkwa
Niphuze newayini
Lokhu kunguMzimba wami
Lokhu liGazi lami.

Yebo Jesu lokhukudla
Sikudla ngokukholwa
Ngaso lesisikhumbuzo
Siyakukhumbula. Amen.

English

Eat this bread
and drink this wine:
this is my Body,
and this is my Blood.

Yes, Jesus, we receive this food and partake of it in faith. Through this sacred memorial, we remember you. Amen.

Communion hymn

And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calv'ry's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee
that only off'ring perfect in thine eyes,
the one, true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo, between our sins and their reward
we set the Passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal:
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
and by this food, so aweful and so sweet,
deliver us from ev’ry touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us never more to part with thee.

William Bright (1824-1901)

isiXhosa

Uyi-ndlela yenyaniso,
Nyana lo ka-Tixo wam;
Ndimi ngawi onk’ ama,
Wena unobomi bam.

Uti ngobubele bako,
“Sondelani nonke kam;
Ndonivis’ olwam uxolo,
Ndonivis’ ufefe lwam.

English

You are the true and living Way, Son of my God. Through you I stand at all times; you are my life.

In your loving kindness you say: “Come near to me, all of you. I will let you know my peace; I will let you experience my grace.”

isiXhosa

“Kaulezani, nab’ ubomi
Eniyakubudla ngam;
Nas’ i-Sonka, ese-Zulu;
Sondelani, nitye nam.

“Ndisi-Sonka sokupila,
Ndingamanzi abubom:
Ningasela nitye nonke,
Nize e-Zulwini kum.”

English

“Come quickly and receive the life that you shall enjoy through me. Here is the Bread of Heaven; draw near and eat with me.

“I am the Bread of Life,
and I am the living water.
Come, all of you, drink and eat,
so that you may come to me in heaven.”

isiXhosa

Nkosi ndomeleze mina,
Ndize ndidl’ ubomi nam,
Ndibe nokukudumisa
Ngayo intliziyo yam.

English

Lord, strengthen me,
that I too may receive this
life, and may praise you
with all my heart.

Worship song

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

CCLI Song # 6158927
Edward Mote | Eric Liljero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Batchelder Bradbury

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious
His mercy endures for ever

Father, from whom every family in heaven
and on earth takes its name, your servant Mary Sumner
revealed your goodness in a life of tranquility and service:
grant that we who have gathered in faith around this table
may like her know the love of Christ that surpasses
knowledge and be filled with all your fullness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Father almighty we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out into the world in the power of the Holy Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

God, bless Africa. Protect our children. Guide our leaders.
Heal our communities.
Restore our dignity and give us peace for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen**

May God, who gives patience and encouragement,
give you a spirit of unity, to live in harmony as your follow Jesus Christ, so that with one voice, you may glorify God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen

Recessional Hymn

Mine eyes have seen the glory
of the coming of the Lord.
He is trampling out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are
stored.
He has loosed the fateful
lighting of his terrible swift
sword.
His truth is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

I have seen him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps. They have gilded him an altar in the evening dews and damps. I can read his righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps. His day is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat. He is sifting out all human hearts before his judgement seat.
O, be swift my soul to answer him, be jubilant my feet! Our God is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom
that transfigures you and me.
As he died to make us holy,
let us live that all be free,
whilst God is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

Julia Ward Howe (1819-1910)

Worship Song

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy worthy worthy

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Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham



Refreshment Break

Please return by 11am

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Liezel Mullah

Speaker



Lulama Ntuta

Anglican Communion
Youth Network

Voices of Young MU Leaders

Hosted by Naomi Foxwood, MU Leadership Programme Manager

Where youth applauds the MU

- Prayer Life
- Ministry to the widows
- Support of street children
- Family first values
- Caring of women and girls
- Commitment to ending poverty
- Initiating partnership with another parish group
- Environmental advocacy



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Opportunity for MU

- Young people keen about MU
- Familiar to some of the values
- At local parish level, collaboration
- Living out of good values – attracts the youth
- Youth starting families need mentors
- Training gaps



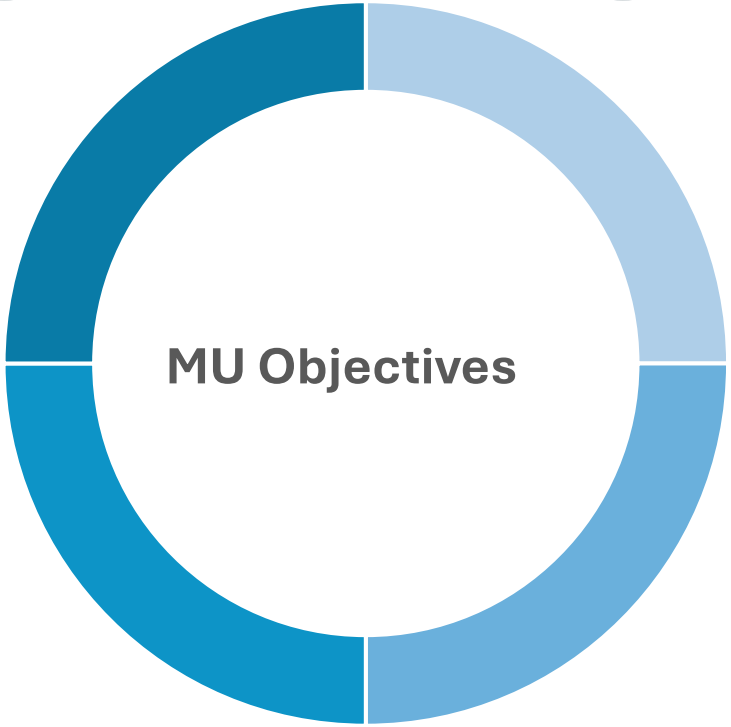
A balanced lifestyle

Violence-free societies

Empowered community

A just and free world

Strong families in Christian values



Prophetic voice upheld

Economically supported

Deep faith

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Anglican Communion Youth Network and MU partnership

- Core values and the future focus of the MU around youth empowerment
- Possibilities of global collaboration with the ACYN for inter-generational development work
- Strengthening the work of the Communion Networks
- Looking at young adults, starting families (new parents, balancing life and marriage demands) and could benefit from the ministry of the MU
- Strengthening prayer life



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ACYN training in Jordan

Attending a workshop aimed at deconstructing gender stereotypes and strengthening advocacy in equality and inclusion.

- For a safe and inclusive church
- A youth voice in all platforms of influence
- An educated people to lead with knowledge
- To work towards the end of GBV
- Uphold the values of Christianity



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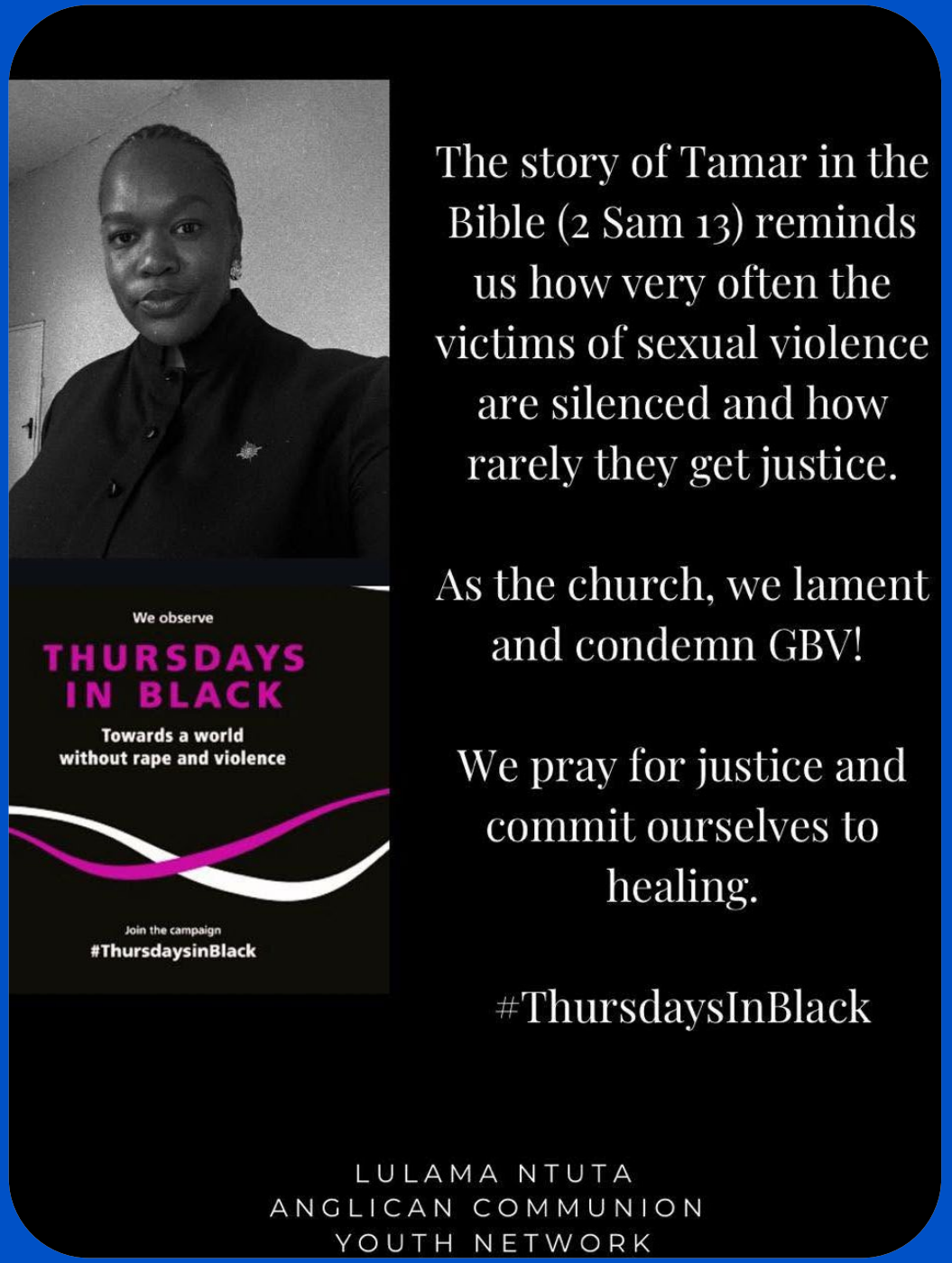
#ThursdaysInBlack

How can we build communities that are safe for all families to grow in love?



Anglican Communion Youth Network at work









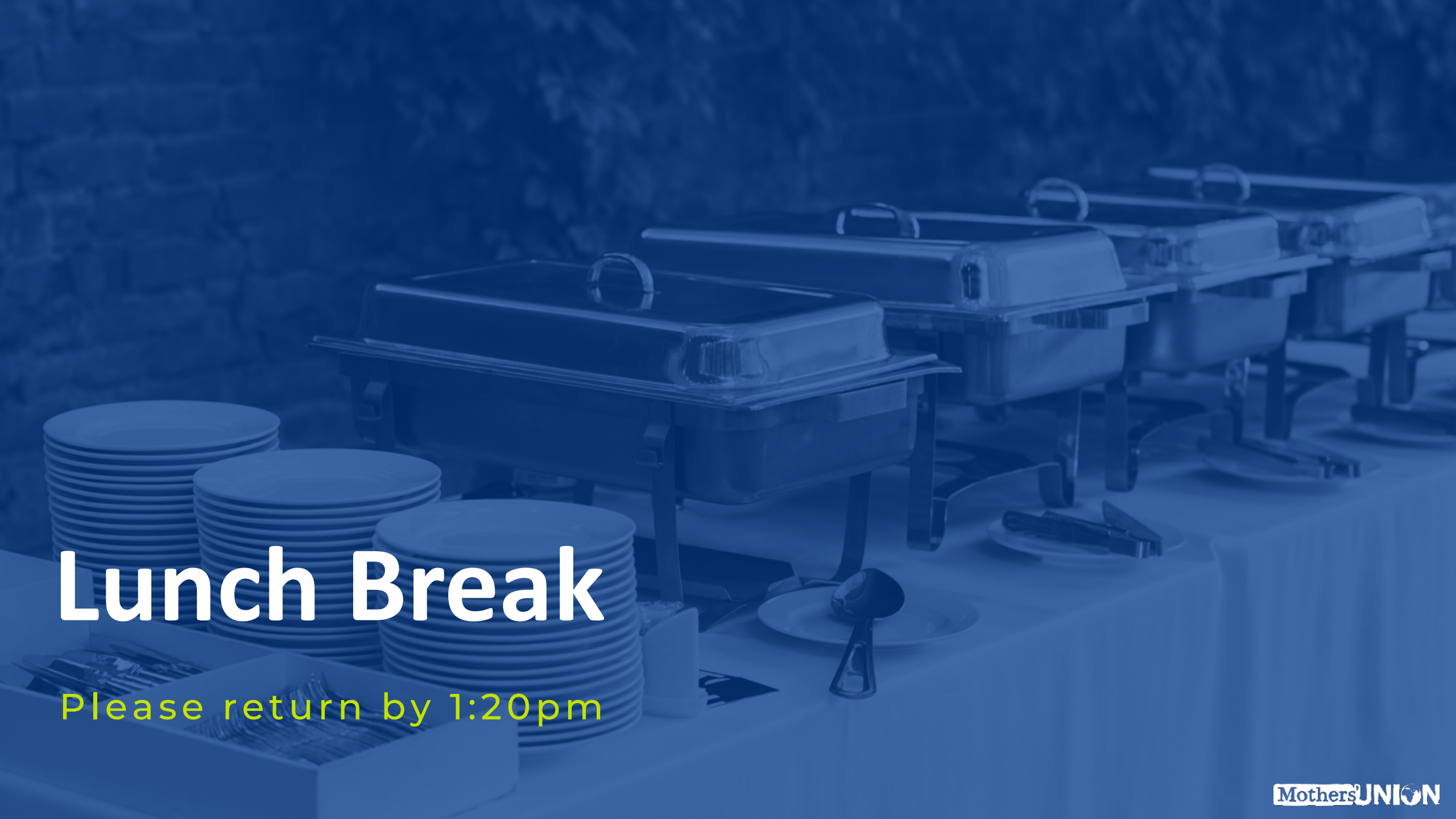


Closing prayer

Lord,

We thank you for the fellowship we enjoy through being united across the world as the Youth Network and Mothers Union.
Bind us together as we uphold one another in prayer;
Draw us together in love and peace;
As we celebrate your goodness, may our unity deepen and grow;

Amen.



Lunch Break

Please return by 1:20pm

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Revd Maria Van Staden

MU Zonal Trustee



Dr Kezia October

Academic



Mandy Marshall

Practitioner



Revd Barbara Turyashemererwa Mugisha

Faith Leader

Family Panel 1 - What Does a Family Look Like Now?

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Refreshment Break

Please return by 3pm

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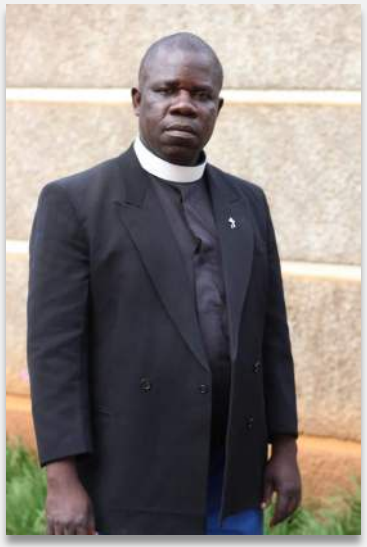
Estelle Dibo

MU Zonal Trustee



Revd William Banda

Faith Leader



Dr Robin Ray

Lecturer



Sandra Rollands

Speaker



Antonia Wilson

Speaker

Family Panel 2 - Raising Children of Faith

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Delegate Reflection & Day Feedback

- What was the most exciting or valuable idea you are taking away from today?
- What most challenged or changed your thinking?
- Was there a particular speaker, session or discussion that stood out to you? Why?
- What questions are you leaving with that you would like to explore further?
- What is one action you would like to take as a result of today's sessions?
- Who did you meet or connect with today, and how might you continue that conversation?

See you tomorrow from 8:30am for a 9am start!

Please remember to take your lanyards off before leaving ICC Exhibition Centre.

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