

TOMORROW'S CALLING

The Mission and Discipleship Council would like to thank Rev Grant Barclay for providing this prayer as part of 'Tomorrow's Calling'.

'The Word became a human being and, full of grace and truth, lived among us.'

John 1: 14, Good News translation

Great God in community, we remember with gratitude
that when you called Moses
you involved his sister Miriam and brother Aaron in your liberation plan;
when you called Samuel
you gifted him with the generous mother-love of Hannah, and enabled a weak-eyed Eli to discern
your voice and guide a child to listen with faithful openness;
and when you called Timothy
he was supported through the faith of his mother and grandmother.

We praise you that in the fullness of time you sent your own Son
to be born of a woman,
to grow up in a family,
who was surrounded by followers and friends
and who lived and preached among the villagers of Galilee and the citizens of Jerusalem.

We thank you for the women and men who are answering your call to ministry in many forms
and we pray for those who surround them:
in families,
in congregations and fellowships,
in colleges and universities,
at places of work and
in online communities;
as their friends,
colleagues,
mentors,
encouragers,
prayerful supporters
and family members
as well as through the Church of Scotland
and the staff who serve you in supporting ministry development in many ways.

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May there be encouragement, shared learning, practical support,
a common discerning of your Spirit's presence and, above all, love
that the good news of life in fullness in Jesus Christ,
Word made flesh and living among us,
may still be sent
in human presence,
through human voice,
by human touch
and heard, experienced and received across our nation and beyond.

In the name of the One who, made human for us and our salvation,
reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God in perfect unity. Amen.

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