



Pride Month Greetings from Bishop Michael Pryse

Bishop Michael here to wish you, your families and communities a blessed and celebratory Pride Month.

It's been 10 years since our church rescinded a harmful and discriminatory ordination practice which prevented a whole segment of society from serving in rostered positions of leadership. Since then, we've made strides toward becoming a more diverse and inclusive church, but we still have a long way to go.

Thank-you my LGBTQIA+ siblings for hanging in with us. Thank-you for the gifts of grace, love and forbearance that you have faithfully shared with a church that once refused to share a full Christian life with you. Your faithful and persistent witness have changed us and made us better than what we were. We are so very grateful!

Bishop Michael

Let us pray,

Creator, Giver, and Sustainer of Life, today we celebrate the diversity of your beloveds! You have shown us what it looks like to radically welcome all of your children; to make space for your fullness to be experienced; and to be church together by co-creating safe and affirming spaces to live, worship and thrive in.

Thank you for teaching us to more faithfully love YOU, and our neighbor.

God of Grace, hear our prayer.