

# Schubert - Ave Maria



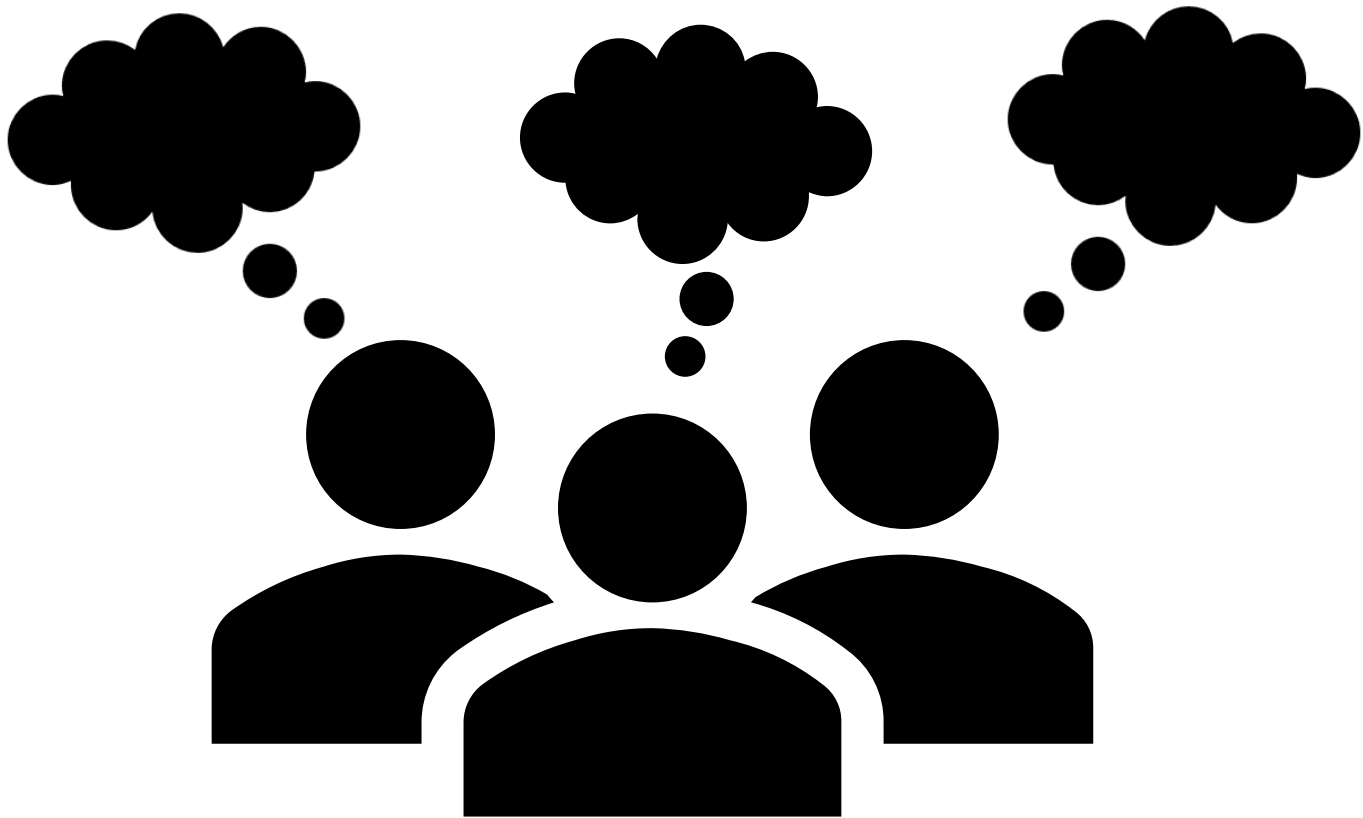
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**ALL: ...we bring our hearts.**



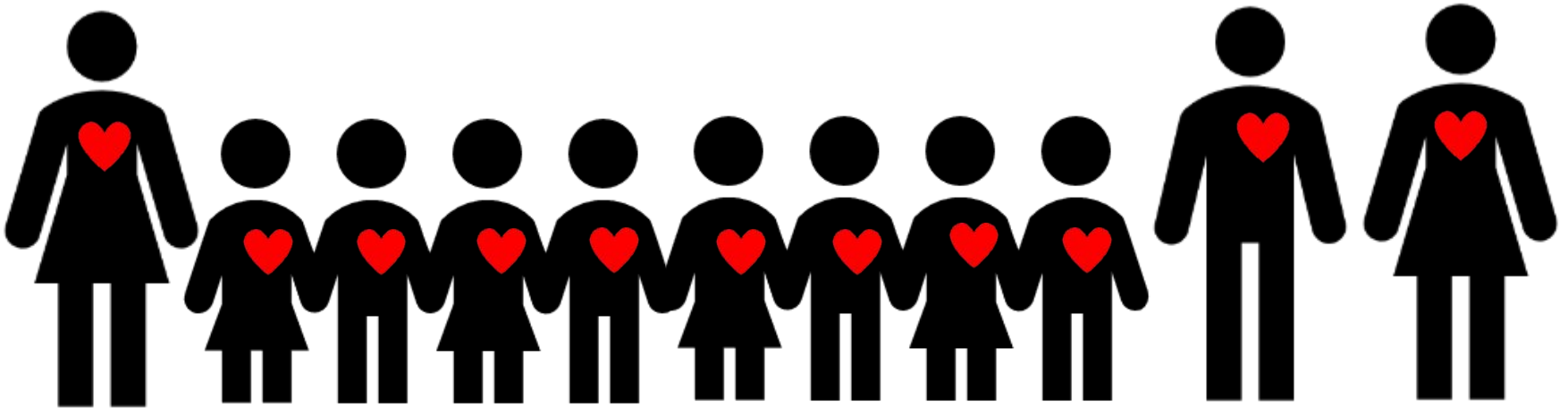
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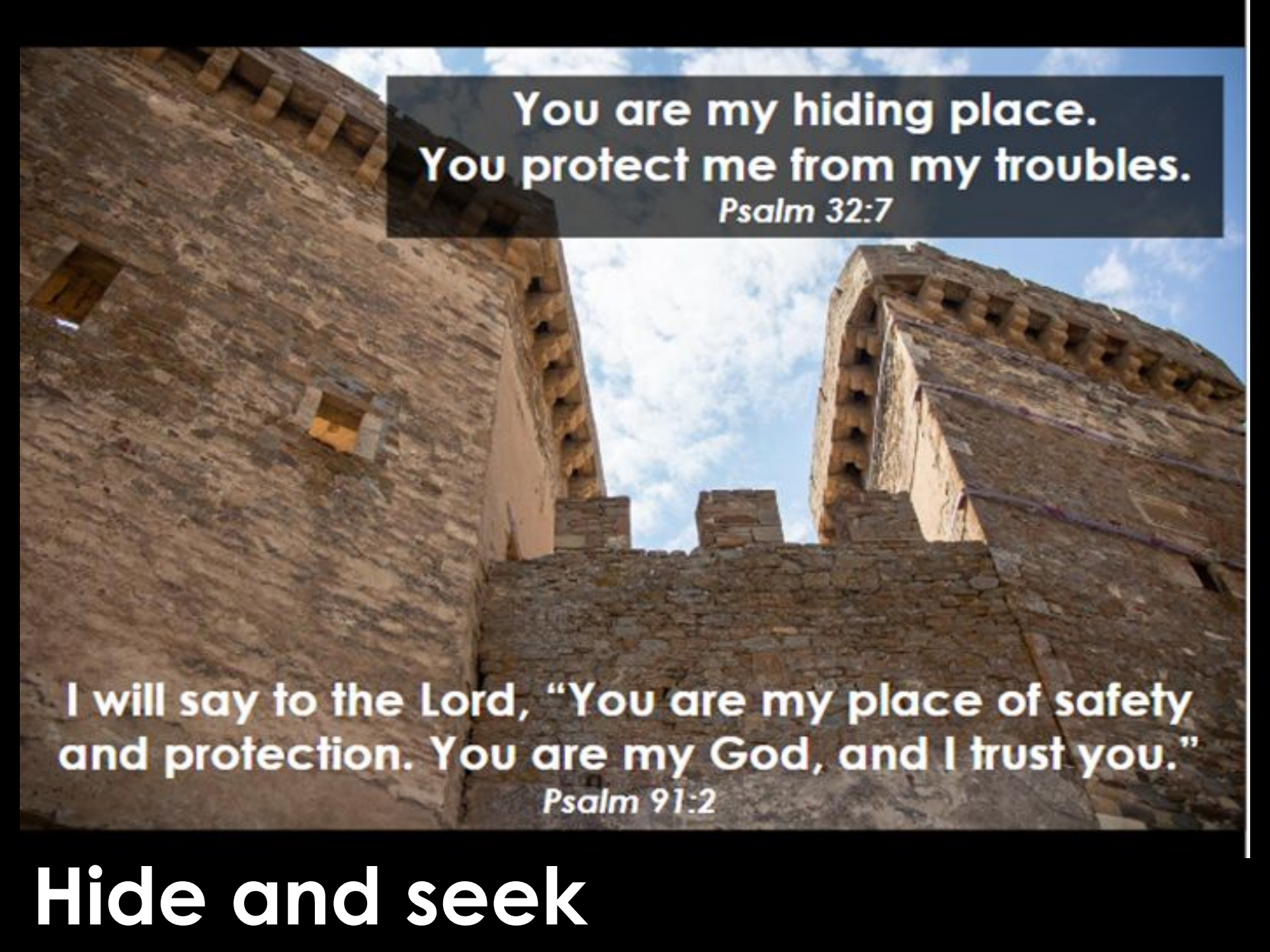
**ALL: ...we share our thoughts.**



**Leader:** As community together

**ALL: ...we serve one another.**





**You are my hiding place.  
You protect me from my troubles.**

*Psalm 32:7*

**I will say to the Lord, "You are my place of safety  
and protection. You are my God, and I trust you."**

*Psalm 91:2*

# Hide and seek



# Where do you feel safe?



# What makes you feel safe there?

# I feel safe when...





# Songs from the heart

Today's words come from across many of David's psalms about the beauty of the natural world. They show how David found God through his experience of nature. I wonder if any of you can identify with this?



**God stretches out the  
heavens like a tent.**

*(Psalm 104:2)*





**You are strong, O God, and your  
mighty power put the  
mountains in place.**

*(Psalm 65:6)*





**The Lord's voice is heard over the sea. The glorious  
God thunders. The Lord thunders over the great ocean.**  
*(Psalm 29:3)*



**I wonder what made you think as you heard the words and saw the children's ideas?**

**I wonder what might make you want to give thanks to God, or say 'Wow!'?.....**





Many people create spaces that help them to feel calm, where they can reflect and feel connected to the natural world.





I wonder what you would do  
here?  
I wonder how you would feel?





I wonder what things  
you would think about  
in a calm space like this?

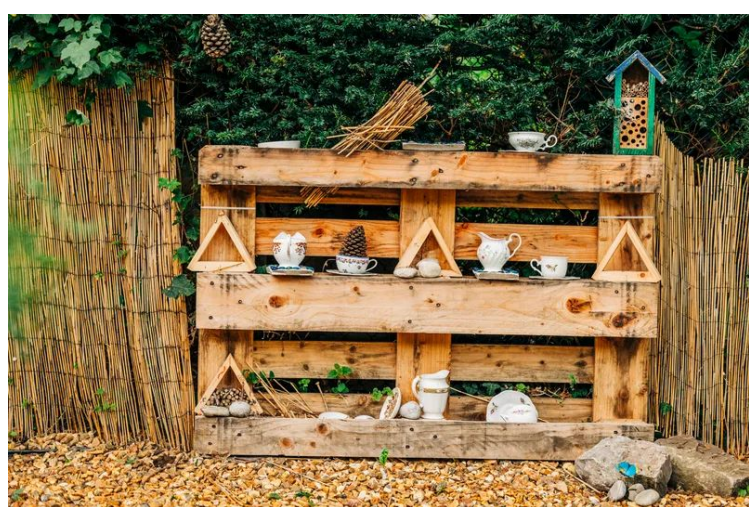






# Newburgh C of E Primary School

Our children have worked with experts and volunteers within our school community to design and create our Spiritual Garden. This space is now used for class worship, well-being and to enhance learning across the curriculum. Our Spiritual Leaders are also responsible for helping to maintain this wonderful outdoor space.





# Spiritual Garden



\* See  
\* Hear  
\* Feel  
\* Smell  
\* Taste

\* Respect  
\* Hope  
\* Trust  
\* Forgiveness  
\* Thankfulness  
\* Friendship

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to soften the  
spaces and keep  
the space low  
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How could St  
Mary's create  
their own spiritual  
garden?



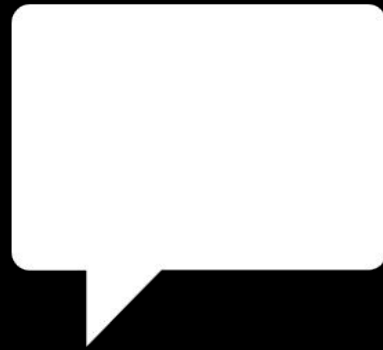
Take a moment to reflect on  
all that you love about the  
natural world and thank God  
for his creation.





Dear God, thank you for this beautiful planet we call our home. Bless it and keep it safe from harm. We pray for the protection of the animals, plants and natural places of wonder and beauty. May we care for all you have made.





***Leader:*** As we leave this place & time and go into the day ahead.

***All:*** May we serve one another in our thoughts and words and actions.

