**Sunday 26 February 2023, 8am All About Eve**

**With Amelia Koh-Butler**

Theme Trailers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-2OE6LRjOIA>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S5gIJx8XRXs>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h41_cgbAyZY>

Reading **Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7**

Then YHWH took the earth creature and settled it in the garden of Eden so that it might cultivate and care for the land. YHWH commanded the earth creature, “You may eat as much as you like from any of the trees of the garden—except the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. You must not eat from that tree, for on the day you eat from that tree, that is the day you will die—yes, die.”

But the snake was even more naked: the most cunning of all the animals that YHWH had made. The snake asked the woman, “Did God really tell you not to eat from the trees in the garden?” The woman answered the snake, “We may eat fruit from all the other trees in the garden. But of the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden, God said, ‘Don’t eat it and don’t touch it, or you will die.’” The snake said to the woman, “Die? You won’t die! God knows well that on the day that you eat it, your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil!” The woman knew that the tree was enticing to the eye, and now saw that the fruit was good to eat—that it was desirable for the knowledge it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to the man beside her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked. So they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

*Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible (p. 19). Sheed & Ward. Kindle Edition.*

Song Adam and Eve

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWHrOWAeAHs>

Song How do we know

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ujujKkQwtIQ>

In the myth we were told In the garden of old  
There was man, with a bride Dreaming innocence called life  
They woke up, took a fall  
Questioned the meaning of it all Is this it? Am I real?  
What happens in my dream?

From essence to existence

How do we know what we know? Is it real?

Man wakes up, takes a fall   
Questions the meaning of it all Is this it? Am I real?  
What the hell am I doing here?  
From essence to existence  
How do we know what we know? Is it real?

What is truth in this life?  
How do we know what's right? Is this real? Am I dreaming a lie?

Poem – Reflection **Eve** – AKB 2017

Mother of mothers, grandmother of all –

I will ever make the best apple sauce.  
Marketers beware, this sauce sells:

A hissing whisper gave me the recipe,  
So I pass it on to you, what I have been entrusted with –

Gifting nana’s finest treasure.  
  
Sexy matriarch, naïve seductress,

such are the images, my portraits depict.  
They do not show my talents and skills  
For I was chosen to tend a garden,

and oh, how that garden grows!  
Few imagine companion planting –

weaving creation’s luscious design.  
   
From those fronds I wove a garment when we were kicked out from our home.  
I copped the blame for Adam’s sin. His action, my shame…?  
What’s the matter with this picture –

Where he confesses my deceit, not his own?  
  
Alas, for my garden, hidden in legend, known in my memory, fading to dim.  
Alas, for its promise and its protection.

We miss the shelter of its delights.  
Now we’ve been opened to wider creation.

Now we must tend to a wondrous wild.  
Beyond the garden is land’s ancient dreaming.

Here the aunties and mothers come into their own.  
In every cave, in every bush dwelling, mothers will bring forth all human life.

Prayers

Song For everyone born <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akF3oWZoIXE>

Holy Communion

Blessing