
OPENING SONG *All God's Critters* (please see words on the back)
guitars: The Lauterwassers

WELCOME Rev. William Burhans

CALL TO WORSHIP Ben Pulaski

One: We gather here to worship our Creator, some of us worship in words, some of us worship with wags and barks.

All: Some praise with purrs and leisurely stretches, some with feathers, some with scales.

One: We gather here to open our eyes to God's image in all creation.

All: Together to find missing parts of ourselves, to be made whole.

One: Sitting on the earth, sheltered by the trees, accompanied by our pets, let us worship God.

HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* (see words on the back)

GATHERING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER Kathleen Zagata

Dear God, we have gathered here to bless and be blessed. Help us to see with your eyes, to recognize the reverence in our pets, the gesture of love and connection that binds us all together as your creatures. Hold us that we may sit before you vulnerable and authentic, yearning to remove the obstacles within that separate us from you. Receive us reconciled and reformed. Encourage us to boldness in the truth and limitless in our love. Hear us as we pray:

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

CALL TO OFFERING Rev. Judy Arnold

(Today's offering will be given to NEADS – an organization which provides specially trained dogs to deaf and disabled Americans.)

Offertory Anthem *What a Wonderful World* [1967]

Words & Music by George David Weiss/Bob Thiele

Arranged by René Clausen, 2004

Susan K. Navien and Peter Owens, soloist

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Will

SCRIPTURE Romans 7:15-25a Liturgist: Lela Shepherd

SERMON "Total Depravity – truth or consequences" Rev. Judy

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

You are invited to come by the center aisle to one of the two stations to receive a blessing and a blessing card for your pet and return by the side aisles.

CLOSING HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* (see words on back)

BENEDICTION Rev. Will

One: O God whose glory shines through the stars, fill our lives with your light.

All: O God whose glory is seen in every plant and creature, fill our lives with your love.

One: O God whose glory fills the earth, fill our lives with your strength.

All: O God, bless us, teach us to live in peace with you and the earth and all its creatures that your love may continue to seen among us and by us. AMEN

All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir

CHORUS: All God's critters got a place in the choir

Some sing low, some sing higher

Some sing out loud on the telephone wire

Some just clap their hands, or paws,

or anything they got now.

All Things Bright And Beautiful

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small,

All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that sings,

He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small,

All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

The purple-headed mountain, The river running by,

The sunset and the morning, That brightens up the sky;

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small,

All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer sun,

The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one;

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small,

All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, For the beauty of the skies,

For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies,

(Chorus) God of all, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,

Friends on earth, and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild,

(Chorus) God of all, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

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