

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Blessing of the Animals October 2, 2022

Greetings and Announcements

Hymn 405 (vv. 1 - 3) "All things bright and beautiful"

Royal Oak

Refrain 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. **Refrain** The purple-headed mountains, The river running by, The sunset and the morning That brightens up the sky. **Refrain** The cold wind in the winter,

The pleasant summer sun, The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them, every one. **Refrain**

Celebrant Together we pray.

PeopleMost high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce
gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis,
we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of
joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Genesis 2:19-20

So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them;

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field.

Lasst uns erfreuen

Hymn 400 (vv. 1 – 4) "All creatures of our God and King"

Refrain O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams, Refrain

Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft, O praise him, Alleluia! Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining, find a voice,

Refrain

Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia! Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light, **Refrain**

Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show: **Refrain**

Intercessions & Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Attributed to St. Francis

Celebrant Together we pray.

PeopleLord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Blessing of the Animals

At this time, the priests will come forward to bless your animals.

Hymn 405 continued

Refrain All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful: The Lord God made them all.

The tall trees in the greenwood, The meadows where we play, The rushes by the water, To gather every day. **Refrain**

Blessing and Dismissal

He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well. **Refrain**





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