

ST FRANCIS PET SERVICE

Sunday 1st October 2023 4.00pm

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

CROESO | WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome you to this service at your cathedral, which has been a site of Christian worship for over 900 years. We also welcome those who are joining us via the live-stream.

If you are joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself to a member of clergy, who will be happy to tell you more about worship in this place.

We are a Christian community, followers of Jesus.

We are an inclusive community, whatever your faith, or none, you are very welcome.

The cathedral is a place for everyone.

Everything you need to follow the service is in this booklet. Please join in the singing of the hymns, as well as the text printed in **Bold**.

The rubrics in this service indicating when to stand and sit are suggestions only.

Please follow them as you are able.

If you are more comfortable remaining seated throughout the service, please do so.

This service will be live streamed on our YouTube channel. If you are concerned about being visible on the live stream, please speak to a steward.

Please keep any animals on leads or in their carriers during this service.

DONATE

A collection will be taken after this service.

If you are a UK tax payer, please consider using the Gift-Aid envelopes, as this enables us to claim an extra 25% on each donation.

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Printed versions of this service sheet are available.

Please ask a steward for a copy. **Large print versions are also available.**

Please ensure that all electronic devices are set to silent mode.

We kindly request that you do not take photographs, or video or sound recording in the cathedral at any time during the service. You are welcome to take photographs at any other time.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Please stand as the Procession enters to sing:



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 colours, he made their tiny wings:

Refrain

The purple headed mountain, 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

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

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Music: ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

May God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who is wonderful in all his works, be with you all.

All And also with you.

God called us in the beginning to be stewards of his creation, caring for and nurturing the world he made. As we come to ask for God's blessing on our pets we first ask for forgiveness for the times we have not made the best use of his blessings and gifts. When we have forgotten you,

Creator forgive us,

All Creator forgive us.

When we take for granted the gifts you give, Creator forgive us,

All Creator forgive us.

When our love is selfish, Creator forgive us,

All Creator forgive us.

May the God of earth and heaven cleanse you of all sin and draw you to his wonderful light.

All Amen.

BIBLE READING

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1.24-27

PRAYER

O God, you have made us and all living things to form your family on earth. You are even more wonderful than what you have made. We thank you for giving us these pets who bring us joy. As you take care of us, may we take care of the creatures who trust us to look after them. By doing this, we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord.

All Amen.

THE STORY OF ST FRANCIS AND THE WOLF

THE PEACE

God gave our first parents the animals when creation lived in peace. We are called to be peacemakers – with each other and the whole of creation. In Christ's name we share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Tangnefedd yr Arglwydd a fo gyda chwi bob amser.

All And also with you.

A hefyd gyda thi.

We turn and shake hands with the people around us as a sign of peace.

THE BLESSING OF PETS

Creator God all things belong to you. We praise you for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. We thank you for our families and the happiness which our pets give us. Help us always to be good to them, so that they may be happy also.

All Amen.

The clergy will bless each pet around the church. Music is played during the blessings.

PRAYERS

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts; for the beauty of the earth and the wonder of creation, in earth and sky and sea;

All We thank you, Lord.

For all creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;

All We thank you, Lord.

For the trust you have shown in giving into our care these, our pets;

All We thank you, Lord.

For the work of Guide dogs for the Blind, RSPCA and all organisations which protect animals,

All We thank you, Lord.

That each pet here may be treasured with care;

All We pray to you, Lord.

That we may love and honour all your works, O God;

All We pray to you, Lord.

That we may continue to grow in thankfulness;

All We pray to you, Lord.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Eternal Father, we thank you for these creatures who live alongside us as our companions and friends; for their loyalty, love and trust which enrich our lives and give us joy. Teach us the value of kindness, the power of mercy, and the strength of gentleness; we ask this through Jesus Christ whose love gives life to us all. Amen.



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- All creatures of our God and King lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
 O praise him, Alleluia!
 Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice;
 O praise him, O praise him,
 Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest us both warmth and light:

 O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Words: based on Laudato sii, O me signore from St Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Sun Translated by William Henry Draper (1855-1933)

- 4. Dear mother earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way,

 O praise him, Alleluia!

 The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, let them his glory also show:

 O praise him, O praise him,
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 5. Let all things their Creator bless,
 and worship him in humbleness;
 O praise him, Alleluia!
 Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
 and praise the Spirit, Three in One;
 O praise him, O praise him,
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) using phrases from an Easter hymn in Geistliche Kirchengesäng Cologne (1623) May the God of all creation, who created the animals of this earth to support us, continue to protect and sustain us with the grace his blessing brings,

And the

blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

A ▶ bendith Duw hollalluog, y Tad, y Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân a fo yn eich plith ac a drigo gyda chwi yn wastad.

Amen.

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