October 1, 2023

Proper 21A

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 25: 1-9

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Leader: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

People: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Leader: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God

of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

People: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Leader: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

People: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Leader: He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

OPENING HYMN: "Let All Things Now Living" No. 22

*Unison Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer (debts)

Lord, we often forget in our busy-ness that you created so many things around us that we take for granted. Help us to recognize the holiness of their creation in your sight, that we might value their existence as much as our own, being thankful and grateful as your Son taught us by praying...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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but

deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

*GLORIA PATRI No. 734

Glory be to the Creator, and to the Christ: And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

READING OF THE WORD Gen 1:10-31

SERMON God Bless the Rest

MEDITATION HYMN: "For the Beauty of the Earth" **No. 40**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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OFFERTORY

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*Doxology No. 34

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: "All Creatures of Our God and King" No. 23

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

^{*}Please stand if you are able.



Thank you to our Guest Preacher Dr. Kathleen Silva.

The liturgist is Katie Wentworth.

The Greeters/Ushers this Sunday are Cynthia Smith and Kate White. This Sunday's flowers are given by Kate White in honor of loved ones.

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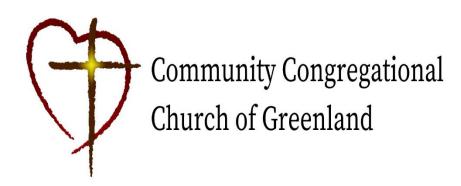
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GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WELCOME ALL
AND TO SERVE GOD, EACH OTHER, THIS COMMUNITY,
AND THE WORLD
IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST'S LOVE.

❖ ALL ARE WELCOME! ❖