



CHRIST CHURCH, DARTMOUTH
A People United in Justice and Love



**SEASON OF
CREATION**

Introit: A Place in the Choir

All God's critters got a place in the choir
Some sing low and some sing higher,
Some sing out loud on a telephone wire,
Some just clap their hands, or paws, or
anything they've got now.

(Instrumental)

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Listen to the top where the little bird sings
On the melodies with the high notes
ringing,
the hoot owl hollers over everything
And the jaybird disagrees

Singing in the night time, singing in the day,
When the little duck quacks, and he's on his
way

The possum ain't got much to say
And the porcupine talks to himself

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Jug band instrumental

Listen to the bass, it's the one on the
bottom

Where the bullfrog croaks and the
hippopotamus

Moans and groans with a big t'do

And the old cow just goes moo

The dogs and the cats they take up the
middle

While the honeybee hums and the cricket
fiddles,

The donkey brays and the pony neighs
And the old coyote howls.

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anything they've got now

(Instrumental)

It's a simple song of living sung everywhere
By the ox and the fox and the grizzly bear,
The grumpy alligator and the hawk above,
The sly raccoon and the turtle dove

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Some just clap their hands

**A Service of Holy Communion
4th Sunday of the Season of
Creation**

October 3rd 2021

10:00am

WHO WE ARE:

We are an affirming church, and we offer a warm welcome to people of all walks of life. This is a safe space for everyone as we are all created in the image of God.

We gratefully acknowledge that we are in the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

Our Vision Statement:

We are called to be a radically inclusive, just, and loving community that seeks to love our neighbour through prayer, worship, action, and advocacy.

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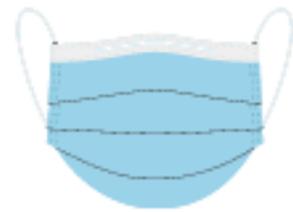


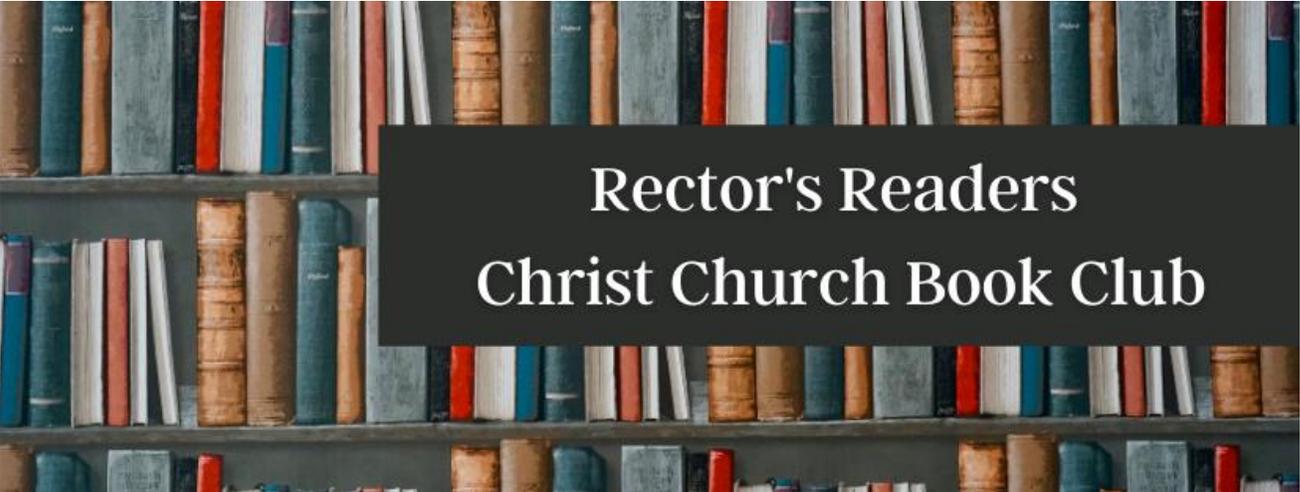
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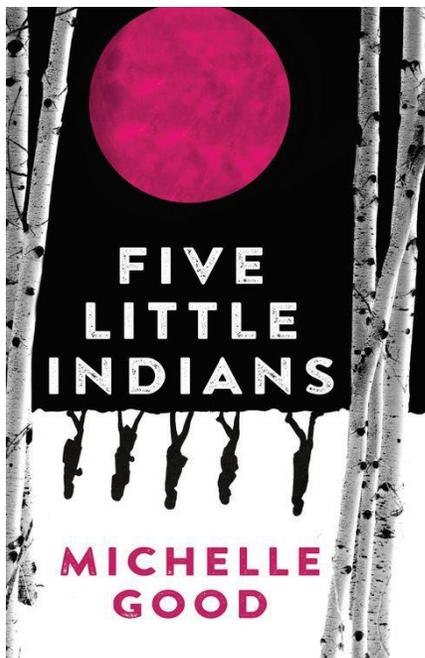
COVID UPDATE

Please Note: Registration for Sunday Services is no longer required.





Rector's Readers
Christ Church Book Club



October 14th 2:00pm in the
Parish Office

[Five Little Indians by Michelle
Good \(2020 by Harper
Perennial\)](#)



A time to celebrate and build up!

CONCERT SING-A-LONG

The Peter and Betty MacDonald Bursary

October 16, 2021 at 6:30pm

Christ Church, Dartmouth

*The Bursary in the name of Rev. Peter and Betty
MacDonald, recognizes their innovative approach to
church growth through inclusive worship experiences*

More details will be available shortly.



YOU'RE INVITED!

To a Screamin' Fun

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL OF MUSIC



Come and hear our Pipe Organ and listen to spooky, Halloween themed music! Dress up in your best costume and hear readings from classic tales of suspense!



CHRIST CHURCH | DARTMOUTH

OCTOBER 28th 7:00pm

PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUME!

50 Wentworth Street, **Dartmouth, NS**

(Site of the filming of Stephen King's **The Mist** (2017) from Netflix)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

All stand as able.

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with
you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant

We gather in the name of God,
Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of
the Earth and all its creatures!

People

**Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is
source and life, Creator of the
Universe, Source of all life,
whom the angels sing; wondrous
Light of all mysteries known or
unknown to humankind, and life
that lives in all!**

Hymn of Gathering: All are Welcome

Let us build a house
Where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where
Saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive

Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat
A banquet hall on holy ground
Where peace and justice meet

Here the love of God, through Jesus
Is revealed in time and space
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and
claimed
As words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor and
rafter;

All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place

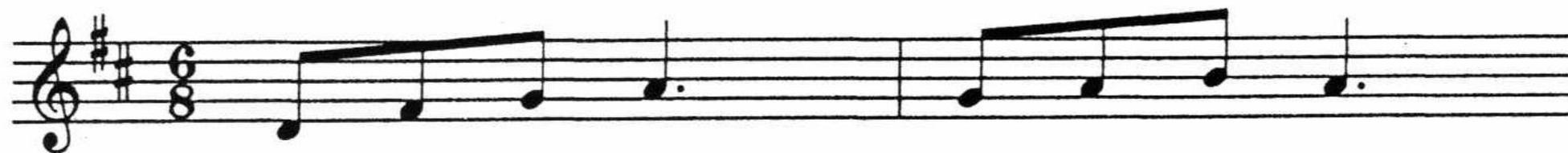
Kyrie *(said together)*

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

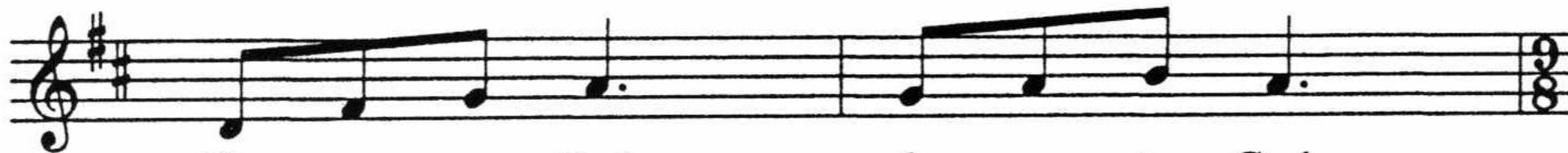
Glory to God *(sung together)*



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,



glo - ry to God in the high - est heav - en.

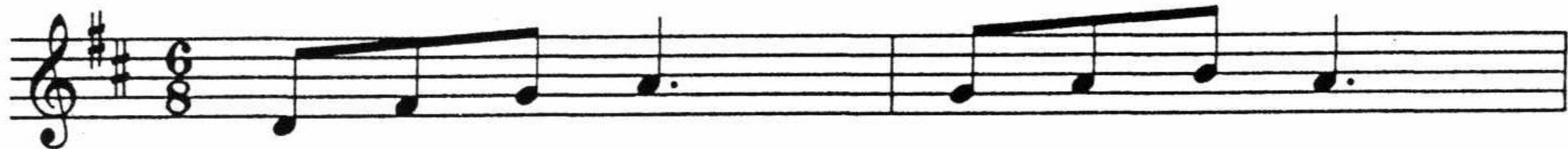


Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,



peace to God's peo-ple, God's peo-ple on earth.

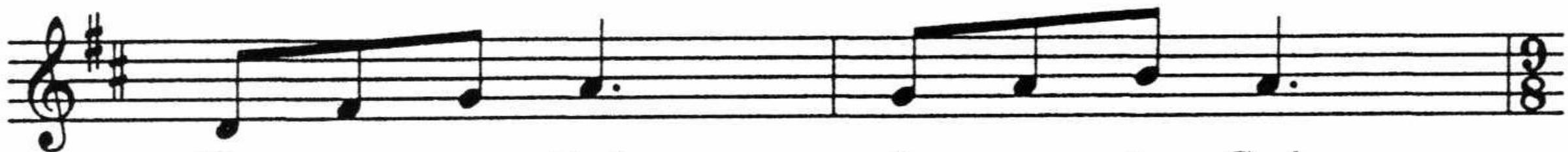
**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty
God and Father, we worship you we
give you thanks, we praise you for
your glory.**



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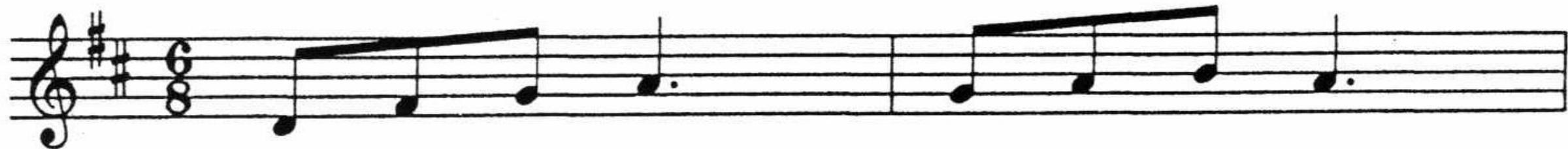
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peace to God's peo-ple, God's peo-ple on earth.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world:**

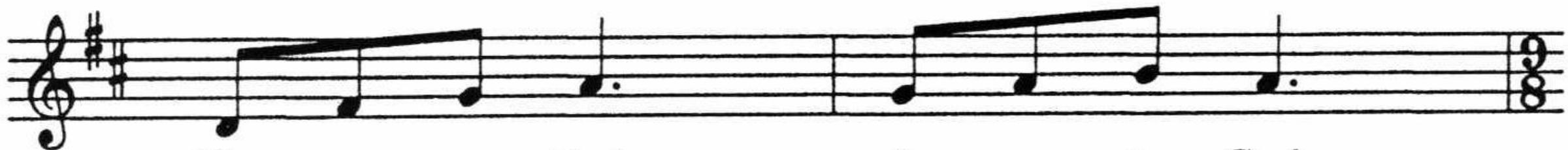
**have mercy on us; you are seated at
the right hand of the Father receive
our prayer.**



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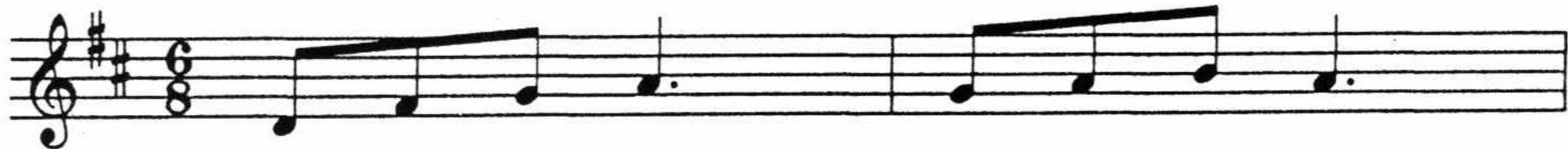


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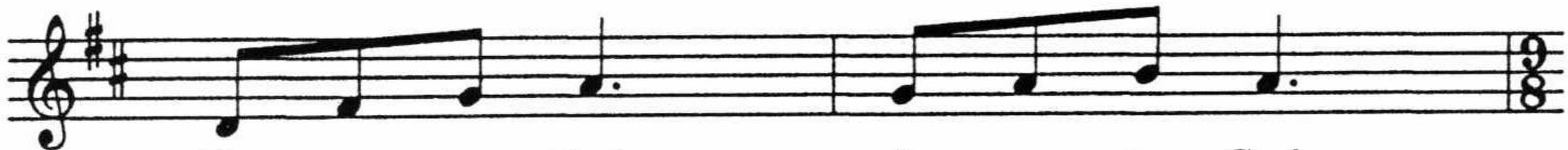
**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the
Holy Spirit, in the glory, the glory,
the glory of God the Father.**



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glo - ry to God in the high - est heav - en.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,



peace to God's peo-ple, God's peo-ple on earth.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of life in all its diversity and beauty; renew us in discipleship and in love for the earth, this we ask through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

(The congregation is seated for the lessons.)

First Reading:

Genesis 1: 20-31

Psalm 104: 14-24 *(The Psalm is said responsively)*

You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use, to bring forth food from the earth,

and wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine, and bread to strengthen the human heart.

The trees of the Lord are watered abundantly,
the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.

**In them the birds build their nests; the stork has
its home in the fir trees.**

The high mountains are for the wild goats; the
rocks are a refuge for the coney.

You have made the moon to mark the seasons; the sun knows its time for setting.

You make darkness, and it is night, when all the animals of the forest come creeping out.

The young lions roar for their prey, seeking their food from God.

When the sun rises, they withdraw and lie down in their dens.

People go out to their work and to their labor until the evening.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Second Reading:
Colossians 1:15-23a**

Gospel Acclamation *(sung together)*



Al - le - lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

The first staff of music is in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It begins with a 9/8 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note on G4, followed by an eighth note on A4, and then a half note on B4. A slur covers the next four notes: a quarter note on C5, an eighth note on D5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on F#5. This is followed by a quarter note on G5, a quarter note on F#5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on D5.



lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

The second staff continues the melody. It starts with a quarter note on C5, an eighth note on D5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on F#5. A slur covers the next four notes: a quarter note on G5, a quarter note on F#5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on D5. The time signature changes to 12/8. The melody then has a quarter note on C5, a quarter note on D5, and a quarter note on E5. A slur covers the next two notes: a quarter note on F#5 and a quarter note on G5. The staff ends with a 9/8 time signature, a quarter note on F#5, and a quarter note on E5.



lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

The third staff continues the melody. It starts with a quarter note on C5, an eighth note on D5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on F#5. A slur covers the next four notes: a quarter note on G5, a quarter note on F#5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on D5. This is followed by a quarter note on C5, a quarter note on D5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on F#5.



lu - ia!

The fourth staff concludes the piece. It starts with a quarter note on C5, an eighth note on D5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on F#5. A slur covers the next four notes: a quarter note on G5, a quarter note on F#5, a quarter note on E5, and a quarter note on D5. The staff ends with a quarter note on C5 and a quarter note on D5.

You will shine like bright stars for all the world to see. Offering to the world the word of life, the gift of majesty.

Al - le - lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia!

The Holy Gospel: John 21: 4-14

Reader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,

People: The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Al - le - lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia!

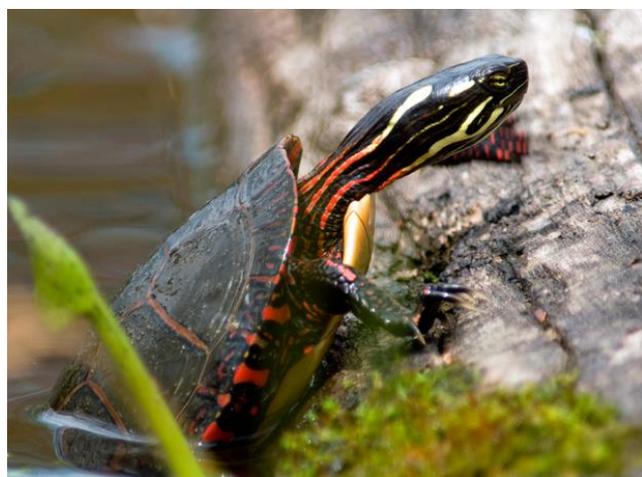
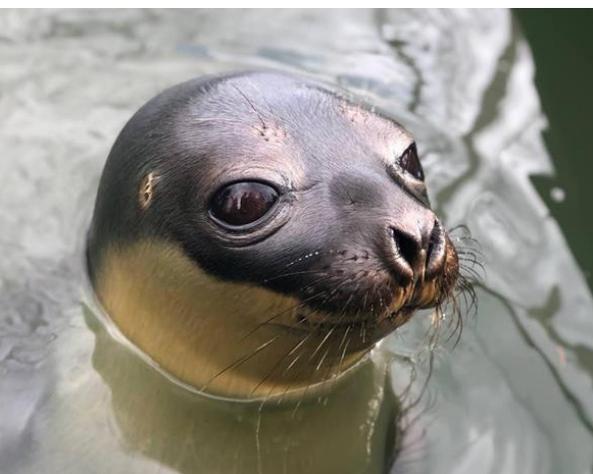
Reflection: George Ryan



HOPE

for  WILDLIFE





THE NUMBERS

6,000
ANIMALS/YR

20,000
CALLS/YR

24
YEARS
OLD

100
VOLUNTEERS

250
SPECIES

60,000
0
ANIMALS

Hope for Wildlife aims to connect
people to wildlife in a positive way
through knowledge and

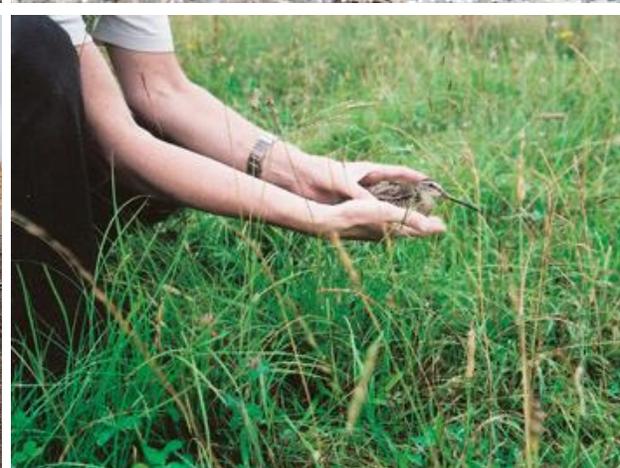
Welcome to
**THE FENTON
FARMHOUSE**

















BECAUSE THEY MATTER

At this point, weekly prayer petitions for members of our parish, etc. can be said.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

*At this time, please come forward
with your pet for a blessing*

Collect for St. Francis of Assisi

Grant us, Almighty God, after the example of your holy servant Francis, to do what you would have us do, and always to desire what is pleasing in your sight, that cleansed by your love, enlightened by your truth, and kindled with the fire of your Holy Spirit, we may follow in the footsteps of your beloved Son and make our way to you, O God most High; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. All Amen.

Confession and Absolution (*please stand as you are able*)

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution), and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites

them to his table.

Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: **we confess that we have sinned against
you in thought, word, and deed, by
what we have done, and by what we
have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace *(stand as you are able)*

*The passing of the peace is an ancient practice for Christians.
Please acknowledge your neighbour with no physical contact.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always
with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Hymn of Offering:
Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou the Godhead's human son,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honour,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer
who makes the troubled heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty,
Heavenly and earthly,
Wondrously, Jesus , is found in thee;
None can be nearer, fairer or dearer,
Then thou , my Saviour, art to me.

Prayer over the Gifts

**Holy God, gracious and merciful,
you bring forth food from the earth and nourish
your whole creation.**

**Turn our hearts toward those
who hunger in any way,
so that all may know your care;
and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer for Season of Creation, South Africa)

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God**

Celebrant **Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God of
all of Creation**

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant

You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth, all things, came to be.

Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms innumerable, including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its inhabitants.

As our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you. As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the warmth of your love. Through you all things are brought to new life. And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care, and for the opportunities we have to share that richness with all your people.

And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now and for ever singing:

Holy, Holy (*sung together*)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and



might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -



san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na,



ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -



san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

In the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God.

He broke the bread to speak to us of the breaking of his body upon the cross.

He gave it to his friends and said:

Take and eat, for this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

He took the wine,

work of human hands, gift of our earth,
and gave thanks to God, Creator.

He poured out the wine to speak to us of the pouring out of his blood. He gave it to his friends saying: **This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me.**

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again.

Therefore God, we who seek your
reconciliation; we who need reconciliation one
with another; we who hope for reconciliation
with all creation, draw close to this mystery.
In being broken, spilt and buried, life sprang
forth again. In the breaking, there is an
opening up;

in the spilling, there are the roots of sharing;
in death and burial, there is the seed of the
new life to come.

As we look in our world, in our lives, and in our
hearts, for his second coming, keep us close to
this vision that we have seen.

Through the giving in the bread and wine,

reconcile us to our world and give us the broken oneness, the split unity, and the buried resurrection by which we can restore your creation and fulfil your will.

Send upon us, and upon all your creation, the life giving Spirit who first moved upon the waters of the deep.

Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive. Unite us with you through the body and blood of your Son, your Word made flesh as your Word has made flesh.

By whom, and with whom and in whom,

in the unity of your Creative Spirit,
with all that has been, is, and will be in your
universe, we stand before you and worship
you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise,

Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer- *The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa*

Celebrant: We pray our common prayer that Christ taught us.

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that
is love, now and for ever.**

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Creator of all,
you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered
and made into this one bread.

All: **So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.**

Lamb of God *(sung together)*

*Cantor, All repeat
a tempo*

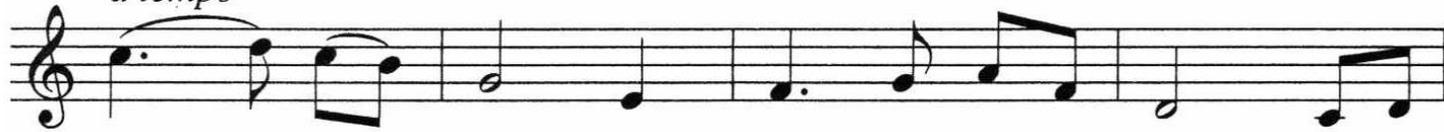


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the



world: have mer - cy on us.

a tempo



Lamb of God you take a - way the sins of the



world: grant us your peace.



Grant us your peace.

The Communion:

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Hymn:
Prayer of St. Francis

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your
love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring
hope.

Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand.
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All:

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Episcopal Church, Book of Common Prayer

The Doxology:

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: **Whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to
generation, in the Church and in Christ
Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing:

May God who established the dance of creation,
Who marvelled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church To
reflect God's glory in creation,
And may God bless+ you in the name of the
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, this day and
evermore, Amen.

Hymn of Sending Forth:
All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain:

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

Each radiant flow'r that opens,
each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings.

Refrain:

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,
God made them, ev'ry one.

Refrain:

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

The rocky mountain splendour,
the loons wild, haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
The forest in the fall.

Refrain:

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

God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is the Creator,
who has made all things well

Refrain:

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

Dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth in the Name of the
Lord

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude:
A Place in the Choir

All God's critters got a place in the choir
Some sing low and some sing higher,
Some sing out loud on a telephone
wire,
Some just clap their hands, or paws, or
anything they've got now

Listen to the top where the little bird sings
On the melodies with the high notes
ringing,
the hoot owl hollers over everything
And the jaybird disagrees

Singing in the night time, singing in the day,
When the little duck quacks, and he's on his
way

The possum ain't got much to say
And the porcupine talks to himself

All God's critters got a place in the choir
Some sing low and some sing higher,
Some sing out loud on a telephone wire,
Some just clap their hands, or paws, or
anything they've got now

Jug band instrumental

Listen to the bass, it's the one on the
bottom

Where the bullfrog croaks and the
hippopotamus

Moans and groans with a big t'do

And the old cow just goes moo

The dogs and the cats they take up the
middle

While the honeybee hums and the cricket
fiddles,

The donkey brays and the pony neighs
And the old coyote howls.

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(Instrumental)

It's a simple song of living sung everywhere
By the ox and the fox and the grizzly bear,
The grumpy alligator and the hawk above,
The sly raccoon and the turtle dove

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Church Officers

We are all ministers and leaders through our Baptism

Rector: The Rev. Dr. Kyle Wagner

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