

EDGEWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Cranston, RI

10:00 AM

October 16, 2022

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome! We invite you into a time of preparation for worship. We invite you to unplug, turn off your phones, unwind from the past week, and focus your hearts on God's presence within, around, and between us all.

Words of Welcome & Announcements

L: God is present. L: Everywhere, all the time.

C: All the time, everywhere. C: God is present.

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 148:1,3,9,10,12,13a

L: Praise God from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

C: Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, all you shining stars.

L: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

C: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

All: Let them praise the name of God.

Invocation

***Hymn**

"Morning Has Broken"

1. Morn-ing has bro-ken like the first morn-ing,
black-bird has spo-ken like the first bird.

Praise for the sing-ing! Praise for the morn-ing!
Praise for them, spring-ing, fresh from the Word.

2. Sweet the rain's new fall sun-lit from heav-en,
like the first dew-fall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet gar-den,
sprung in com-plete-ness where God's feet pass.

3. Mine is the sun-light! Mine is the morn-ing
born of the one light E-den saw play!

Praise with e-la-tion, praise ev-ery morn-ing,
God's re-cre-a-tion of the new day!

Question(s) for Reflection

"If you have men who exclude any of God's creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity, you will have men who will deal likewise with their fellow men."
- St. Francis of Assisi

How do I treat God's creation, especially the creatures of the earth?

What keeps me from treating those persons seeking shelter with the same love and compassion I give my pets?

Silence

Assurance of Blessing

Scripture

Genesis 9:8-13

Blessing the Animals

Intercessory Prayer / The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, bless these gifts and the givers that all might carry forward the ministry you intend here in this church and community, and wherever there is a need on the face of the earth. Amen.

***Hymn**

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Refrain: All things bright and beau-ti-ful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and won-der-ful, our dear God made them all.

1. Each lit-tle flower that o-pens, each lit-tle bird that sings,
God made their glow-ing col-ors, and made their ti-ny wings.

Refrain

2. The pur-ple-head-ed moun-tain, the riv-er run-ning by,
the sun-set, and the morn-ing that bright-ens up the sky.

Refrain

3. The cold wind in the win-ter, the pleas-ant sum-mer sun,
the ripe fruits in the gar-den, God made them ev-ery one

Refrain

The Take Home

“The more I learn about people, the more I like my dog.” - *Mark Twain*

Benediction / Sung Response “Go, My Children” (tune: #82)

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone;

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;

In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever,

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

Postlude

Please keep **Cay Browne, Joe DiCiccio, Nancy Soukup, Ricky Brightman,**
and **Roman Crispi** in your prayers.

This month’s Mission Focus is our annual Neighbors in Need all-church
offering. Envelopes can be found on the tables at the front and back of
the sanctuary.

The pet food and treats you have brought will be given to Defender of
Animals.

Sunday, October 30, in worship we will reflect on Halloween and the
Reformation. Coming in costume is strongly encouraged. :>)

Be sure to visit us on the web: <http://edgewoodchurchri.org>

Or on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Edgewood-Congregational-Church-Renewed-871032246620940/>

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Blessing of the Animals



**Some people talk to animals.
Not many listen though.
That’s the problem.**

- A.A. Milne

**No matter who you are or
where you are on life’s journey,
you’re welcome here.**

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