

## Worship Resources for Water and Environmental Stewardship

### Creation Hymns

All Creatures of our God and King (Hymnal, pg. 400)  
All Things Bright and Beautiful (Hymnal, pg. 405)  
Earth and All Stars (Hymnal, pg. 412)  
The Spacious Firmament on High (Hymnal, pg. 409)  
Morning Has Broken (Hymnal, pg. 8)  
Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him (Hymnal, pg. 373)  
Immortal, Invisible, God only Mine (Hymnal, pg. 423)  
Joyful, Joyful, We adore Thee (Hymnal, pg. 376)

### Prayers of the People – from Earth Ministry (www.earthministry.org) (From St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Medina, Washington.)

We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying

**We thank you, God.**

For the healing waters of creation, which bring pleasure and health, purity and life,

**We thank you, God.**

For the richness of the good Earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, a pleasure to taste and a joy to behold,

**We thank you, God.**

For the soaring birds of the air, the crawling creatures on the Earth, the gliding fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life,

**We thank you, God.**

For the invigorating sunlight of day, the deepening mystery of night, the wonder of the stars, and the call of the unknown in the universe,

**We thank you, God.**

From heedless misuse and dishonoring of the wonders of your hand,

**Good Lord deliver us.**

From squandering resources, abusing our companion species, and polluting the habitat we all share,

**Good Lord deliver us.**

From the folly of imagining ourselves free from the fate of your whole creation,

**Good Lord deliver us.**

For the courage and wisdom to confess how little we have cared for your gifts,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the Earth,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship anew,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever, **Amen.**

### **Liturgies**

See (<http://www.churchworldservice.org/worship-resources/worship-water.html>) for an entire liturgy focused on water. This is part of the Church World Service “Water for All Campaign”

See also Episcopal Ecological Network ([www.eenonline.org](http://www.eenonline.org)) and follow the links to Reflections. You will find additional resources. This site is still a work in progress, but contains many valuable resources.

**The Book of Common Prayer** contains rich resources for worship which focus on Care of Creation. Particularly the Rogation Day Readings and Prayers, along with Prayers and Collects on the Natural Order offer possibilities for meaningful worship and reflection.