

ALBERTSON MEMORIAL CHURCH OF SPIRITUALISM

OLD GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

Sunday ≈ October 11th, 2009 ≈ 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
Blessing of the Animals

MINISTER: Rev. Simeon Stefanidakis
MUSICIAN: Teresa Vicario



Flowers are donated by Bobby Kitsios
in memory of Princess.



"If one person is unkind to an animal, it is considered to be cruelty, but where a lot of people are unkind to animals, especially in the name of commerce, the cruelty is condoned and, once sums of money are at stake, will be defended to the last by otherwise intelligent people."

Ruth Harrison, Animal Machines

Opening Hymn: No. 27 ≈ "All Things Bright and Beautiful"



Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

Declaration of Principles (Inside front cover of Hymnal)

Hymn: No. 142 ≈ "Prayer of St. Francis"

Sermon: "The Heart of Our Animal Companions"

Healing Hymn: No. 106



Healing Prayer For Animals (Back of Program)

Blessing of the Animals

Offering: "I give freely in love, that others may be blessed."

ANNOUNCEMENTS (SEE WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFO)



This morning offering will be donated to two animal rights charities: *The Human Society of the United States Animals and Religion Department* and *Equine Advocates*.

Special thanks are extended to Doreen LaVista and her husband, Scott Peterson, for the donation of *Trooper Treats*, delicious treats which they make and sell at festivals and fairs.

Pet Pantry, of Greenwich, has donated goodies for the animals.

During coffee hour there will be DVD showings from *Equine Advocates* and *HSUS*.



UPCOMING EVENTS AT ALBERTSON:

October 15th: **Journey of Soul: The Wonder of Incarnation.** 7:30 PM.

October 16th: **Evening of Trance Mediumship.** 7:30 PM.

October 24th: **Gong Concert with Carl Davis.** 7:00 PM.

HEALING PRAYERS If you would like to be included in the healing prayers, please enter your name in our Healing Book, located at the back of the Sanctuary. You may also submit a healing request on the Church web site.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship hour after church service.

Hymn: No. 113 ≈ "Come, Thou All Transforming Spirit"

A Time of Witnessing

Doxology ≈ "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Benediction ≈ Musical Postlude



Sunday - October 18th - Rev. Simeon Stefanidakis

Words to Consider: "It ill becomes us to invoke in our daily prayers the blessings of God, the Compassionate, if we in turn will not practice elementary compassion towards our fellow creatures."

Mohandas Gandhi