

God is love for all Creation

(for the days/Sunday of All Creatures, Souls and Saints)

Meter: 8787D eg Abbot's Leigh, Hyfrydol, and many many more in the metrical index of most hymnbooks

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God is love for every creature.
God whose image our kind bear
And the church called to be teacher
And practitioner of care
List'ning for prophetic voices
Of the Earth, the poor, the sky
Interweaving, ever cycling
Though a mystery, love is why.

God sustains, remakes all living;
Gives humanity as gift:
Tilling, keeping: we are medicine:
We, Earth's blessing, spoiled by grift;
Jesus teaches: "love your neighbour
recognised where need is met"
Sky and soil and sea and stones, though
sore abused, teach justice yet.

So attend to all the lessons:
all the loving warnings given:
Cries of Sky and Sea and creatures,
from the Tree where nails are driv'n.
Faithfulness requires repentance:
transformation of our heart.
Injuries to Earth make urgent
healing: listen: today we start!

