

Resolution D016: Topic/Title: Stewardship: The Protection of Animals from Cruel Treatment

http://www.episcopalchurch.org/19021_40452_ENG_HTML.htm

Text of the resolution adopted by the Episcopal Church's General Convention in 2003.

Episcopal Network for Animal Welfare (ENAW)

<http://www.enaw.org>

Our Mission is to create an inclusive and mutually-supportive venue for Episcopal animal advocates with a variety of interests and gifts; and to offer our presence, passion, enthusiasm and resources to help equip the churches to give meaningful voice to every creature under Heaven, especially where neglect, cruelty, degradation and commercial exploitation are concerned.

Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals (ASWA)

<http://www.aswa.org.uk/>

The Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals is a UK-based Christian organisation. Our main aim is to raise awareness of animal welfare issues within the Anglican Church and the wider Christian community. We are ecumenical and welcome all Christian denominations as members and supporters.

Religion and Consideration of Animals

<http://members.iinet.net.au/~rabbit/churchan.htm>

Offers links to web sites that present various religions' views on animals, including Islam and Buddhism.

Episcoveg (Highly recommended site!)

<http://episcoveg.weblogger.com/>

This website is a "clearinghouse" for ideas, articles, books, news, reflections, quotes, and links related to the plight, and the care of animals, primarily from a Christian perspective. We seek to support and help one another in the effort to widen the circle of compassion of Anglican/Episcopalians to include all living beings, believing that this is the best way to respond to our Lord's prayer, that God's 'will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.'

All Creation Liberation

<http://all-creation.franciscan-anglican.com/>

Reflections on Animal Rights by a Franciscan Episcopal Priest.

The Episcopal Ecological Network—Caring for God's Creation: Called to be Stewards

<http://eenonline.org/>

A nationwide network within the Episcopal Church USA that coordinates with the Peace and Justice Ministries Office of the Episcopal Church USA. As such we are part of the worldwide Anglican Communion and find our roots in the Celtic Spirituality of this tradition. The EEN includes all concerned Episcopalians who are helping our Church assume a leadership role in the worldwide environmental movement, just as our Church leads in other peace and justice issues.

Friends Committee for Animal Liberation (Religious Society of Friends-Quakers)

<http://www.peacebuilding.info/fcal/>

Encouraging responsible stewardship as Christ's ambassadors for the reconciliation of all Creation.

Christ Loves Creatures, Too!

<http://www.all-creatures.org/clct/index.html>

Promotes biblically based Christian compassion and stewardship toward God's animal creation through Bible studies, lectures, articles and animal rights advocacy; promotes and supports activities of organizations with a heart for animals so those involved may come to know the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

Christian Vegetarian Association

<http://www.christianveg.com/>

Encouraging responsible stewardship of God's Creation.

All-creatures.org

<http://www.all-creatures.org/>

Through unconditional love and compassion we can change the world. (Extensive list of articles, sermons, literature, art, prayers and links.)

The Catholic Study Circle for Animal Welfare

<http://www.catholic-animals.org/>

The Circle exists to influence society world-wide into becoming more compassionate towards the animal creation and more aware of the inter-relatedness of all creatures under God. We research and disseminate authentic teachings of the Catholic Tradition and of other religious beliefs to help bring about a way of living in accordance with the Creator's design. We support and encourage those working towards these aims.

Mercy International

<http://www.all-creatures.org/mi/index.html>

Proclaiming God's Dominion of Love in All Creation

AMEN

<http://liturgy.diocesenys.org/docs/AMEN200409.htm>

A publication of the Liturgical Commission of the Diocese of New York.

Recovering our Kinship with Animals (*The Witness* Episcopal Magazine, September 2002 issue)

<http://www.thewitness.org/archive/sept2002/>

Religion and Animal Rights (Animal Protection Institute)

<http://www.api4animals.org/index.php>

Sensible Creatures: Christian Promotion of Animal Welfare

<http://www.web.net/sensiblecreatures/creatures.html>

Sensible Creatures, an informal group of Anglicans with animal concerns, seeks support for its Statement of Purpose overleaf. We believe most ordinary people favour treating animals well, certainly without cruelty. But we suspect that people might not fully know that some common Canadian practices in the raising and handling of animals -- by far the greatest number of whom are food animals -- fall short of standards they would prefer

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