Dear Animal Shelter

I wonder if you or any of your helpers would be able to join us for our annual Pet Service at

. . . . . Church, . . . . . on Sunday, 12 October, at 2pm and will include an animal Blessing. You are very welcome to display leaflets and information at the back of church about animals in need of re-homing, as I will be encouraging people to seriously consider providing a home for a rescue animal. All are welcome, with or without animals. Smaller animals should be in carrying boxes, and dogs should be on leads.

There is a serious side to this event in that modern human lifestyle places at risk the well-being of God’s animal Creation. There has been concern that churches seem to be silent on the subject of animal welfare. It is, therefore, very important to emphasise that animals are God’s creatures, which He made, Blessed, and saw as very good – they are not a trivial matter. Consideration for animals is entirely scriptural, and we have a responsibility to care for them.  
      
This service aims to express the view that cruelty of any kind is incompatible with Christ’s teachings of love, that love is indivisible, and that cruelty towards any sentient creature is a breach of love. The pets brought into church will also represent the many animals who are not loved and cared for by humans. We will be remembering in prayer those animals suffering commercial and social exploitation.  
  
We look forward to seeing you if you can make it. Many thanks.  
  
For more details, please contact me on . . . . . or email . . . . .   
   
Kind regards   
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