God created human beings and said, “I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all animals. I have provided all kinds of grain and fruit for you to eat, but for the animals and birds I have provided grass and leafy plants for food.” God looked at all he had done and was very pleased.

*May the glory of the Lord endure forever as we rejoice and give thanks for all His works.*

You make springs gush forth in the valleys giving drink to animals and people. You make the earth rich and fertile.

*Help us wisely care for the land and not pollute or waste our precious water supplies.*

You cause grass to grow for cattle and plants for people to use, to bring forth food from the earth and bread to strengthen the human body.

*Soften our hearts, O God, so all your children will be fed with your abundance and our ridiculous generosity. May we respect our neighbors and the environment that God has so lovingly given to us.*

What a rich harvest your goodness provides! Wherever you go there is plenty.

*Our prayer is to be good stewards of all your Creation as we lovingly care for the earth and all its resources.*

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance revealed.

*May we pursue justice for all Creation through active participation, solidarity, sufficiency, and sustainability as we act, learn, and worship together.*

The world and all that is in it belongs to the Lord; the earth and all who live on it are his.

*We pray for wisdom and knowledge to protect and preserve your Creation. May we learn to reuse, renew, and recycle our God-given resources to keep our planet clean and its inhabitants well-fed, safe, and healthy in body, mind and spirit.*

And Jesus told them, “I am the bread of life. They who come to me will never be hungry; they who believe in me will never be thirsty.”

*Even as we care for your Creation and your children’s physical needs, heavenly Father, may we never neglect caring for the spiritual needs of one another. Help us always to share the good news of Jesus’ death, resurrection, and promise of eternal life. We pray in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

Based on Genesis 1, Psalms 24, 65, 104, John 6:35, and EarthKeepers Mission Statement