

The Feast of St Francis of Assisi

October 8, 2017, 10:00 am



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The Word of God

Prelude

Simple Gift

Arr. Joseph M Martin

Preludio, BWV 858

J. S. Bach

We hope you enjoy our piano-led worship while our beautiful church organ undergoes restoration and repair.

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Processional Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

Hymnal #400 vv 1-4 & 7

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Nehemiah 2:1-8

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Nehemiah.

In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was served to him, I carried the wine and gave it to the king. Now, I had never been sad in his presence before. So the king said to me, 'Why is your face sad, since you are not sick? This can only be sadness of the heart.' Then I was very much afraid. I said to the king, 'May the king live for ever! Why should my face not be sad, when the city, the place of my ancestors' graves, lies waste, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?' Then the king said to me, 'What do you request?' So I prayed to the God of heaven. Then I said to the king, 'If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favour with you,

I ask that you send me to Judah, to the city of my ancestors' graves, so that I may rebuild it.' The king said to me (the queen also was sitting beside him), 'How long will you be gone, and when will you return?' So it pleased the king to send me, and I set him a date. Then I said to the king, 'If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may grant me passage until I arrive in Judah; and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, directing him to give me timber to make beams for the gates of the temple fortress, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy.' And the king granted me what I asked, for the gracious hand of my God was upon me.

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship, and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

Deacon/Preacher: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

Celebrant: The Rev. Peter Huang

Please remain seated, and join in singing,
The Response

Psalm 148

AZMON

Hal - le - lu - jah! Give praise to God from heav'n and in the
Praise him, high heav'ns and floods a - bove, let them all praise his
He gave them be - ing, they stand fast in his e - ter - nal
All kings and peo - ples of the earth, princ - es and rul - ers,
His splen - dor spans all earth and heav'n; all those who come to

5 heights. Praise him all an - gels, sun and moon, praise him all shin - ing lights.
name; for he com - mand - ed by his word, he spoke and forth they came.
sway; the Lord has giv - en them a law which shall not pass a - way.
5 too; young men and maid - ens, old and young, to him all praise is due.
dwell with him re - ceive both strength and praise: his peo - ple Is - ra - el.

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The Second Lesson

The Canticle of the Sun

St Francis of Assisi

Most High, all-powerful, all-good Lord, All praise is Yours, all glory, all honor and all blessings.
To you alone, Most High, do they belong, and no mortal lips are worthy to pronounce Your Name.
Praised be You my Lord with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun,
Who is the day through whom You give us light.
And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendor, Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars, In the heavens you have made them bright,
precious and fair.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, And fair and stormy, all weather's moods,
by which You cherish all that You have made.
Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water, So useful, humble, precious and pure.
Praised be You my Lord through Brother Fire,
through whom You light the night and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.
Praised be You my Lord through our Sister, Mother Earth who sustains and governs us,
producing varied fruits with colored flowers and herbs.
Praise be You my Lord through those who grant pardon for love of You and bear sickness and trial.
Blessed are those who endure in peace, By You Most High, they will be crowned.
Praised be You, my Lord through Sister Death, from whom no-one living can escape.
Woe to those who die in mortal sin! Blessed are they She finds doing Your Will.
No second death can do them harm. Praise and bless my Lord and give Him thanks,
And serve Him with great humility.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND, as able, and join in singing,
The Gospel Procession

"Step by Step"

Beaker



O God, you are my God, and I will ev-er praise you.— O God, you are my God, and
I will ev-er praise you.— I will seek you in thorn - ing,— I will learn to walk in your
ways,— and step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol-low you all of my days.

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The Holy Gospel Luke 9:57-62

† Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus* said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please repeat singing "Step by Step", as the Gospel Procession returns.

Please remain seated for

† The Sermon

The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The People join in reading the words in bold.

We thank you, God, for your abiding guidance and presence. You continually invite us to become our best selves and, in Jesus, model for us the way of love. We offer these prayers in faith and in hope on behalf of ourselves and all with whom we share life in this time and place.

For God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael; for our Bishops Jon, John and Diane, for all our ministers, and for us gathered as your church family. Let us be available to your Spirit.

Lord, make us wise and faithful.

For peace; for goodwill among nations; for the well-being of all people, and for boldness in confronting injustice of any kind. Let us respect the dignity of every human being.

Lord, make us compassionate and loving.

For all who serve in our civil services, especially first responders, and in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Kelly Hall, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve. Let us pray for a safe and peaceful world.

Lord, make us strong to help and serve.

For the unemployed and underemployed; for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, the oppressed, those in prison or afraid; for those facing challenges of any kind, especially: Andrea, Howard Dale, Ceri Falk, Dato Family (Kelly Lynch's sister), Rob and Pam Fitting, Mama Hill, Hanna Hilden, Elizabeth Hodgson, Chong-Kyun Kim, Marjorie Morris, Munoz Family, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith, Hayward and Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*.

Let us pray for healing of any kind.

Lord, make us whole and holy.

For all those killed or injured from acts of terrorism, gun violence, abuse of any kind, from the consequences of hurricanes, earthquakes, fires, floods and other natural disasters and for those who grieve for them. Let us pray for the safety of life. **Lord, make us instruments of your peace and comfort.**

For those we love but see no longer, for all those who have died, especially especially those killed in the massacre in Las Vegas, and all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*. Let us pray in God's comfort and grace. **Lord, help us live for you all the days of our lives.**

For all who anticipate birthdays, anniversaries and joyful events *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*. Let us pray that we remember moments of blessing.

Lord, make us grateful for all we have.

Let us pray together:

Watch over your children, O God, as our days increase; bless and guide us wherever we may be. Strengthen us when we stand; comfort us when discouraged or sorrowful; raise us up if we fall; and in our hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide in us all the days of our lives. Amen.

Collect no. 51 from the Book of Common Prayer.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Please stand or kneel as able

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

† Celebrant Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand as able for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements



The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Brother Sun, Sister Moon

Clark Kimberling

Most High, omnipotent, good Lord, to thee be ceaseless praise outpoured, and blessing without measure.

From thee alone all creatures came; no man is worthy thee to name.

My Lord be praised by brother sun who through the skies his course doth run. And shines in brilliant splendor; with brightness he doth fill the day, and signifies thy boundless sway.

My Lord be praised by sister moon and all the stars that with her soon will point the glittering heavens.

Let wind and air and cloud and calm and weathers all, repeat the psalm.

By sister water be thou blessed, most humble useful, precious, chaste. Be praise by brother fire;

Jocund is he, robust and bright, and strong to lighten all the night.

By mother earth my Lord be praised; governed by thee she hath upraised what for man's life is needful.

Sustained by thee through every hour, she bringeth forth fruit, herb, and flower.

My Lord be praised by those who prove in free forgivingness their love, nor shrink from tribulation.

Happy who peaceably endure, with thee, Lord their reward is sure.

For death, our sister, praise be, from whom no man alive can flee. Woe to the unprepared.

But blest be they who do thy will and follow thy commandment still.

Most High, omnipotent, good Lord, to thee be ceaseless praise outpoured, and blessing without measure. Let creatures all give thanks to thee, and serve in great humility.

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

Offertory Hymn

"I Will Praise Your Name"

Leon Roberts

Musical notation for the offertory hymn "I Will Praise Your Name" by Leon Roberts. The notation is on a single staff with a treble clef and a 6/8 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are written: "I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God." There are small lines under the words "I", "ever", and "my" to indicate where the notes are placed.

I will praise your name for - ev - er, my King and my God.

Music by Leon Roberts

Please continue standing, as able, for

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People Blessed be God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

From Enriching Our Worship, supplement to the Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.



The Celebrant continues. The People read the parts in bold.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. **But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.**

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are
 6 full of your glo-ry, Ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes, in the name of the
 12 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

LAND OF REST American Folk Tune, Arrangement by Annabel Buchanan (1889-1983)Worship, Love , & Praise #859

All stand or kneel at the Celebrant continues, with the People reading the parts in Bold.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. **He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.**

Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. **Do this for the remembrance of me.**"

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, **do this for the remembrance of me.**"

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ crucified and risen, who was and is, and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

† Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Francis and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

"Whoever Comes to Me"

Carl Haywood

Who - ev - er comes to me shall not hun - ger, and
5 who - ev - er be - lieves in me shall nev - er thirst.

Setting by Carl Haywood, from Fraction Anthems, Canticles, and Chants, ©1997 Carl Haywood. Worship, Love, and Praise #878

The Communion of the People

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive or are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served in your seat.*

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where someone will be available to pray with you.

**Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

Communion Music

Lord, Make Me an Instrument
Susie Willigrod and Lloyd Mistele, solos

Jonathan Willcocks

Dedicated to the victims of violence in Las Vegas

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, may there be union; where there is doubt, faith.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is despair, let there be hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, may there be joy.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. May we all be in peace, and may that peace come unto each of us.



Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **God of all Life, we have seen with our own eyes and touched with our own hands the Bread of Life, this precious gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you, in love for one another, and in love for all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant May the peace of Christ which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Recessional Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Sebastian Temple

Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where there is ha - tred.
Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where there's des - pair in
6 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It is in par - don -
let me bring your love. Where there is in - ju - ry, your par-don, Lord.
life, let me bring hope; Where there is dark - ness, on - ly light,
12 ing that we are par - doned, In giv - ing to all that we re - ceive,
Third time to coda
And where there's doubt, true faith in you. O
And where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.
17 And in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal
23 Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so much to be con - soled as to con -
28 sole, to be un - der - stood as to un - der - stand,
Coda
to be loved as to love with all my soul. life.

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The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Come, Christians Join to Sing

Arr. Mark Hayes