



Episcopal Election

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI | EUCHARIST
OCTOBER 3, 2020 | 9am

St. Francis of Assisi

Today we celebrate **Francis of Assisi**, the 13th century Italian whose greatest honour was to be known as *il Poverello*, “the little poor one of Christ.” He grew up in a very wealthy family and seemed to have not a care in the world until he was 20 years old, when a chance encounter with a leper left him appalled by his own uselessness. Soon afterwards he heard Jesus speaking to him from a painting of the crucifixion over the altar of a local church. He threw away his wardrobe and renounced his father’s wealth in order to care for the poor and the crippled. In 1208, he heard the commission which the risen Lord gave to his apostles, “Go, make all nations my disciples,” and knew that it was also addressed to him. Francis began to train his followers for the task of making Jesus truly known and loved among the ordinary people of Italy. Out of this movement developed the *Order of the Lesser Brethren*, commonly called *the Franciscans*. Francis cared deeply for his new Order, but he also grew restless as it became an established institution of the Church. He distanced himself from its day-to-day life and eventually went his own way as he strove to imitate Christ’s total obedience to God. Two years before his death he was granted a sign which manifested this desire. One September day in 1224, he had a vision of the Crucified borne on the wings of a seraph. As the vision withdrew, the wounds of Jesus appeared in Francis’s own flesh—the scars like nail-wounds on his hands and feet, and in his right side a scar like a spear-wound. These marks, called *the stigmata*, remained on Francis’s body until his death two years later.

From *For All the Saints...*

The Gathering of the Community

Introit

Kyrie (*Missa de Angelis*)

trad. Gregorian

Presider

In this time and place,
we gather on the ancestral and unceded lands
of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

People

From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.

Presider

In this time and place,
we meet in the presence of the living God.

People

The living God who creates us and all that is.

Presider

In this time and place,
the risen Christ stands in our midst.

People

The risen Christ who accompanies us and all people.

Presider

In this time and place,
God's Holy Spirit breathes in and through us.

People

The Holy Spirit who transforms us and all life.

Presider

In this time and place,
together, one people of God.

People

**In the name of God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Presider

Almighty God,

People

**to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**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.**

Opening Hymn

All Creatures of our God and King

Text: Francis of Assisi (1182–1226);
tr. William Henry Draper (1855–1933), alt.;
Music: Melody, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623;
harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958); LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun and golden beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. Great rushing winds and breezes soft,
you clouds that ride the heav'ns aloft,
O sing now, alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice;
stars nightly shining, find a voice,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
alleluia, alleluia!
Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,
you give to us both warmth and light,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfolds her blessings on our way,
O sing now, alleluia!
All flow'rs and fruit that in you grow,
God's glory let them also show:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Collect

Presider

Let us pray. (*The community prays silently*)

Grant us, Almighty God,
after the example of your holy servant Francis,
to do what you would have us do,
and always to desire what is pleasing in your sight,
that cleansed by your love, enlightened by your truth,
and kindled with the fire of your Holy Spirit,
we may follow in the footsteps of your beloved Son
and make our way to you, O God most High;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

People

Proclamation of the Word

Reading

Galatians 6:14-18

Reader

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People

Thanks be to God.

Canticle

A Song of Creation (CP 754)

Text: Song of the Three 35-36, 52-60;
Music: Melody Rupert Lang (1948-) ©;
acc. Melva Treffinger Graham (1947-) ©

Refrain *Last time sing twice*



Praise God, we highly ex-ult you for-ev-er.

To refrain



1 Glo-ri-fy the Lord, all you works of the Lord.



2 In the fir-ma-ment of his pow-er glo-ri-fy the Lord.



3 Glo-ri-fy the Lord, O moun-tains and hills.



4 O springs of wa-ter, seas, and streams,



5 O whales and all that move in the wa-ters,



6 Let the earth glo-ri-fy the Lord.



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down thy head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter; thirs - ty one, stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
 I came to Je - sus and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I'll walk till trav - elling days are done.

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Deacon

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Deacon

Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Deacon

The Gospel of Christ.

People

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Most Rev. Melissa Skelton

Silence for Reflection

The Apostle's Creed

Presider

All

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world,
for this gathering, for our Archbishop Melissa, and for all ministers and people,
especially the Nominees for election as Bishop Coadjutor:
Allan, Philip, Philippa, Riscylla, and John.

Silence

Leader

Almighty and everliving God,
source of all wisdom and understanding,
be present with those who take counsel in this Electoral Synod
for the renewal and mission of your Church.
Teach us in all things to seek first your honour and glory.
Guide us to perceive what is right,
and grant us both the courage to pursue it
and the grace to accomplish it;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I ask your prayers for the Anglican Communion;
for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;
for Linda, our Primate;
for Mark, National Indigenous Archbishop;
and for Brent, Bishop of our companion diocese of
Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines.
We pray for all our parishes, chaplains and other ministries.

Silence

Leader

Almighty and everlasting God,
by your Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified.
Receive our supplications and prayers,
which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church,
that in our vocation and ministry we may truly and devoutly serve you;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

I ask your prayers for peace, for goodwill among nations,
and for the well-being of all people.

Silence

Leader

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace,
and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth,
that justice and peace may increase,
until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry,
the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Leader

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow,
the strength of all who suffer, hear the cry of those in misery and need.
In their afflictions show them your mercy, and give us, we pray,
the strength to serve them, for the sake of him who suffered for us,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I ask your prayers for the mission of the Church.
Pray for the coming of God's kingdom among all nations and peoples.

Silence

Leader

O Lord our God, you have made all races and nations to be one family,
and you sent your Son Jesus Christ to proclaim the good news of salvation to all people.
Pour out your Spirit on the whole creation,
bring the nations of the world into your fellowship,
and hasten the coming of your kingdom.
We ask this through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I ask your prayers for those who have died in the peace of Christ,
and for those whose faith is known to God alone.
Pray that God may be glorified in all his saints.

Silence

Leader

O God, the giver of eternal life,
we give you thanks and praise for the wonderful grace
and virtue declared in all your saints.
Grant to us, and to all who have died in the hope of the resurrection,
a share in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ
and fulness of joy in the fellowship of St. Francis and all your saints.
All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us give thanks to almighty God for all his goodness.

Silence

Leader

You are worthy, O Lord our God,
to receive glory and honour and power.
You are worthy to receive blessing and praise, now and for ever.

Doxology

Leader

For yours is the majesty,
O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Presider

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

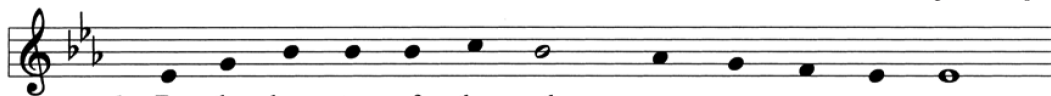
The Offertory

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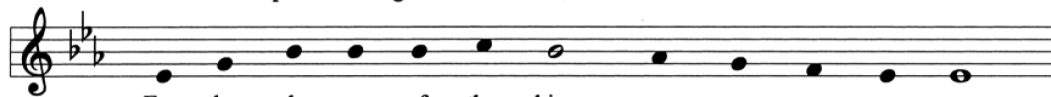
Offertory Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

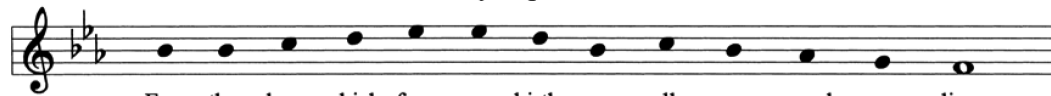
Text: F.S. Pierpoint, 1864;
Music: *Adoro Te*; trad. Gregorian; adapt R. Lang



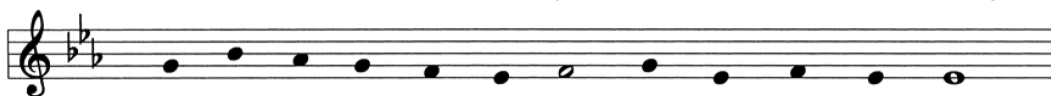
1. For the beau - ty of the earth,
2. For the beau - ty of each hour,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, *Sing, O sing to - day.*
4. For the joy of hu - man love,
5. For each per - fect gift of thine,



For the glo - ry of the skies,
Of the day and of the night,
For the heart and mind's de - light, *Sing, O sing al - ways.*
Bro - ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
To the world so free - ly giv'n,



For the love which from our birth all a - round us lies;
Hill and vale and tree and flow - er, sun and stars of light;
For the my - stic har - mo - ny link - ing sound and sight;
Friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts;
Gra - ces hu - man and di - vine, Flow'rs of earth and heav'n;



Lord of all, to thee we raise grate - ful hymns of praise!

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider

Loving God,
join our offering to the sacrifice of your only Son,
that our service may be stamped with his humility
and bear the image of his obedience;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Archbishop

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Archbishop

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Archbishop

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Archbishop

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,
because in the fellowship of your saints
you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.
Therefore we join our voices with theirs as earth and heaven unite
to proclaim the glory of your name. Amen

People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Archbishop

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

People

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Archbishop

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Archbishop

People

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Archbishop

People

“I am the bread which has come down from heaven,” says the Lord.
Give us this bread for ever.

Archbishop

People

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.



Share the Gifts (new information, please read)

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in Communion.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion, the celebrant will come down and stand in front of the altar. Please keep your mask on and come forward one at a time, maintaining physical distancing with others in the congregation. If you prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer, please mention this to the Celebrant. The Celebrant will place the wafer in your hand. Please keep the wafer in your hand until you have returned to your seat. At your seat you may unhook your mask, consume the wafer, then replace your mask. If you would prefer to receive a contactless blessing, please keep your mask on, and place your hand over your heart.

If you're joining in via the livestream, please place your hand over your heart and say, "Come, Lord Jesus, come."

While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence—this is a time for quiet prayer and meditation.

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer after Communion

Presider

God of all goodness,
who gave to your servant Francis a will to be the servant of all,
grant us in our service of your gospel to hold back nothing of ourselves for ourselves,
that Christ may receive the whole of our lives into the habitations of light and glory;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

The Episcopal Blessing

Archbishop

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People

The maker of heaven and earth.

Archbishop

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
from this time for evermore.
And the blessing, mercy and grace of God.

People

Amen.

Closing Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God (CP 399)

Text: Martin Rinckart (1596–1649);
tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878), alt.;
Music: Melody Johann Crüger (1598–1662);
harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847), *Lobgesang*, alt.; NUN DANKET



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voice,
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God eternal now be given,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
to Spirit and to Word, who reign in highest heaven:



who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
and nourish us with grace, and guide us when perplexed,
our ever faithful God, whom heaven and earth adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Dismissal
Deacon
People

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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Liturgical Leadership

Presider & Preacher

The Most Reverend Melissa Skelton

Deacon

The Reverend Jeffrey Preiss

MC

The Reverend Helen Dunn

Words of Welcome

The Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas

Music

Lucy Smith, *soloist*

Jake Gramit, *soloist*

Rupert Lang,

Organist & Director of Music



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