

The Feast of Saint Francis

October 4, 2026



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Liturgy of the Word

Opening Hymn - All Creatures of our God and King –
Verses 1,2,3 and 7

Praise to God

400



- 1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic-es, let us
 * 2 Great rush-ing winds and breez-es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 * 3 Swift flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo-ther earth, you day by day un-fold your bless-ings on our
 5 All you with mer-cy in your heart, for-giv-ing o-thers, take your
 * 6 And e-ven you, most gen-tle death, wait-ing to hush our fi-nal
 7 Let all things their cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship him in hum-ble-



- 1 sing: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Bright burn-ing
 2 loft, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! Fair ris-ing
 3 hear, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Fire, so in-
 4 way, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O— sing now: Al-le-lu-ia! All you that
 6 breath, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God the



- 1 sun with gold-en beams, pale sil-ver moon that gen-tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re-joice, stars night-ly shin-ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce-ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo-ry al-so show:
 5 pain and sor-row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa-ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi-rit, Three in One:



O praise him, O praise him, Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

Words: Francis of Assisi (1182-1226); tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933), alt.

Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623;
 adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

88. 44. 88 with Refrain

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever, Amen**

Presider 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 the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you
People **And also with you**
Presider 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.

The Readings

First Lesson: Job 39:1–18

‘Do you know when the mountain goats give birth?
Do you observe the calving of the deer?
Can you number the months that they fulfil,
and do you know the time when they give birth,
when they crouch to give birth to their offspring,
and are delivered of their young?
Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open;
they go forth, and do not return to them.

‘Who has let the wild ass go free?
Who has loosed the bonds of the swift ass,
to which I have given the steppe for its home,
the salt land for its dwelling-place?

It scorns the tumult of the city;
it does not hear the shouts of the driver.
It ranges the mountains as its pasture,
and it searches after every green thing.

‘Is the wild ox willing to serve you?
Will it spend the night at your crib?
Can you tie it in the furrow with ropes,
or will it harrow the valleys after you?
Will you depend on it because its strength is great,
and will you hand over your labour to it?
Do you have faith in it that it will return,
and bring your grain to your threshing-floor?

‘The ostrich’s wings flap wildly,
though its pinions lack plumage.
For it leaves its eggs to the earth,
and lets them be warmed on the ground,
forgetting that a foot may crush them,
and that a wild animal may trample them.
It deals cruelly with its young, as if they were not its own;
though its labour should be in vain, yet it has no fear;
because God has made it forget wisdom,
and given it no share in understanding.
When it spreads its plumes aloft,
it laughs at the horse and its rider.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

² **My help comes from the Lord, ***
the maker of heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

⁴ **Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel ***
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵ The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

⁶ **So that the sun shall not strike you by day, ***
nor the moon by night.

⁷ The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

⁸ **The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, ***
from this time forth for evermore.

Second Lesson: Acts 4:32-35, 5:1-11

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and

brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

But a man named Ananias, with the consent of his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property; with his wife's knowledge, he kept back some of the proceeds, and brought only a part and laid it at the apostles' feet. 'Ananias,' Peter asked, 'why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back part of the proceeds of the land? While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, were not the proceeds at your disposal? How is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You did not lie to us but to God!' Now when Ananias heard these words, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard of it. The young men came and wrapped up his body, then carried him out and buried him.

After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter said to her, 'Tell me whether you and your husband sold the land for such and such a price.' And she said, 'Yes, that was the price.' Then Peter said to her, 'How is it that you have agreed together to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out.' Immediately she fell down at his feet and died. When the young men came in they found her dead, so they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. And great fear seized the whole church and all who heard of these things.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God**

The Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

Presider God be with you

People **And also with you**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

People **Glory to you Lord Christ**

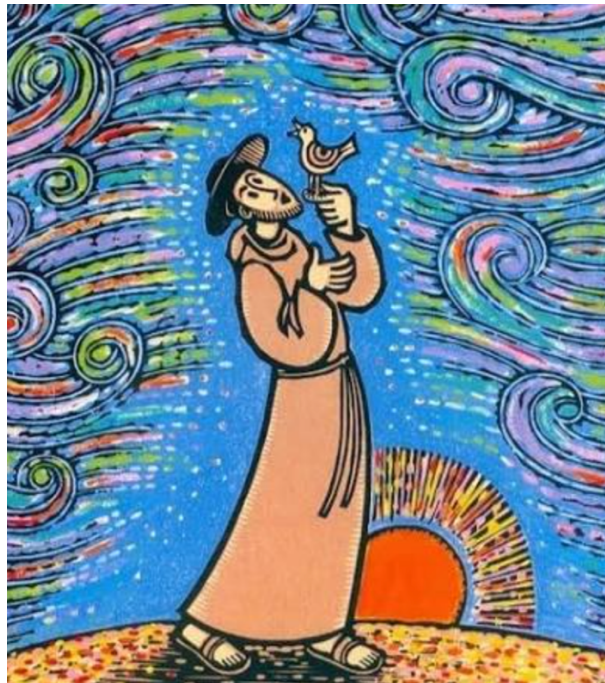
Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced

abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

Presider The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you Lord Christ**

The Homily & Animal Blessings



The Nicene Creed

All Stand

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

Reader In Peace we pray to you Lord God

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work:

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors and those who are alone.**

Reader For this community, the nation, and the world:
Especially President Donald Trump, Governor Kevin Stitt, and
Mayor Stan Booker,
Saying together...

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Reader For the just and proper use of your creation:

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble:

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Reader For the peace and unity of the church of God, especially Saint
Andrew's in Grove and the Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil
Saying together.

People **For all who proclaim the gospel and all who seek the truth.**

Reader For our presiding bishop, Sean Rowe, our Bishop,
Poulson Reed, and all bishops and other ministers.

People **For all who serve God in his church.**

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation,
especially Alex, Anderson, Bonnie, Jack, James, Jane, Jean, Jeanie,
Jimmy, The Lees Family, Logan, Roy, Scott, Shelley, Terry;
Tommy, Tracey, Vicki, Zack, and all first responders.
Hear us Lord

People **For your mercy is great**

Reader In the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries cycle of prayer, we

pray for our chaplains, military members, their families, and for
those serving in the Americas and Europe at Naval Station
Guantanamo Bay, Ramstein Air Force Base, Army Garrison
Bavaria, and Naval Station Rota.

We thank you Lord for all the blessings of this life .

Especially for a birthday for Bob Chapman and
Rev. Stephanie Jenkins and for the 31 missing children found in
Tucson Arizona

We exalt you, O God our King

People

And praise your name for ever and ever

Reader

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom. Especially Lexi Harper, and Sue Briggs

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them:

People

Who put their trust in you.

Confession and Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

All **Most merciful God,**
 we confess that we have sinned against you
 in thought, word, and deed,
 By what we have done,
 And 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.

The Exchange of the peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you**

Presider All things come from thee O Lord

People **And of thine own we have given thee**

The Liturgy of the Table

Presider The Lord be with you

People **And also with you**

Presider Lift up your hearts

People **We lift them to the Lord**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

(spoken)

**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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Francis and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

Presider 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 Bread

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People **Therefore let us keep the feast**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God

Communion Hymn - Give Yourself to Love

Give Yourself To Love • Kate Wolf

Kind friends all gathered 'round, there's something I would say:
That what brings us together here has blessed us all today.
Love has made a circle that holds us all inside;
Where strangers are as family and loneliness can't hide.

(Chorus)

So give yourself to love if love is what you're after;
Open up your heart to the tears and laughter, and
Give yourself to love, give yourself to love.

I've walked these mountains in the rain and learned to love the wind;
I've been up before the sunrise to watch the day begin.
I always knew I'd find you, though I never did know how;
But like sunshine on a cloudy day you stand before me now.

(Chorus)

Love is born in fire; it's planted like a seed.
Love can't give you everything, but it gives you what you need.
And love comes when you're ready, love comes when you're afraid;
It'll be the greatest teacher, the best friend you have made.

(Chorus)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn - Morning Has Broken

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Morning

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for a unison or harmony setting. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The melody is simple and gentle, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The first system includes three verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system has two lines of lyrics. The fourth system concludes the hymn with a final line of lyrics. The music ends with a double bar line.

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird. _____
like the first dew - fall on the first grass. _____
born of the one light E - den saw play! _____

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! _____
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. _____
God's re - cre - a - tion, of the new day! _____

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965), alt.
Music: *Bunessan*, Gaelic melody; harm. Alec Wyton (b. 1921)

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Dismissal

People Serving Today

Rector Rev. Stephanie Jenkins Lectors 8:00 Lessons – John Carter 10:15 Lessons – Carl Ryker 10:15 Prayers & Psalm – Blake Dutcher Eucharistic Minister Ann Friedl Usher Larry Neal Verger Ian Swart 8am Ian Swart 10:15	Crucifer Adrienne Bernhard Musician David Gabriele Counters Carl Ryker Blake Dutcher Altar Guild Vicki Campbell Carla Wade Carol Carter Technology Richard Ward Richard Routon
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by Rev'ds Shobe & Gunn

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our faith


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a member


Or get
Confirmed

 **SUNDAYS at 9:15**
starting September 27th
 in the Fireplace Room



CONFIRMATION
with Bishop Poulson

EVENING PRAYER

*Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.
beginning September 16*





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UPCOMING EVENTS

11/1 ALL SAINTS ALL SOULS FEAST DAY

11/7 WHY MARK AND ANNIVERSARY, WITH
GUEST SPEAKER AT HOMILY

11/15 LIVING LITURGY, WITH GUEST
SPEAKER AT HOMILY

11/22 OVERVIEW OF CONFIRMATION AND
EUCARIST FOR NOV 29 VISIT WITH
BISHOP USING 1979 AND 1892 BOOKS OF
COMMON PRAYER

10/12 -10/17/26 REV. STEPHANIE VACATION

11/1/26 ALL SAINTS DAY

11/29/26 BISHOP VISIT WITH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION (ONE SERVICE) (PIONEER
FARE AT 9:00

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