

Music at Communion

“Amazing Grace”

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

2. ’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

4. Through many dangers, toils, and
snares,
I have already come;
’tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

5. When we’ve been there ten thousand
years,
bright shining as the sun,
we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
than when we’d first begun.

“I am the bread of life”

1. I am the bread of life;
they who come to me shall not hunger;
they who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father draw them.

Refrain

And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day.

2. The Bread that I will give
is my Flesh for the life of the world,
and they who eat of this bread,
they shall live for ever.

Refrain

3. Unless you eat
of the Flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his Blood,
you shall not have life within you.

Refrain

4. I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
They who believe in me,
even if they die,
they shall live for ever.

Refrain

5. Yes, Lord, we believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God
who has come into the world.

Refrain

The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People say together

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.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Closing Hymn

“All creatures of our God and King”

1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden
beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,

Refrain

O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. Great rushing winds and breezes
soft,
you clouds that ride the heavens
aloft,
O praise him, Alleluia!

Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,
stars nightly shining, find a voice,
Refrain

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth to give, serve and love the Lord fearlessly.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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All are invited for pet and people refreshments in the Cathedral Park following the service.

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Don’t forget to pick up your special blessing certificate at the conclusion of the service.



Francis of Assisi

THE HOLY EUCHARIST & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SUNDAY

October 4, 2015 - 9 a.m.

A joyous and warm welcome to our visitors and guests.

Please know how happy our Cathedral community is to have you worship with us.

Hymn

“For the beauty of the earth”

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our
birth
Over and around us lies;
Refrain
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise

2. For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light:
Refrain

3. For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child;
Friends on earth and friends
above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:
Refrain

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

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

People

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

Celebrant

Let the earth glorify the Lord.

People

Praise him and highly exalt him forever.

Celebrant

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord;

People

And you give them their food in due season.

Celebrant

You open wide your hand.

People

And fill all living things with plenteousness.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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 Lesson	Genesis 1:24-31a
<i>Lector</i>	A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw **that it was good.** **Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image,** according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of **the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”** So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. **God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful** and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves **upon the earth.”** **God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that** is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, **I have given every green plant for food.”** And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.

<i>Lector</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

The Psalm is read in unison.

Psalm 148:7-14

Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

The People stand.

The Gospel	Matthew 11:25-30
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<i>Gospeler</i>	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
<i>People</i>	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son

chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

<i>Gospeler</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

The Sermon	The Reverend Carl Saxton
Prayer attributed to St. Francis	

The People stand as they are able.

Celebrant and people

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

O Lord, who has looked upon all creation and declared it good; we thank you for the animals of your creation with whom we share the earth. Remembering especially those animals you have entrusted into our care, we pray that we may be instruments of your loving providence, that we may all abound in your glory. *Amen.*

The Peace	
<i>The People stand.</i>	

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

The Clergy and People greet each other in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements	THE HOLY COMMUNION
Offertory	

As the Altar is prepared for Communion, representatives of the congregation collect the offerings of the People. The people stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.

Hymn	“Sanctuary”
	Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for You.

The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer II from <i>Enriching Our Worship I</i>
<i>The People stand.</i>	

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

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 say:

The Celebrant and People say

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 Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.”**

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 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.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and people

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

<i>Celebrant</i>	God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.
<i>People</i>	Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God. (Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

Communion and Blessing of the Animals	
<i>Please walk down the center of our labyrinth to receive Communion, then bring your pets around the perimeter of the labyrinth to be blessed.</i>	