

Welcome!



SAINT JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL
EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA

October 7, 2018 - 9 a.m.
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
St. Francis of Assisi Sunday

LOVE *at the* CORE.

Welcome to St. John's Cathedral! We are so glad that you are here.

We worship God in the heart of the city. We are surrounded by the poor in an area of town that is often neglected. In his life, Jesus often ministered to the poor and needy, and we believe that by worshipping **God in the urban core, we can catch a glimpse of God's love.**

We welcome all people. Our nursery is open all morning on Sundays. We would love to get to know you better, and you can help us by filling out a visitor card located in your pew and placing it in the offering plate as it comes by, or by handing it to an usher. Please let us know if you need prayers and if you would like us to email you our online newsletter. Listening devices are always available for the hearing impaired and large-print bulletins for those who have trouble with their eyesight. Please ask an usher if you need these items or anything else. We want to help you feel at home here.

We believe that worship should be beautiful and sacred, a moment to hush the hurriedness of our lives and experience the peace of God. **I hope that you feel God's love this morning.**

Faithfully,

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead,
Dean

THE HOLY EUCHARIST & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

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 People are seated.

The Lesson

Jeremiah 22:13-16

Lector A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness, and his upper rooms by injustice; who makes his neighbours work for nothing, and does not give them their wages; who says, “I will build myself a spacious house with large upper rooms”, and who cuts out windows for it, panelling it with cedar, and painting it with vermilion. Are you a king because you compete in

cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness? Then it was well with him. He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People 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

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People 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."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead

A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The People stand.

Prayer attributed to St. Francis

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

○ 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

The People stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Clergy and People greet one another 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 III

BCP Church of Ireland

The People stand.

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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

Father, Lord of all creation, we praise you for your goodness and your love. When we turned away you did not reject us. You came to meet us in your Son, welcomed us as your children and prepared a table where we might feast with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened wide his arms upon the cross and, with love stronger than death, he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on the night before you died you came to table with your friends. Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the bread of life.

At the end of supper you took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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; do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the true vine.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace, one in Christ, our risen Lord.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, for ever praising you and saying:

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.

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.

Amen. Amen. 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 Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
People *We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.*

The Celebrant continues

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Remember that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion and Blessing of the Animals

Please walk down the center of our labyrinth to receive Communion, then bring your pets around the perimeter of the labyrinth to be blessed.

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

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,
Refrain

4. Dear mother earth, you day by day
unfold your blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show:
Refrain

The Dismissal

People Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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You may pick up your pet's special blessing certificate at the conclusion of the service.

SERMON NOTES

CELEBRATING ST. FRANCIS

St. Francis lived in the 11th century. He gave up a life of wealth to embrace homelessness and poverty. People thought of him as either mad or holy. He loved to sing to the animals, and he was in love with God in a captivating way. He loved Jesus so intensely that he was the first human being to develop the stigmata, the wounds that Jesus bore when he was crucified. Like Jesus, he died young, around the age of 44.



So why do we remember him? Why do we dedicate one Sunday each year to celebrate this strange man? No Christian saint has had a greater impact on the world than St. Francis. And, the only way to explain his profound impact is to believe that it came from the Holy Spirit.

St. Francis did a lot in his short life. He founded religious orders of men and women (The Franciscans). He wrote and preached. Most of all, he taught us that the earth is not only beautiful and worthy of praise, but it's something to cherish and adore. Animals, plants and flowers—these are God's great treasures, and we are to revere them as such. If Christians across the world followed even a small portion of Francis' example, the earth would thrive once more. In this way, God still speaks to us through St. Francis, especially today.

~Dean Kate



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