

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

October 7, 2018

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite One



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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Appalachian Sunrise

Joseph Martin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MISSION MOMENT

ACCLAMATION [P] Priest/[C] Congregation]

[Please stand.]

- [P] Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- [C] **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

- [A] **Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**
- [P] Lord have mercy.
- [C] **Christ have mercy.**
- [P] Lord have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy Spirit.**

P 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.

C **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 11:1–9 • Psalm 148 • 1 Corinthians 15:39–41 • Matthew 6:25–29

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading

L *The First Reading is taken from Isaiah, chapter 11...*

A shoot will grow up from the stump of Jesse; a branch will sprout from his roots. The Lord's spirit will rest upon him, a spirit of wisdom and understanding, a spirit of planning and strength, a spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord. He will delight in fearing the Lord. He won't judge by appearances, nor decide by hearsay. He will judge the needy with righteousness, and decide with equity for those who suffer in the land. He will strike the violent with the rod of his mouth; by the breath of his lips he will kill the wicked.

Righteousness will be the belt around his hips, and faithfulness the belt around his waist. The wolf will live with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat; the calf and the young lion will feed together, and a little child will lead them.

The cow and the bear will graze. Their young will lie down together, and a lion will eat straw like an ox. A nursing child will play over the snake's hole; toddlers will reach right over the serpent's den. They won't harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain. The earth will surely be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, just as the water covers the sea.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *A reading from Psalm 148 [read responsively, **L** Lector/**C** congregation]*

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

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

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

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

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

C **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 Second Reading:

- ℣ *The Second Reading is taken from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15...*
All flesh isn't alike. Humans have one kind of flesh, animals have another kind of flesh, birds have another kind of flesh, and fish have another kind. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies. The heavenly bodies have one kind of glory, and the earthly bodies have another kind of glory. The sun has one kind of glory, the moon has another kind of glory, and the stars have another kind of glory (but one star is different from another star in its glory).

- ℣ The Word of the Lord.
- ☩ **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel:

[Please stand.]

- ℣ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
- ☩ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

- ℣ [Jesus said,] "Therefore, I say to you, don't worry about your life, what you'll eat or what you'll drink, or about your body, what you'll wear. Isn't life more than food and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds in the sky. They don't sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Aren't you worth much more than they are? Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? Notice how the lilies in the field grow. They don't wear themselves out with work, and they don't spin cloth. But I say to you that even Solomon in all of his splendor wasn't dressed like one of these.

- ℣ The Gospel of the Lord.
- ☩ **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

Cindy Roehl

[Please be seated.]

NICENE CREED

[Please 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[Sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.]

D Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

L Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Living Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Becky, our Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; Ann, our Priest Associate; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese: Church of the Holy Spirit, Safety Harbor; All Saints, Tarpon Springs; St. Giles, Pinellas Park; to the Clearwater Deanery Collaboration Partners; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Living Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Living Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially President Trump, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. Living Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

℣ And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [Add handwritten names from notebook] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [Time is left for people to speak.] Living Lord,

☩ **hear our prayer.**

℣ Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life [especially ... read from notebook]. Living Lord,

☩ **hear our prayer.**

℣ And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially... add names from notebook]. We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Living Lord,

☩ **hear our prayer.**

℣ We give thanks for the flowers given to the glory of God by members of Good Shepherd. Living Lord,

☩ **hear our prayer.**

℣ Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

☩ **Amen.**

CONFESION AND ABSOLUTION

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

℣ Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [Silence is kept.]
Most merciful God,

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

℣ Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☩ **Amen.**

PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

THE PEACE

[Please stand.]

- ⒫ The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- Ⓖ **And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

[Please be seated.]

- ⒫ Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Be grateful you have gifts to share with a hurting world, and give with a cheerful heart.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

[Please stand when the offering is given to the deacon.]

- ⒫ As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge:
- Ⓖ **All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

- ⒫ The Lord be with you.
- Ⓖ **And with thy spirit.**
- ⒫ Lift up your hearts.
- Ⓖ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- ⒫ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
- Ⓖ **It is meet and right so to do.**
- ⒫ It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,
- Ⓖ **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- ⒫ All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

- Ⓟ Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

- Ⓞ **And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;**

- Ⓟ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

- Ⓞ **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Ⓟ And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- Ⓟ We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
- Ⓞ **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

- Ⓟ 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.

[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may have the person with the cup dip it in the wine and place it in your mouth, or you may dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

P Let us pray.

G **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

[Please stand.]

P God bless your eyes to see the world as God sees,
your lips to speak to others as if to Christ,
your hands to work and heal in the power of the Holy Spirit, and
your minds to discern all that is excellent, admirable, true, holy, just, pure, lovely,
and worthy of praise.

God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless your hearts and set them on fire.

G Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

D Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

G Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

Joseph Martin

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant Becky Robbins-Penniman
Deacon Cindy Roehl
Priest Associate Ann Chaplin
Organist Robert Moncrief
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