



Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost ~ October 4, 2020
A Worship Celebration of St. Francis of Assisi

Prelude

For the Beauty of the Earth – Emma Lou Diemer

Dr. Steven Gray

Gathering Hymn

All Creatures, Worship God Most High! - ELW 835 (1,2&6)

All creatures, worship God most high! Sound ev'ry voice in earth and sky: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright; sing, sister moon and stars of night:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing, brother wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and grain; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Dear sister water, useful, clear, make music for your Lord to hear:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart: Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Welcome and Announcements

The Greeting

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, +one God, who creates, redeems and sustains us and all of creation.

C Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins)

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Faithful God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of +Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

C Amen.

Hymn of Praise

For the Beauty of the Earth - ELW 879 (vs 1&2)

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light.
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

Prayer of The Day

P The Lord be with you, **C and also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lesson: Galatians 6: 14-18 (NTp.189)

Psalm 121 (OTp.582)

Gospel Acclamation

Change my Heart O God - ELW 801

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

Gospel Matthew 11: 25-30 (NTp.22)

Sermon

Rev. Cyndi Jones

Hymn of The Day

Light Dawns on a Weary World - ELW 726

Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity.
Light dawns on a weary world; the promised day of justice comes.
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Love grows in a weary world when hungry hearts find bread and children's dreams are fed.
Love grows in a weary world: the promised feast of plenty comes.
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once forlorn, find wilderness reborn.
Hope blooms in a weary world: the promised green of Eden comes.
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come 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

P Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

After each portion of the prayers

P Lord, in your mercy. **C hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P ... we entrust to your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

Song of Prayer

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying ELW 742

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in the place;
Lord, listen your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

The Peace

Pastor: While we cannot share God's peace with each other we still live today and always with the assurance that the peace of the Lord is with us always.

Special Music

Katy Lundeen

The Great Thanksgiving -

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

P God the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C **Amen.**

Dismissal

P Remain in God's great peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Sending Hymn**All Things Bright and Beautiful - WOV 767**

*Refrain: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings. *refrain*

The purple headed mountains, the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky. *refrain*

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them ev'ry one. *refrain*

God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. *refrain*

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in C Major – J. S. Bach

Dr. Steven Gray

Bach signed every manuscript Soli Deo Gloria (To God Alone Be the Glory)

Serving Us Today

Rev. Dr. Jonathan Doolittle, Liturgist

Rev. Cyndi Jones, Preacher

Dr. Steven Gray, Organist & Director of Music

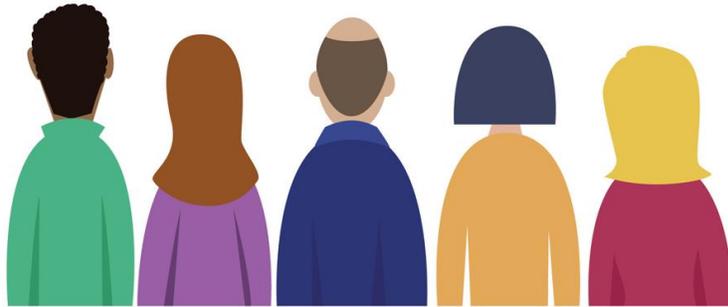
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Remember in prayer: Jesús & Virginia Mecina, Carol Nass, Bev Covey, Myra Brandt, Bill & Kathy Reed, Sandy McCauley, Janet Wood, Evelyn Salvog, Merle & Mary Jo Flattum, Ken Doolittle, Len Partyka, Howard & Joan Knop, Nadine Anderson, Carl Johnson, and Bryan. We also pray for all those affected by Covid-19, doctors and nurses, teachers and students, pastors and congregants, musicians, and the multitude of people in all sectors of life.

We especially remember Harriet Morris and the family of Jesse at his passing this past week. May God grant him eternal rest, and comfort all who mourn with the hope of the resurrection.



CONGREGATION MEETING

OCTOBER 4, 2020 2:00pm

TODAY!

Join us either online via Zoom by clicking the link, or opening Zoom and putting in the meeting ID, and password when prompted.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81995268014?pwd=OVN1a09DbUJJNlowWm5mYzE3SStDQT09>

Meeting ID: 819 9526 8014

Passcode: 598416

Or you can call in to the meeting by dialing (669) 900-9128, enter the meeting ID when prompted, 81995268014#, and then the password when prompted: 598416#

We are able to have up to 75 people in the sanctuary.
If you want to attend please call the office and leave a message on Angela's voicemail.



ALSO TODAY! We recognize St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. We will have a blessing of pets at **11:00 a.m. on the front lawn** for those who wish to bring their pets. We ask that all human participants wear a mask, and that your pets are on leashes, or in a carrier or crate, or fishbowl, or cage, or for the safety of all. The Rev. Dr. Doolittle will be “speaking with the animals” to offer individual blessings. ☺

We are able to gather in person for worship at 25% capacity in the sanctuary. We have room for 75 people in our sanctuary including the worship leaders. **You need to make a reservation each week** for Sunday worship at 8:30am by going online or calling the office. We ask you to not come if you have been feeling ill or been exposed to someone with the virus. You will be asked to wear a mask the entire time, and we will be assigning seating for each person/family. We will offer communion as you exit church.

We will continue to stream our worship live as well for those who are not comfortable being together inside yet.

LaTiendita on Clairemont Mesa Blvd suffered a big fire and is closed. They are asking for community support to help them open again. Several of our members’ shop there regularly and we have former members that work there. If you are able to donate towards the rebuilding and reopening, we are collecting it through the church. Please make your check payable to CLC and mark LaTiendita on the memo line and we will send them one check from the church. Thank you as always for your continued generosity.

Nick from the orphanage is very grateful for the donations we have been able to send to support the kids with food and school supplies. With our ongoing support they have been able to take in more children as well. He sends heartfelt thank you’s and prayers for our church. He is hoping to be able to come in person sometime next year and share with us the work they do. He wants to let us know this is an ongoing issue with having more children than usual they need to purchase more food etc, so if you are able to donate please mark “Africa” on the memo line. Thank you.