

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI AND BLESSING OF ANIMALS

October 4, 2026

10AM

TRINITY CHURCH

Worship in the Beauty of Holiness ✠ Service and Hospitality in the Name of Christ

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand and join us in singing the hymns, prayers which reflect on the theological themes of the day and season, and can be found in the blue hymnal in your pew, ordered by the numbers listed in the bulletin below.

OPENING HYMN

All creatures of our God and King

Hymn 400
(vss. 1, 2, 3, 4, & 7)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

Celebrants: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL: 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*

GLORIA

S280 in Hymnal

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

Celebrants: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

ALL: *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*

FIRST READING

Job 39:1-18

A Reading from the Book of Job.

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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Celebrants: ***Thanks be to God.***

THE CANTICLE OF THE SUN

Francis of Assisi

Most high, all powerful, all good Lord!
All praise is yours, all glory, all honor, and all blessing. *
To you, alone, Most High, do they belong.
No mortal lips are worthy to pronounce your Name.

Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures,
especially through my lord Brother Sun, who brings the day;
and you give light through him. *
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!
Of you, O Most High, he bears the likeness.

Be praised, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars; *
in the heavens you have made them,
precious and beautiful.

Be praised, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, *
and clouds and storms, and all other weather,
through which you give your creatures sustenance.

Be praised, my Lord, through Sister Water; *
she is very useful, and humble, and precious, and pure.

Be praised, my Lord, through Brother Fire,
through whom you brighten the night. *
He is beautiful and cheerful,
and powerful and strong.

Be praised, my Lord, through our Sister Earth, *
who feeds us and rules us,
and produces various fruits with colored flowers and herbs.

Be praised, my Lord, through those who forgive for love of you;
through those who endure sickness and trial. *
Happy are those who endure in peace,
for by you, Most High, they will be crowned.

Be praised, my Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death,
from whose embrace no living person can escape.
Woe to those who die in mortal sin! *
Happy those she finds doing your most holy will.
The second death can do no harm to them.

Praise and bless my Lord, *
and give thanks,
and serve him with great humility.

SECOND READING

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

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

Celebrants: ***Thanks be to God.***

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

Presider: ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

Celebrants: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “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 toward God.”

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

Celebrants: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All may be seated.

HOMILY

Paul Yoon

NICENE CREED

*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 BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Presider: Let us give thanks to our mothering God for all of the gifts so freely bestowed upon us, especially for this wonderful gathering of all ilk and sorts in this church today. Also for the beauty and wonder of God's creation, in the earth and sky and sea;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, boys and girls;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: For all the creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

ALL: *We thank you, God*

Presider: For the trust you have shown in giving into our care these, our pets;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: That each pet here may be treasured with care;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: That we may love and honor all your works, O God;

ALL: *We thank you, God.*

Presider: That we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant Creation;

ALL: *To the honor and glory of your Name, now and forever, we pray to you, God.*

The Celebrant sprinkles the animals with Holy Water and then blesses each animal individually.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Celebrants: *And also with you.*

All may share with one another a sign of peace.

All may be seated.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

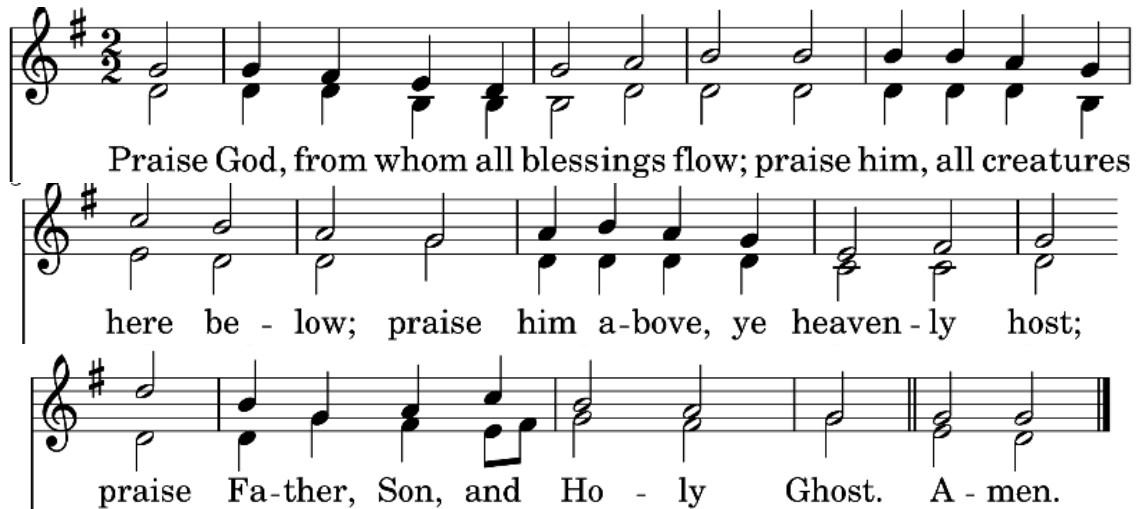
OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All stand as are able

OFFERTORY HYMN *Let thy Blood in mercy poured*

Hymn 313

THE DOXOLOGY



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Prayer B

Presider: The Lord be with you.

Celebrants: ***And also with you.***

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

Celebrants: ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Celebrants: ***It is right to give God 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; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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:

SANCTUS

S125 in Hymnal

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All kneel as the Presider 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,

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

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 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 forever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*All: 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

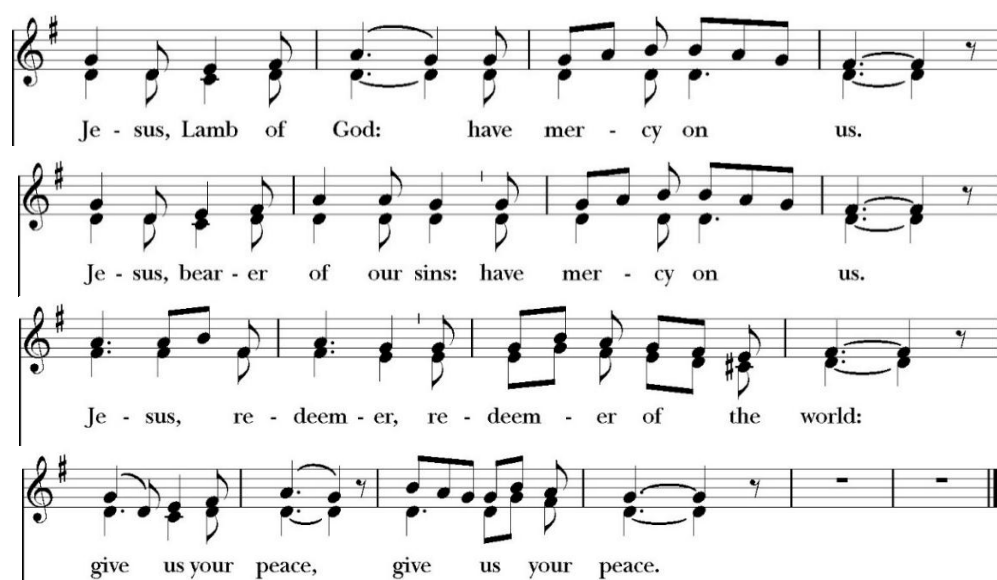
The Presider breaks the consecrated Host and, after a moment of silence, continues,

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Celebrants: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Sl64 in Hymnal



The Presider says the following invitation

Behold what you are and become what you receive.
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All may kneel.

Let us pray.

Presider: Blessed be God who calls us together.

Celebrants: *Praise to God who makes us one people.*

Presider: Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.

Celebrants: *Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.*

Presider: Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

Celebrants: *Praise to God who is revealed as love.*

Presider: Blessed be God who alone has called us.

Celebrants: *Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.*

Presider: Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving

Celebrants: *Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.*

Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

THE BLESSING

All stand as are able

CLOSING HYMN *Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth*

Hymn 598

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrants: *Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!*