



St Benedict's Episcopal Church Los Osos, California

~ Tending Mind and Soul ~

THE 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Season of Creation: ST. FRANCIS DAY, OBSERVED

October 3, 2021 - 10:30 AM SERVICE

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, there's a warm welcome for you here!

Prelude: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Music from *Geistliche Kirchengesang*

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Celebrant: *We* gather in the name of God, Creator, Redeemer,
and Sustainer of the Earth and all its creatures!

People: *Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is sound and life,
Creator of the Universe, Source of all life.*

(Hildegard of Bingen)

All: *Holy and Life-Giving Spirit, you know our innermost thoughts even before they break
through into consciousness; you teach us how to pray. Breathe your breath into our hearts and minds
this morning. Prepare us for worship, that our thoughts may turn to you and our hearts bow down in
grateful praise of God - Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

Hymn of Praise

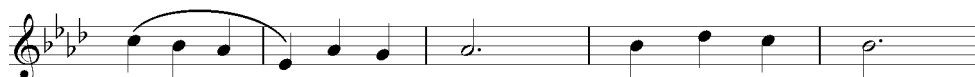
"Earth and All Stars"

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[omit verses 4 and 5]



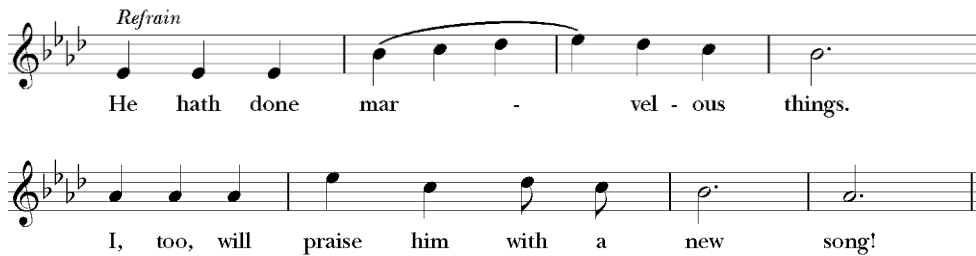
1	Earth and all stars,	loud rush - ing	plan - ets,	sing to the
2	Hail, wind, and rain,	loud blow - ing	snow - storms,	sing to the
3	Trum - pet and pipes,	loud clash - ing	cym - bals,	sing to the
* 4	En - gines and steel,	loud pound - ing	ham - mers,	sing to the
* 5	Class - rooms and labs,	loud boil - ing	test - tubes,	sing to the
6	Know - ledge and truth,	loud sound - ing	wis - dom,	sing to the



1	Lord _____	a new song!	O vic - to - ry,
2	Lord _____	a new song!	Flow - ers and trees,
3	Lord _____	a new song!	Harp, lute, and lyre,
4	Lord _____	a new song!	Lime - stone and beams,
5	Lord _____	a new song!	Ath - lete and band,
6	Lord _____	a new song!	Daugh - ter and son,



1	loud shout - ing	ar - my,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!
2	loud rus - tling	dry leaves,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!
3	loud hum - ming	cel - los,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!
4	loud build - ing	work - ers,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!
5	loud cheer - ing	peo - ple,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!
6	loud pray - ing	mem - bers,	sing to the	Lord _____	a new song!



Words: Herbert Brokering; Music David N Johnson © Augsburg Pub House

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O God of all creation; with you is the well of life:

People: *And in your light we shall see light.*

All: *God our Creator, who laid the foundations of the earth and stretched out the heavens as a tent cloth; how glorious is your name in all the world. Give us grace to wonder at your gift, to treasure the earth and to work for its protection and renewal; through Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit One God now and for ever. Amen.*

Micah 6:6-8

Reader *A Reading from book of the Prophet Micah.*

“With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalms 100

Refrain will be sung by Cantor, repeated by all

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Ostinato Refrain

Cantor will sing the verses

Sopranos: Last time

Tenors: Last time

Altos: Last time

We are God's peo - ple, the flock of the Lord.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all you lands, all you lands.
Serve the Lord now with gladness, come before God singing for joy!
2. Know that the Lord is God! Know that the Lord is God,
who made us, to God we belong, God's people, the sheep of the flock!
3. Go, now within the gates giving thanks, giving thanks.
Enter the courts singing praise, give thanks and bless God's name!
4. Indeed, how good is the Lord, whose mercy endures for ever,
for the Lord is faithful, is faithful from age to age!

Text: from Psalm 100; Music: David Haas © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.

Galatians 6:14-18

Reader *A Reading from Letter of Paul to the Galatians.*

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Hymn

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Music: Jerry Sinclair © 1972 Manna Music, Inc. Arr. By Betty C. Pulkingham © 1975 Celebration

Luke 12:22-34

Gospeller: *The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According to Luke.*

People: *Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Gospeller: *The Gospel of Christ.*

People: *Praise to You, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Susan Plucker

[We pause for a few moments' reflection before affirming our faith.]

Affirmation of Our Faith

Let us stand and join in the Affirmation of our Faith

All: ***We believe in God the Creator,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Redeemer,
who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with God's love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in One God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit. Amen.***

Source: Common Worship, Church of England

Prayers of the People

Acknowledging that God's love is present in every part of creation - in the things that are beautiful and the things that are difficult for us to see or experience - let us, guided by the Holy Spirit, pray to the Christ and Creator saying: God, open our eyes that we may see your love all around us.

May people of faith across the planet be inspired to work for the flourishing of all creation. May we be blessed with your vision of the loveliness of all beings, and emboldened to speak truth to power on behalf of the voiceless ones. We pray for all who are working to save endangered species. God, open our eyes ***that we may see your love all around us.***

We ask that the leaders of the nations might embrace a spirit of cooperation and generosity, so that war may cease and humanity be enabled to work together and seek the common good. We pray for all those who are assisting refugees and the victims of storm, earthquake and fire, especially Episcopal Relief and Development. God, open our eyes ***that we may see your love all around us.***

Giving thanks for all who work to prevent suffering among birds and animals, we ask your blessing on all local care organizations including Pacific Wildlife Care, the Marine Mammal Center, Woods Humane Society, HART and the Feline Network. God, open our eyes ***that we may see your love all around us.***

We pray for our companion animals and the wild birds and creatures who live in our yards and community, and accompany us in our life. God, open our eyes ***that we may see your love all around us.***

We bring to you all whose lives are closely connected with ours, starting with those in the bidding book...

[here you may add your own prayers aloud or silently]

God, open our eyes ***that we may see your love all around us.***

We give thanks for all, like St Francis, whose teaching and example has inspired us in our spiritual growth. We pray for those who have died and for those who grieve.
God, open our eyes *that we may see your love all around us.*

Holy One, who made all things and saw that it was very good, grant that we may also look on your creation with eyes of love and appreciation, recognizing your presence in the cycle of life, death and new birth. May your New Creation grow in us. All this we ask in the Name of your Son, the Christ in whom we live and move and have our being. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

As those who know the generosity of God let us confess our sins, especially the ways in which we take creation and God's gifts for granted.

All: ***Creator God, maker of heaven and earth,
we acknowledge our failure to live responsibly
as part of your creation.***

***We have taken what we want
without considering the consequences;
we have wasted and discarded,
without thought for the future.***

***Open our hearts and minds to the signs of our times,
to the groaning of creation,
so that we may turn from our greed and lack of vision
and see a world being made anew in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.***

May the All-Compassionate God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

To maintain safe social distancing, please simply greet others verbally or with a bow or nod.

Collection plates are not passed, but you may put your contributions in the plate by the usher's station before the service, or at the Peace, or contribute at our website any time.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Offertory Music

St. Benedict Singers - "Offertory"

Text: Micah 6:6-8

John Ness Beck

1987 Beckenhorst Press, Inc.

The Holy Eucharist

EOW-I

(Please Stand)

Doxology *Praise God from Whom all blessings flow*
Praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God the Source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We raise our hearts to God.***
Celebrant Let us thank the giver of life..
People ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy
God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

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

Music: Mass of Creation, Marty Haugen, © 1984, GIA Publications, Inc.

Celebrant
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our

care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All ***Christ has died.***
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Benedict, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

All ***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.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, let us sing the prayer the Savior Christ has taught us

Our Fa-ther, — who art in heav - en, — hal - low-ed
be thy name; thy king-dom come. — thy will be
done — on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day — our dai - ly bread: — and for -
give us our tres - pass-es — as we for - give those —
— who tres pass a gainst us: — and lead us — not in to temp
ta tion — but de - liv-er us from e - vil —
For the king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry — are
yours, now and for ev - er — now — and for
ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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When we eat this bread, when we drink this cup, we pro - claim your
death, Lord Je - sus, un - til you come in glo - ry.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics.

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Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: ***We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.***

Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God
This is God's table, and all are welcome here.

(As your group is called forward, please spread out to widen the circle and increase safe social distancing.)

*The consecrated bread will be distributed to you individually, that you may consume it.
The cup of consecrated wine will be held before you, that you may receive it with your eyes.)*

Communion Music: "There is a Redeemer"

Music by Melody Green, Piano Setting by Joel Raney

2005 Birdwing Music (ASCAP)

Communion Hymn

"Deck, Thyself, My Soul with Gladness"

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(The people may sing softly.)

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me
gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system has three verses of lyrics. The second system continues the melody and lyrics.

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban-quet found - ed— high o'er all the heavens he
 be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
 vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
 hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck; Music: *Schmücke dich*, Johann Cruger. Public domain

(We pause for a moment of silence together before joining in our final prayer)

*Lord of the harvest,
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in Creation
and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom;
by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us
and make us wise and generous stewards of the good things we enjoy;
through your Son Jesus Christ.
Amen*

“A Time for Creation” - Church of England

The Blessing

May God who established the dance of creation,
Who marveled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church
To reflect God's glory in creation.
And may the blessing of the Holy Trinity be upon you
and remain with you always.
Amen.

(CTBI Eco-Congregation Programme)

Announcements

Final Hymn

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

H400

[omit verses 2 and 3]

(The people may sing softly.)



- 1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



- 1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



- 1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

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The Dismissal.

Officiant: Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude: "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

by Daniel Towner, arr. Tracey Craig McKibben

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Ministers of the Service

Celebrant:	The Rev. Susan Plucker
Eucharistic Minister:	Jerry Walton
Lector:	Carol Brubaker-Walton
Cantor:	Brian Spolarich
Piano:	David Alm
Ushers:	Barbara Schippers & Sandy Fisher
Altar Guild:	Pat Stoneman
Flowers:	Elaine Beckham
Prayer Team:	Lisa Gonzalez
Teller:	Judith Cadigan
Online Hosts:	Pat Henry & Suzan Vaughn

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