

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
OCTOBER 2, 2022



PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

HYMNAL 376

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless your Creator,
all animals of the land.

People **Let us praise and exalt our Creator together.**

Celebrant Bless your Creator,
all birds of the air.

People **Let us praise and exalt our Creator together.**

Celebrant Bless your Creator,
all creatures of the sea.

People **Let us praise and exalt our Creator together.**

Celebrant Bless your Creator,
all children of God.

People **Let us praise and exalt our Creator together.**

Celebrant O sweet maker of all, we ask your blessing on every creature gathered here today; the large and the small. May they live lives of joy as you intend. May we love your creation, and revere its sacredness. We ask this blessing in the name of the one who was, is, and always will be, our Creator, to whom every creature belongs.

People **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

HYMNAL S280

**Welcome to Grace,
we're glad you are here!**

If you have any questions, our ushers, greeters and members are here to help, don't hesitate to ask!

Restrooms are located through the door to the left of the pulpit at the top and bottom of the stairs. There is also a handicap lift in the narthex (front entrance) if you need assistance getting to the lower level.

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CURRENT COVID PRECAUTIONS

- Masks are optional.
- Communion: Bread only

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTE Cary Brown
ALTAR GUILD Pat Hallett
Virginia Danner

CANTOR

FELLOWSHIP

GREET/USHER Mike Hasty
Michael Younkins

LECTOR S. Slocum-Schaffer

LIVESTREAM Julia Byrd

TELLER Pat Hallett
S. Slocum-Schaffer

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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. O God, you have made us and these pets and all living things. You are even more wonderful than the things you have made. We thank you for giving us these friends who give us joy. As you take care of us, so also we ask that you help us to take care of these little ones who trust us to take care of them. By doing this, we know that we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE CREATION STORY

ADAPTED FROM GENESIS 1:1-34

Lector The story of our creation, from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and a great dimness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

On the first day, God created light and darkness.

On the second day, God created the sky above and the waters below.

On the third day, God formed the land and called it Earth, and gathered the water and called it Sea. God blessed the earth with vegetation and food.

On the fourth day, God separated the day from the night, creating the sun, the moon, and the stars.

On the fifth day, God brought forth swarms of living creatures in the air, in the water, and on the land, and God bid them to be fruitful and multiply.

On the sixth day, God created humankind in God's image, giving them dominion over the animals. God blessed them and bid them to be fruitful and multiply.

On the seventh day, God saw that everything that God had made was very good and God rested and blessed the seventh day and made it sacred.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

THE PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

People **Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.**

**O, God, grant that I 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.**

Please stand if you are able for the hymn and reading of the Gospel.

SEQUENCE HYMN

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
4 For the church that ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,
5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our race so free - ly given;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
of - fering up on ev - ery shore her pure sac - ri - fice of love,
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven,

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in five numbered lines for the first system, and then in three lines for the second and third systems. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the left hand.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated when prompted.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

When prompted, please stand if you are able.

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.**

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector Let us give thanks to God our Creator for all the gifts so freely bestowed upon us
and for the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector For all creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector That each pet here may be treasured with care;

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Lector That we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation;

People **To the honor and glory of your name, now and forever, we pray to you, Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant O God, you created all living things on the face of the earth and called us
to care for them. Grant that we may be faithful to this trust in the way we treat
all animals, both wild and tame. Teach us to admire their beauty and to delight in
their cunning; to respect their strength and to wonder at their intelligence.
Grant that our care of them may be both merciful and wise. So may we lend our voice
to their praise of your goodness, which endures forever.

People **Amen.**

PRAYER IN REMEMBRANCE OF PETS WHO HAVE DIED

Celebrant O God, you are infinite, unbounded Love, and will not allow the love which exists between your creatures to perish: We pray for those animals who have died. Comfort all those who mourn, especially those who have lost a beloved pet.

People **Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

N., may you be blessed in the Name of God who created you, and may you and *(person's name)* enjoy life together with our God.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, in a safety conscious manner, such as waving or peace signs.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

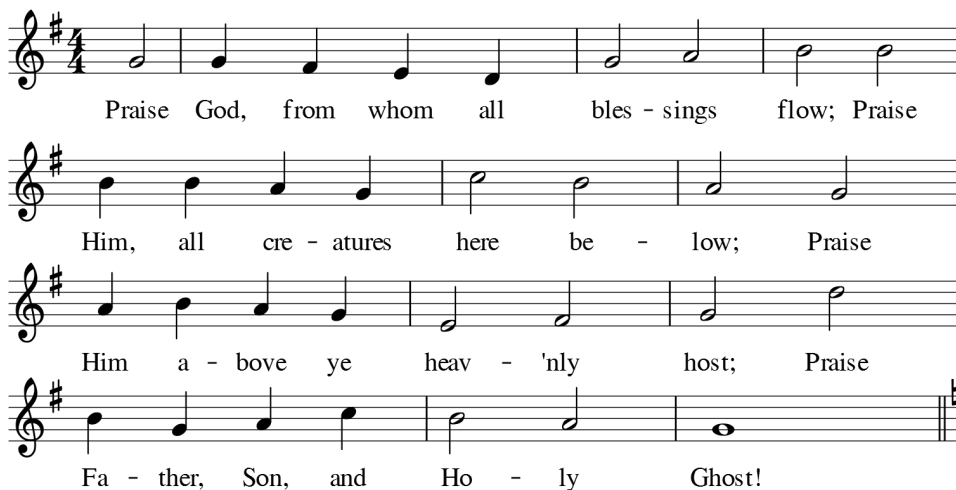
ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL, ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

HYMNAL 405

PRESENTATION HYMN

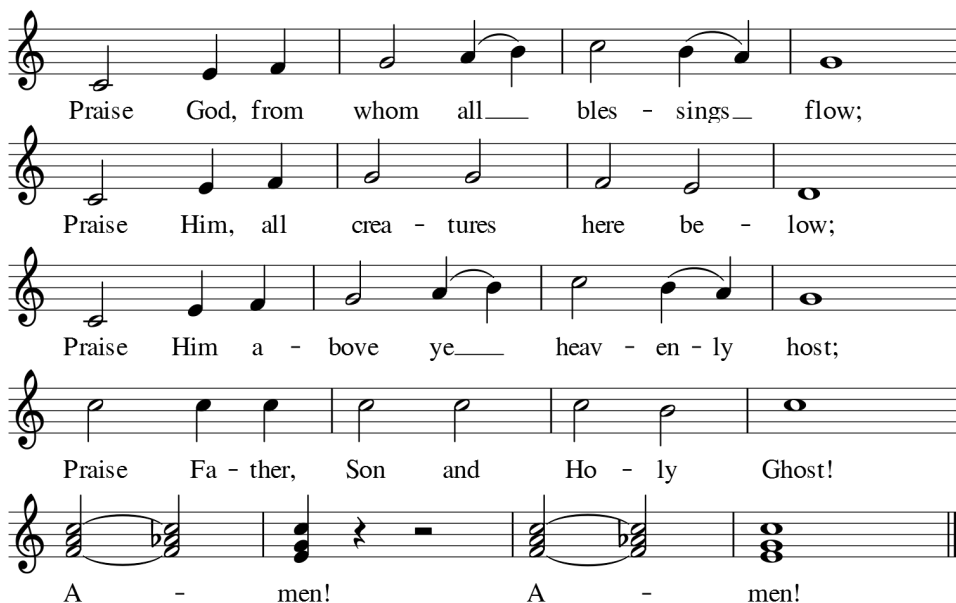
THE DOXOLOGY (*Sung to Two Tunes*)

Please stand if you are able.



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise
Him, all cre - atures here be - low; Praise
Him a - bove ye heav - 'nly host; Praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

(Second Tune, sung after the organ interlude)



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow;
Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;
Praise Him a - bove ye heav - en - ly host;
Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost!
A - men! A - men!

First tune: Old 100th, Public Domain; Second Tune: New Doxology, Public Domain. Arranged by David L.M. Gunning, Jr.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING | EUCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR CREATION SEASON

Celebrant The Lord is here.

People **God's Spirit is with us.**

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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Almighty God, Creator and Sustainer of all that is, loving Father of us all,
in whose hand are the depths of the earth and the heights of the mountains,
and in whom we live and move and have our being: at your command
all things came to be, from the vast expanse of stellar space to this fragile earth,
our home.

We give you thanks for your creation as gift of your love.

All creatures look to you for their food; when you open your hand
they are filled with good things; when you take away their breath, they die.

At your command the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings
shouted for joy. We join with them, with angels and archangels and all the company
of heaven, to give a voice to creation's praise:

SANCTUS

DEUTSCHE MESSE

HYMNAL S130

The people stand or kneel. The celebrant continues

From the primal elements, you brought us forth, and blessed us with consciousness and skill.
You gave us responsibility to care for your world, yet through our selfishness the earth has become
polluted, poor communities are oppressed, and the life of many creatures put in jeopardy. Your
spoiled creation eagerly waits for its freedom. You sent your Son Jesus Christ, in whom all things in
heaven and earth were created, to reconcile all things to yourself, making peace through his life,
death, and resurrection.

On the night he was betrayed he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take eat; this is my body which is given for you; do
this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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 all
for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Celebrant Great is the mystery of faith:

People **Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life. His Spirit refreshes us with Living Water.**

Send your Spirit on these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, that they may be for us a foretaste of your creation's renewal. Send your Spirit on your people. Transform us that we may become more faithful stewards of your gifts. May we live more just and godly lives, responsible in care for your earth, and sharing more equitably its rich resources. Sustain us in hope, waiting and working for your new world to be born.

Celebrant Through Jesus Christ our Savior and Redeemer, to whom,
with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and praise.
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory for ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

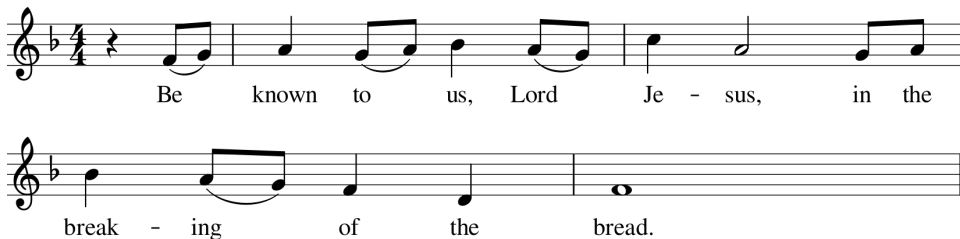
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant 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.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

BE KNOWN TO US, LORD JESUS



The cantor or choir sing the verses

1. The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.
2. One body are we, alleluia, for though many, we share one bread.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

May all who share these gifts be found in Christ and may Christ be found in you.



*All are welcome to come forward and receive the Body of Christ. Simply come forward,
and when it is your turn extend your arms, resting one hand on top of the other.
If you would rather not receive, you can still come forward to receive a blessing.
Just cross your arms across your chest and the clergy will bless you.*



COMMUNION HYMN

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES

HYMNAL 325

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us Pray.

People Almighty God, our great Creator, yours are the praise, the glory,
the honor and all blessings. To you alone do all things belong.
Be praised for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world.
May we think of you and thank you when we play with and care for our pets.
Be praised for making us so happy to have our pets and to have them to play with.
We ask you, Lord, that we may be good to our pets always, so that they may be happy
also. Help us always to take care of them so that they will be healthy.
O God, your world is wonderful. May we all come into your even greater world
of the kingdom of heaven where we shall see even more wonderful things
and where we shall live and love forever. This we ask to your eternal praise,
and to our blessing. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord show his face to you and have compassion on you;
May God turn his face to you and give you peace.

And the blessing of God Almighty:
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you now and always..

People Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

I SING THE ALMIGHTY POWER OF GOD

HYMNAL 398

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

THE CHURCH

For the clergy: ++Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; ++Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; +Eugene Taylor Sutton and +Robert Ilhoff, Bishops of the Diocese of Maryland; Edie+ Holton, our Priest; Kathleen+ Smith-Jones, our Deacon, and Al Horton, postulant to the Vocational Diaconate.

In the Diocesan prayer cycle, we pray for Church of the Advent, Baltimore; Cathedral of the Incarnation, Baltimore; Church on the Square, Baltimore and for the Rev.'s Joshua E. Messick, Paul A. Bennett, Jason A. Poling, and Ruth A. Elder.

In our Parish prayer cycle, we pray for Bill & JoAnne Daniels.

The Flowers on The Altar are given to the Glory of God by Pat Hallett:
For my beautiful Granddaughter Beatrice Flora Teigen who is sixteen today! .

OUR COMMUNITY

The Homebound: Teeny Phillips, Marvin Metzgar.

Those With Recent Needs: Hoa Generazio; Abby & Tom Kahn; The Cendrowski Family; Art & Dawn Reid, Dawn's Mom Sandy, Tammy Trimmer; John Ell; Marilyn Rich; Marvin Metzgar; Zoe Huck; Claudia; The Dean Family; William; Barry Slocum.

Those With Ongoing Needs: Kate Jauch; Virginia Danner; Eddie Danner; Jason Harris; Fred Zupka & Family; Chuck Szuberla; Barry Stocks; Lisa Cox & Harriet Carr; Betty Ramsay; Steve Foust; Susan Kimble; Meghan Davidson & Family; Charlotte Barnhouse; Abby & Tom Kahn; Susan Mann; David & Mary Alice Thoma; Catherine Thompson; Felicia Watkins-Kimble.

THE WORLD

For elected leaders in this country and around the world, especially President Joseph Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris; Governors Larry Hogan (*MD*) and Glenn Youngkin (*VA*); and Mayors Nathan Brown (*Brunswick*) and Nate Fontaine (*Lovettsville*). For victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse and natural disasters in the United States and throughout the world.

We pray for the people of Ukraine.

We pray for the victims, family, and communities that have suffered from senseless violence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTRO HISPANO DIAPER DRIVE The diaper drive will conclude **THIS THURSDAY, October 6th**. Donations should be brought to the church by Wednesday and earmarked for Deacon Kathleen. For more than 15 years, Centro Hispano de Frederick has been supporting the Frederick immigrant population to help them succeed in our community. Your generosity to our neighbors in need is invaluable in that goal.

OCT 23 | CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION SPONSORSHIP The centennial celebration is just over a month away! This year, we celebrate the centennial of our current "Grace Church" building, built in 1922. We'll throw a grand party to celebrate on **Sunday October 23, 2022!** Current & former parishioners, former clergy, representatives from the Diocese, community members and local dignitaries will be our guests for the day.

Please consider giving a monetary gift to help defray the costs associated with this magnificent day. No amount is too small! You can make your donation by check to Grace Church with "Centennial Celebration" in the memo line or use FaithStreet by going to GraceBrunswick.org and clicking the "Donate" button on the homepage. Select "Centennial Celebration" from the "Select a Fund" drop-down. All donors will be recognized in the special Centennial Celebration program. Let us know how you'd like your donation to be remembered by going to <http://tinyurl.com/GraceCentennialSponsor>

OCT 29 | TRUNK OR TREAT Brunswick "Trunk or Treat" has become an annual tradition. This year's event takes place on **Saturday, October 29** at the Martin's Creek parking lot on Potomac Street, across from the Potomac Street Grill. Grace will have our "Holy Ghost-Mobile" and be ready to hand out goodies! To make it all happen, we need candy donations and many hands to put together treat bags to hand out. All are welcome and invited to help out...young and young-at-heart!

Go to <https://tinyurl.com/GraceTrunkOrTreat2022> and let us know how you'd like to join in the fun!

COMING UP AT GRACE

10/5	Wed	7:00 pm	AA "Double Dippers" Meeting	Undercroft
10/11	Tue	5:00 pm	Service of Healing--Extravagant Love	Nave
		6:30pm	The St. Luke Artisan and Crafters Guild	Undercroft
10/23	Sun	11:00am	Centennial Celebration: 100 years in our Current Church Building	Church
10/24	Mon	11:00am	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	Zoom
		7:00pm	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	Zoom

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