

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

The Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay
Dean of the Cathedral

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry
Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan



THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The Blessing of the Animals & Festal Eucharist

with The Cathedral Choir

October 4th, 2026

11:00 AM

WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL!

OUR VISION is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship and serve; being loved by God in ways that change and improve their lives and the lives of others.

VISITORS are encouraged to fill out a Cathedral Connection Card included with your bulletin and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy-person after the service. **PRAYER REQUESTS** can also be made on this card. Please ask a clergy person or usher if you have questions. *All are welcome — if you are looking for a church home, you have one here!*

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP Here at St. Paul's we believe in worshiping with our entire being and all our senses (sight, hearing, voice, smell, touch, taste, etc.) It is our hope that you will join in with us in singing of the hymns and service music and in the speaking of corporate prayers by making use of this printed order of service and the directions (*in red*) included within it.

Of particular note is making the sign of the cross at specific moments within the liturgy (*indicated by ✠*). As with kneeling or taking communion, no one is required to 'cross themselves', however, this small-but-powerful physical gesture is one of the ways worshipers can take active part in the service with their whole being.

ABOUT CHILDREN IN WORSHIP Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, for unto them belongs the Kingdom of God." Here at the Cathedral, we believe that the place of a child is in worship. We hope you will help your little ones follow the service, sing the hymns, and use the bulletin. At the back of Grace Chapel, on the left, front side of the church, there is a soft space available with toys, age-appropriate books, and games.

LEARNING THE LITURGY — It understood from Dom Gregory Dix's treatise, *The Shape of the Liturgy*, that the Eucharist consists of a fourfold action: an offering (*bread & wine*), the prayers (*giving thanks to God*), the fraction (*breaking of the bread*), and the communion (*distribution of the bread and wine*). As such, the four orders of bishop, priest, deacon, and laity come together with Jesus as He offers Himself as a sacrifice. This is not a "re-sacrifice" of Christ, but rather the original sacrifice of Christ being made present — the "indissoluble unity of the Eucharist with the sacrifice of Christ." In this action the Church not only becomes one with the Lord, but its members also declare unity among themselves (hence, the term, "*Communion*"). In this action, the Church offers the Eucharist in order to become the sacrificed body of Christ to the world. The act of Eucharist not only binds the Church with Christ's sacrifice in the past, but it also draws the Church to the very throne and Kingdom of God in the present.

VISIT OUR NEW WELCOME CENTER IN THE GALLERY!

(Accessible via the side doors through Grace Chapel at the front, LEFT side of the church.)

Please sign our online visitor register by scanning the QR Code to the right.



✠ THE ENTRANCE RITE ✠

PRELUDE

Sonata in C, K. 255
Duetto buffo di due gatti

Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)
Gioachino Rossini (1792-1868)

At the sound of the bell, please stand as you are able. The Choir sings,

THE RESPONSORY

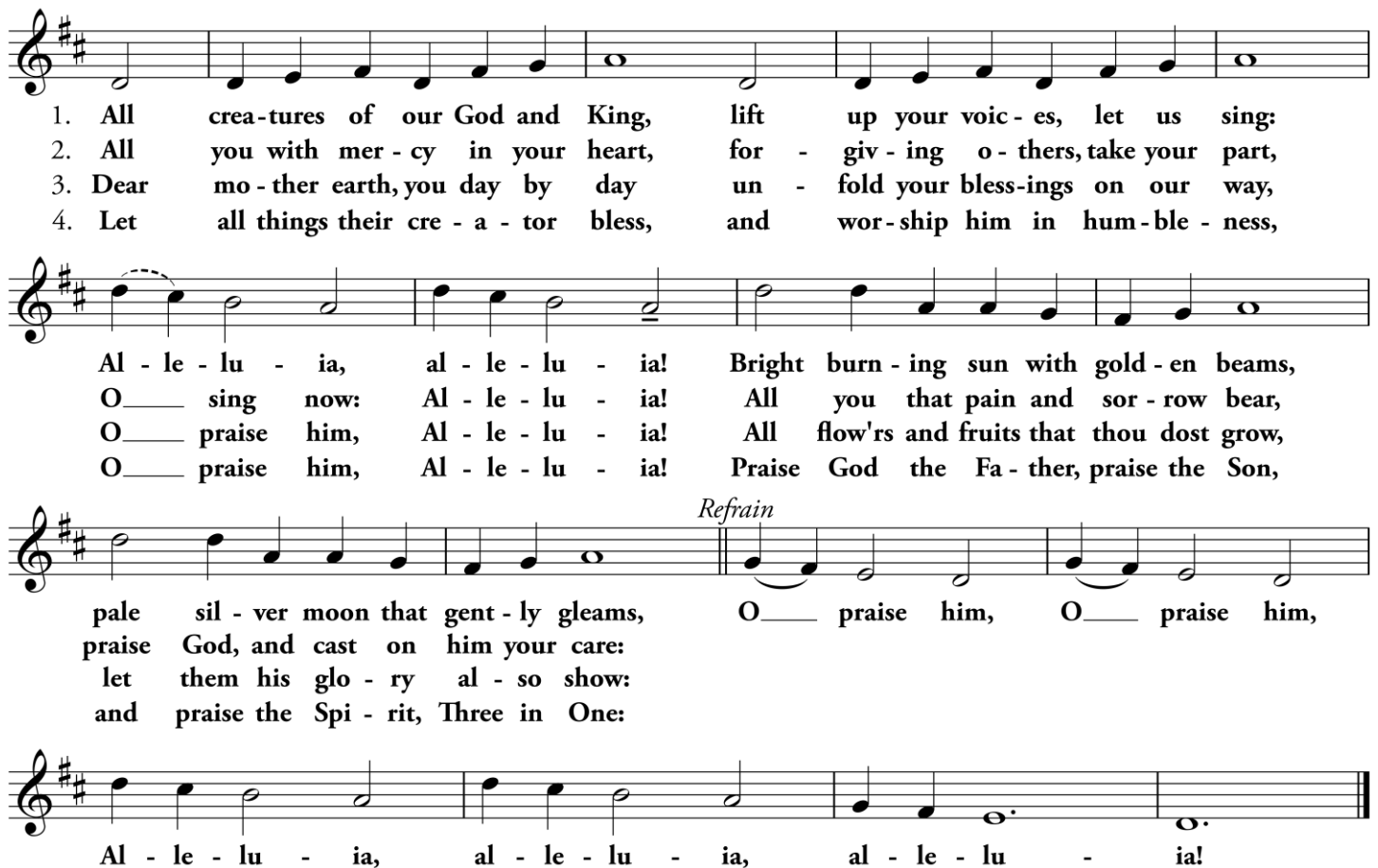
Jeremy David Tarrant (b. 1974)

V. The Lord is in this holy temple;
R. Let all the earth keep silence.
V. Let us go forth in peace.
R. In the name of Christ. Amen.

All sing,

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lasst uns erfreuen



1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us sing:
2. All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your part,
3. Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless-ings on our way,
4. Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble - ness,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing sun with gold - en beams,
O___ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that pain and sor - row bear,
O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flow'rs and fruits that thou dost grow,
O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther, praise the Son,

Refrain
pale sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, O___ praise him, O___ praise him,
praise God, and cast on him your care:
let them his glo - ry al - so show:
and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

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

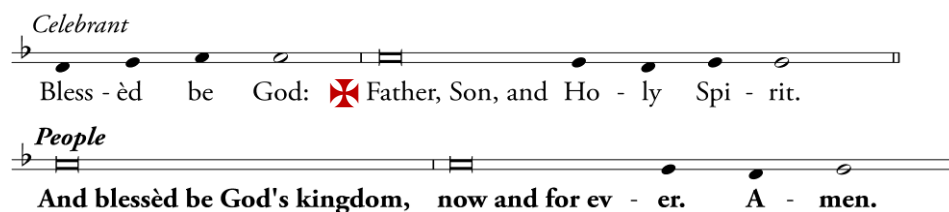
Words St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226); tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933), alt.

Music *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Gesitliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

WORDS OF WELCOME

Diverse People • Daily Relevance • Inspiring Space

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT



Celebrant
Bless - èd be God: ✠ Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People
And blessèd be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Celebrant We gather to honor the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, and to honor the animals who share our lives. St. Francis is the patron saint of animals and of ecology. Brother Francis gloried in the beauty of the world God created, and we recall many tales of his affection for animals and their trust in him. Today we thank God for the gifts of companionship and beauty which animals and pets bring to our lives and homes, and ask God's blessing on them.

THE LITANY OF CREATION

Celebrant In peace let us pray to the Lord.

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the animals that comfort us, delight us and give us companionship.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the animals that give us wool and feathers to keep us warm.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the animals that give us milk, cheese and eggs to help us grow and keep us healthy.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the animals that eat plants and fertilize the soil making it richer for new growth and life.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor For the gift of insects especially bees, to pollinate fruit and vegetable plants for us to eat and flowers to give us joy.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

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

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Intercessor That each pet here may be treasured with care;

People **We pray to you, Lord.**

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

People **We pray to you, Lord.**

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

People **O God, you have made us and all living things.**

You are even more wonderful than what you have made.

We thank you for giving us these pets who bring us joy.

As you take care of us, so also we ask your help

that we might take care of those who trust us to look after them.

By doing this, we share in your own love for all creation.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

✠ THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS ✠

Please be seated.

If you wish to have your pet blessed by a clergy member, please proceed to one of the three stations located at the Great Crossing at the front of the Nave. After your pet receives the following blessing, please return to your seat via the side aisles.

N., may you be blessed in the Name of God who created you,
and may you and your family/owner enjoy life together with our God.

As animals are brought up to be blessed, please join in singing,

HYMN

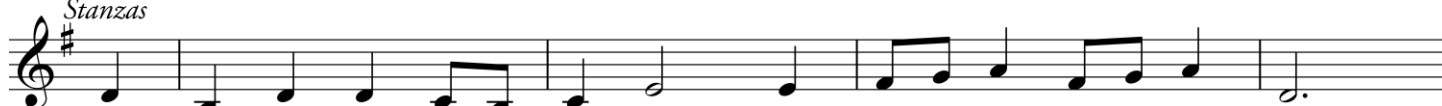
Royal Oak

Refrain



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,
all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

Stanzas



1. Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
2. The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ing by,
3. The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
4. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
he made their glow - ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky.
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - 'ry one.
how great is God Al - migh - ty, who has made all things well.

*Repeat
Refrain*

Words Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

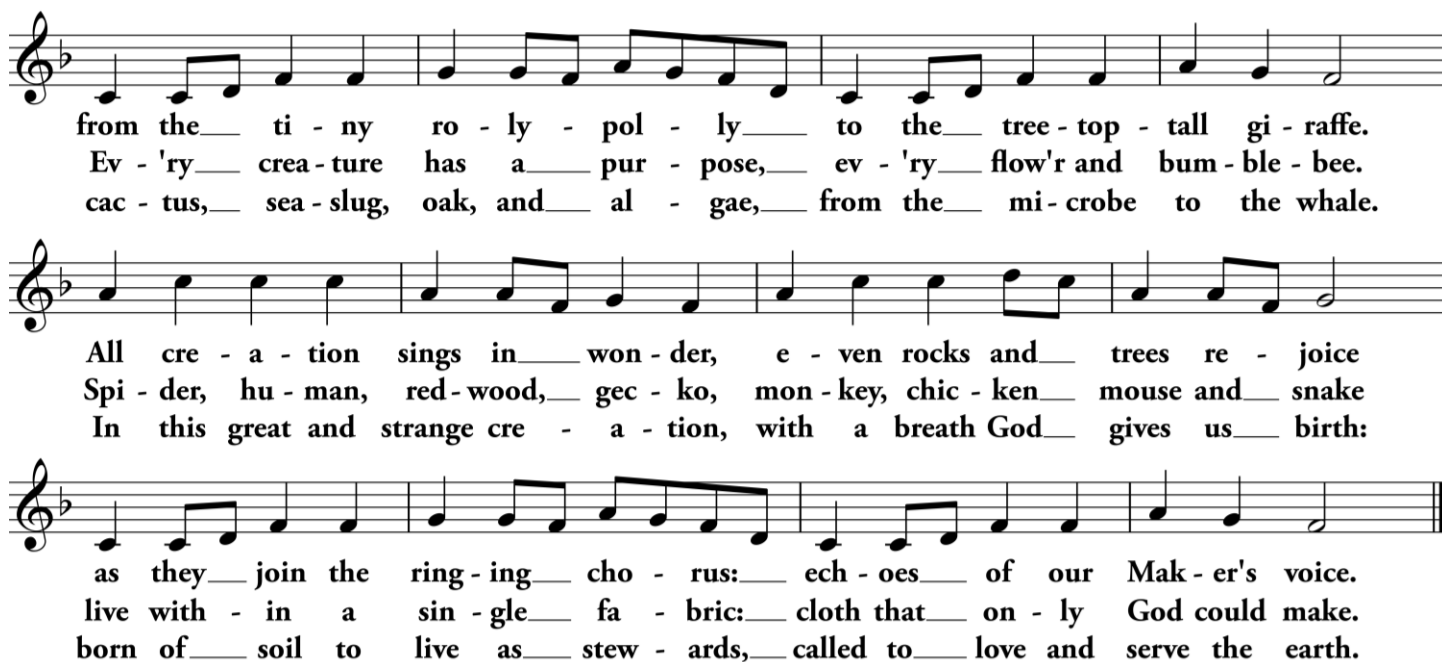
Music Royal Oak, melody from *The Dancing Master*, 1686; adapt. Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

HYMN

Holy Manna



1. Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,
2. Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.
3. Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - pol - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.
 Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.
 cac - tus, sea - slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.

All cre - a - tion sings in won - der, e - ven rocks and trees re - joice
 Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, gec - ko, mon - key, chic - ken mouse and snake
 In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:

as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.
 live with - in a sin - gle fa - bric: cloth that on - ly God could make.
 born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

Words Adam M. L. Tice (b. 1979)

Music Holy Manna, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

✠ THE WORD OF GOD ✠

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

MOST HIGH, ALMIGHTY LORD, OUR 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. Be praised for the joy our pets bring to us. May we take care of them and may they be healthy. O God, your world is wonderful. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 21:1-5

THEN I SAW A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, pre-pared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able and join in singing the Sequence Hymn on the following page.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Roeder



1. God of the spar - row, God of the whale, God of the swirl - ing stars. _____
2. God of the earth - quake, God of the storm, God of the trum - pet blast. _____
3. God of the rain - bow, God of the cross, God of the emp - ty grave. _____
4. God of the hun - gry, God of the sick, God of the pro - di - gal. _____
5. God of the neigh - bor, God of the foe, God of the pru - ning hook. _____



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| How does the crea - ture say: 'Awe.' _____ | How does the crea - ture say: 'Praise.' _____ |
| How does the crea - ture cry: 'Woe.' _____ | How does the crea - ture say: 'Save.' _____ |
| How does the crea - ture say: 'Grace.' _____ | How does the crea - ture say: 'Thanks.' _____ |
| How does the crea - ture say: 'Care.' _____ | How does the crea - ture say: 'Life.' _____ |
| How does the crea - ture say: 'Love.' _____ | How does the crea - ture say: 'Peace.' _____ |

Words Jaroslav J. Vajda (1919-2008)

Music Roeder, Carl F. Shalk (1929-2021)

THE GOSPEL

Saint Matthew 6:25-34

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew ✠.

People Glory to you Lord, Christ.

JESUS SAID, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you — you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Mark D. Heaney

Please stand as you are able as we say together,

THE 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 PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People

And also with you!

✠ THE HOLY COMMUNION ✠

DONATE WITH E-GIVING HERE:



We are now prepared for the miracle of the Holy Communion. The Offertory gives us a chance to offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, in the money we give, and spiritually in the offering of ourselves. The Cathedral thanks you for your generosity, which allows the clergy, staff, and congregation to continue to minister to Detroit and the greater metropolitan region.

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Judith Weir (b. 1954)

I LOVE all beauteous things, I seek and adore them;
God hath no better praise, and man in hasty days
Is honored for them.

I too will something make and joy in the making;
Altho' tomorrow it seem like the empty words of a dream
Remembered on waking.

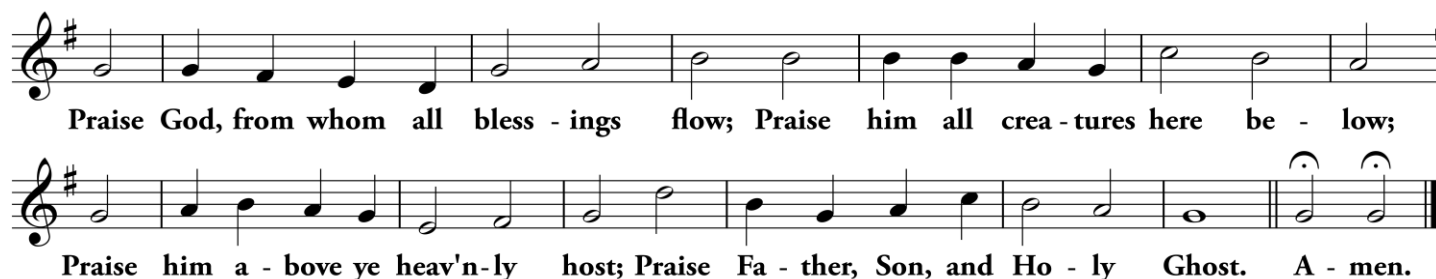
Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

Please stand as you are able as the Offering is brought forward.

All sing,

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

Old Hundredth



Words Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music Old Hundredth, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

The Celebrant continues,

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

All sing,

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

The musical score is written for Organ and Congregation. It consists of four staves. The first two staves are for the Sanctus, and the last two are for the Benedictus. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Organ *Congregation*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might.____

Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Organ *Congregation*

✠ Bless - èd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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." ✠

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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." ✠

Celebrant Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept, after which all sing,

AGNUS DEI

Jeremy David Tarrant (b. 1974)

The musical score for 'Agnus Dei' is written for Organ and Congregation. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The Organ part is indicated by a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Congregation part is indicated by a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Organ *Congregation*

O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy on us. O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy on us. O Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world, grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

ABOUT RECEIVING COMMUNION Please know that this is God's table and *any person seeking to be fed from it will not be turned away*. To receive the consecrated bread, extend your hands and it will be placed in your palm. Should you choose to receive the consecrated wine, you may guide the chalice gently to your mouth taking a small sip. *Those desiring gluten-free bread should ask the clergy when coming forward for Communion*. Anyone may come forward and receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest as you approach the clergy-person distributing communion. *After making your communion, please return to your seat by using the side aisles*.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING, for you or another, are offered by trained lay ministers in St. Barnabas & Nativity Chapel (at the front, *RIGHT* side of the Nave) during Communion. **Anointing oil** is also available as part of these prayers for those who wish.

The Choir sings,

AT THE COMMUNION, MOTET

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

GRANT us thy peace, Almighty Lord,
thou source of every blessing!
Feeble and frail, trust we Thy word,
all things in Thee possessing.
In Thee is our hope and safety.

Paraphrase of *Da pacem Domine* by Martin Luther (1438-1546)

Remaining seated all join the Choir where indicated.

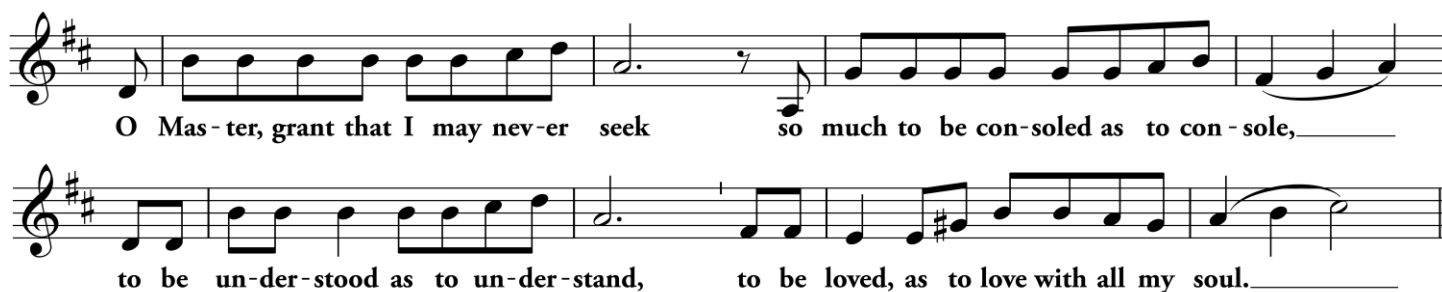
HYMN

MAKE me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred let me bring your love,
Where there is injury, your pardon,
Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand
to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

2. Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life let me bring hope,
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.
O Master, grant...

3. Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
in dying that we're born to eternal life.
All sing the following Refrain and Stanza 4.





Words A Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Music Sebastian Temple (1928-1997) arr. Martin Neary (1940-2025)

✠ THE SENDING RITE ✠

When Communion is completed, we pray together,

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Please kneel as you are able, while saying,

ETERNAL GOD, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MOMENT FOR MISSION

Please stand, as you are able.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Dismissal is given and the People respond,

Thanks be to God!

Please remain standing as the Procession exits the Cathedral during the Voluntary.

ORGAN

Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 657

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THIS MORNING'S GUEST PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. Mark D. Heaney, LPC is an honorably retired minister of the Presbyterian Church (USA). He is happily married to Judy and has four children and six grandchildren. He received his ministerial training from Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div.) and Phillips Theological Seminary (D. Min.). He has served a variety of parishes as full and part-time pastor. For the past 25 years has had a counseling practice in Oklahoma, Inner Peace Pastoral Counseling. He continues to see a few clients on a part-time basis.

COFFEE HOUR

Following this morning's liturgy, we hope you join us for fellowship and refreshments during Coffee Hour in Barth Hall, which is hosted today by Bren O'Connor.

INTERCESSIONS & THANKSGIVINGS

We give thanks for Cathedral parishioners and friends celebrating birthdays this week: Jehu, Carson, Judy, Onyinyechi, Gaylynn, and Atticus.

We pray for the repose of Thomasine Ward.

We lift up those for whom prayers have been requested: Gregory, Ron, Mike, Judy, Nancy, Karen, Terry, Charlene, Anthony, Gwen, Corris, Alan, Lydia, Shirley, David, Richard, Jayasuresh, Prema, Dave, Ralph, Joan, Mary, Dean, Jim & Family, Monica & Family, George, Liam, Karen & Tom, Wes, Angela, Marilyn, Anthony, Casey, Māra, and Janet. You may add yourself or a loved one to this list by calling 313.833.4409 or e-mailing us: info@detroitcathedral.org.

We pray for those in uniform serving our country at home and abroad. We pray for peace throughout the world. Hasten, O Lord, our commitment to justice and peace for all God's people. We pray for an end to the gun violence which plagues our nation. Give solace to grieving communities and bring peace to anxious hearts. Help us to remember that fervent prayer must be coupled with bold action.

We pray for Sarah, *Archbishop of Canterbury*; Sean, *Presiding Bishop*; Bonnie, *our Bishop*; for Yehiel, *Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*; Donald and Julie, *Lutheran Bishops in Lower Michigan*; and for Moisés, *Bishop of the Dominican Republic*. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints' Church, East Lansing; and Divine Grace Church, Puerto Plata, in the Dominican Republic.



CATHEDRAL WINDOWS

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THE FEEDING HUNGRY PEOPLE (FHP) COMMITTEE A long-standing committee for the past two decades, FHP serves food and provides support and care to our neighbors in need through acts of service at the Cathedral. It continues to operate to coordinate volunteers and community members interested in serving others through food and supportive services. We are proud to announce that Layla and Brandon King have accepted the roles of Chair and Co-Chair and will help the committee expand, grow, and become a hub of care and support at the Cathedral in Midtown Detroit. If you are interested in joining the FHP Committee and participating in its work to care for our community, please contact Layla King at layla.noor98@gmail.com.

SUNDAY EVENSONG SERVICES AT 4:00 P.M. Evensong is offered each Sunday at 4:00 p.m., alternating with Choral Evensong (*sung by one of the Cathedral Choirs*) and Cathedral Evensong (*sung by Cantors & Congregation*). We will also welcome a number of guest preachers to offer the homily throughout the season. Today's service of Cathedral Evensong will be in observance of The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

JOIN US FOR COMPLINE EVERY NIGHT AT 8:00 P.M. Compline is the final service of the day in the Christian tradition. It is a peaceful time of prayer, reflection, and thanksgiving before we rest for the night. Each evening at 8:00 p.m., the Cathedral community gathers on our **Facebook page** (*QR Code to the Right*) for Compline, led by the Dean of the Cathedral, lay leaders, and parishioners/members.

Whether you join us every night or simply stop by when you need a moment of peace, you are always welcome. Come as you are, pause from the busyness of the day, and close your evening with the Cathedral community. We look forward to seeing you online and remaining connected with you throughout the week.



CATHEDRAL CRAFTERS Cathedral Crafters meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 12:30 p.m. in the Cathedral Library, where we knit or do other needle crafts. Anyone who knits or would like to learn how to knit is welcome! For questions, please contact info@detroitcathedral.org

ACOLYTE TRAINING TODAY! 12:30–1:30 P.M. Current acolytes and interested individuals (including youth entering grade 4 & above) are encouraged to join Emery Dumas, Head Verger, on Sunday, October 4 in the Cathedral for an acolyte training and refresher course. Acolytes play a vital role in the liturgy by ensuring the church is prepared for worship by lighting candles, leading processions, carrying the processional cross, etc. New acolytes are paired with experienced acolytes for further training. You are able to choose how often you serve. *If interested, please email Emery Dumas at emeryja21@hotmail.com or call/text 231.590.6720.*

THE NEXT MUSIC @ MID-DAY CONCERT – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 12:30 P.M. The Cathedral's Organist & Choirmaster, Jeremy David Tarrant will offer a free, 30-minute organ recital. A complete schedule of concerts can be viewed by taking a booklet from the Narthex or Gallery, as well as using this link: <https://tinyurl.com/MusicatMidDay2627>



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 12:30 – 1:30 P.M. If you are interested in being a licensed Eucharistic Minister here at the Cathedral, please join us for our next Eucharistic Minister training on Sunday, October 11 in the Cathedral. Eucharistic Ministers assist the clergy in administering the sacrament during communion. There are few ministries of our Church inside, or outside, the liturgy which seem so simple or are as fulfilling to those whom God has called to service as the ministry of a Eucharistic Minister. Your ministry of administering the chalice is, at the same time, as simple as offering a sip from a cup, and as holy as giving to our sister or brother the very blood of Christ. *To sign up for this training, please email Head Verger, Emery Dumas at emeryja21@hotmail.com or call/text 231.590.6720.*

HONORING THOSE IN THE MEDICAL FIELD ON THE FEAST OF ST. LUKE – OCTOBER 18 The Cathedral has a long connection with our medical community and the Detroit Medical Center. We will honor all who work in the medical community, in any capacity, on St. Luke's Day. From doctors and nurses and therapists, to first responders and office personnel – everyone working in the medical field, we wish to honor you. Please reach out and let us know who you are by e-mailing Erin in the Cathedral Office at info@detroitcathedral.org

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE & ALTAR OF THE DEAD On Sunday, November 1st we will celebrate the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls. As part of that celebration, we would ask that you write the names of your loved ones you want listed in our Book of Remembrance on the clipboards provided in the Gallery or by e-mailing Erin in the Cathedral Office at info@detroitcathedral.org by Tuesday, October 27. In addition to the Book of Remembrance, we will create an Altar of the Dead. This tradition has its origin in the Hispanic culture's Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), a holiday that honors departed family members. Ofrendas (Altars) are traditionally decorated with bright flowers, candles, incense, photos, and favorite foods and drinks of those being honored. If you would like to drop off pictures, mementos, or other items for the altar, please bring them to the Cathedral Office by Wednesday, October 28.

UPCOMING DINNER CHURCH & REEL FAITH: "THE CHOSEN" This past Lent and summer we started a new Adult Formation opportunity. The response was so incredible and overwhelming, that its return was requested for the Fall of 2026. So, back by popular demand, is our Dinner Church & Formation series focusing on "The Chosen," an amazing, biblically-centered television series. This mini-series places us within the historical setting of Jesus' days on earth, while offering us an opportunity to gain a deeper insight into his life and ministry in a new and provocative manner. This formation class will be supported by reading of the Gospels; reflection on poignant questions; and engaging group interaction! We invite new and returning participants to join us on Wednesdays beginning, October 21 through November 18. Eucharist and Dinner begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by Formation from 6:45-8:00 p.m.

WILLIAMS PAVILION LITTLE FOOD PANTRY A HUGE thank you to each person who is contributing to our Free Little Pantry at Williams Pavilion. Your continued support of this ministry helps meet the needs of residents that might not be otherwise met. *Please continue to take sticky notes and donate items. This will be an ongoing ministry of the Cathedral!* Williams Pavilion is a housing community in Detroit that provides affordable apartments for low-income senior citizens, and we are excited to introduce the *Williams Pavilion Little Food Pantry*, which will support residents who live on fixed income and will help to supplement necessary items. Donation items are posted on the bulletin board in the Gallery. Please take a sticky note with the needed item and return the purchased item to the cart under the bulletin board.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR? Adults desiring to learn more about participation in the Cathedral choirs are warmly invited to contact Canon Tarrant at music@detroitcathedral.org, or by calling 313.833.7547.

FALL 2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN Our Annual Stewardship campaign has begun with this year's theme being Live Testimonies: Stewarding Our Stories. Over the next five weeks this theme will be elaborated on in letters, emails, and a video from our Stewardship Committee members. In the weeks leading up to the Ingathering of Pledges on Sunday, November 1st, we will make every effort to inform and inspire your financial commitment. On that day we ask you to attend worship, place your commitment for the future mission and ministry of the Cathedral on the altar, and join in a Celebration Brunch after the 11:00 service. Thank you for all that you do for our church and for the world. We ask that you pray with us as we launch this campaign and, in prayer, consider what you can contribute to our work in 2027 and beyond.

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Cathedral Staff Meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Cathedral Crafters, 12:30 p.m. (*Library*)

Al-Anon, 1:00 p.m. (*Guild Room 1*)

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Spoken Holy Eucharist, 12:15 p.m. (*Grace Chapel*)

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

AA, 5:00 p.m.

Treble Choristers Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m.

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

Open Cathedral, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Music @ Mid-Day Concert: Jeremy Tarrant, 12:30 p.m.

Carr Center Concert, 7:30 p.m. (*Nave*)

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

Motor City Music Together, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Funeral for Ray Stilwell, 11:00 a.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

Pentecost XX

Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m. (*Nativity Chapel*)

Holy Eucharist with Hymns, 8:15 a.m. (*Nativity Chapel*)

Sung Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m. (*Nave*)

Coffee Hour follows the 11:00 service

Treble Choristers Rehearsal, 1:00 p.m.

Choral Evensong, 4:00 p.m. (*Nave*)

Compline, 8:00 p.m. *via Facebook*

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IN THIS MORNING'S LITURGY

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Very Reverend Joseph Alsay
<i>Preacher</i>	The Reverend Dr. Mark Heaney
<i>Verger</i>	Emery Dumas
<i>Acolytes</i>	Caleb Alsay, Matthew O'Brien, Linda O'Brien
<i>Lector</i>	Joe Poisson
<i>Intercessor</i>	Nancy Swearingen
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Bren O'Connor, Cheryl Currie-Wenskey, Emery Dumas, Daniel Cox
<i>Healing Minister</i>	David Baschal
<i>Asian Dragon</i>	Serena Klein, Makala Randolph, Uriel Sasser
<i>Costume Critters</i>	Amy Cox, Leslie Tumpkins, Donya Ray Gregg, Melissa Klein, Katherine Randolph
<i>Technology</i>	John LaDuke, Florence Williams
<i>Ushers</i>	Phillip Allmond, Jim Edwards
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Florence Williams, Linda O'Brien

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