

The Transitus of Saint Francis of Assisi



SAINT PATRICK-SAINTE ANTHONY CHURCH
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021

PART I – GATHERING TO REMEMBER THE DEATH OF FRANCIS

ORGAN PRELUDE

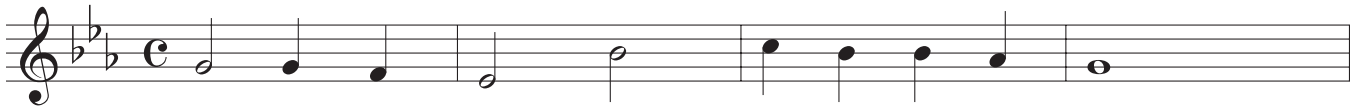
Chant de Paix

Jean Langlais, 1907-1991

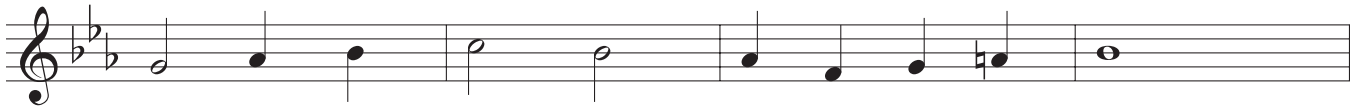
PROCLAMATION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

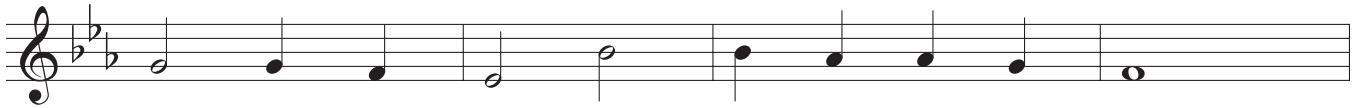
Abide with Me



1. A - bide with me! fast falls the e - ven - tide;
2. I need your pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour:
3. I fear no foe with you at hand to bless;
4. Hold then your cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide;
What but your grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
Ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
Shine through the gloom and shine point me to the skies?



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Who like your - self my guide and strength can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, your vic - to - ry?
Heav'n's morn - ing breaks and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me!
I tri - umph still, if you a - bide with me!
In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793-1847, alt.

Tune: 10 10 10 10; William H. Monk, 1823-1889

MOTET

Adoramus te, Christe

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525-1594

Adoramus te, Christe
et benedicimus tibi.
Quia per tuam sanctam crucem
redemisti mundum.
Miserere nobis.

*We adore you, O Christ,
and we bless you,
because, by your holy cross,
you have redeemed the world.
Have mercy upon us.*

Good Friday Antiphon, Roman Missal

PART II – THE GIFT OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS

BLESSING OF THE FRIARS

*After the Friars come forward to receive a blessing from the Guardian.
everyone is invite to come forward to receive a blessing from one of the Friars.*

CHORAL ANTHEM

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter, b. 1945

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light
of his countenance upon you
and give you peace.
Amen.

Book of Numbers 6: 24-26



PART III – THE SHARING OF THE BREAD

*After the bread has been blessed it will be shared with the congregation.
Please remain seated for the distribution of the bread.*

CHORAL ANTHEM

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold W. Friedell, 1905-1958

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name,
two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now they garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the Father, break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of thee,
that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.

Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936

PART IV – NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

THE READING OF THE GOSPEL

John 13: 1-15

PART V – BEGINNING AGAIN

PSALM 142

I Raise My Voice to God



1. I raise my voice to God, and cry a - loud in prayer;
2. Al - though my spir - it faints, the path I take you know;
3. I look to my right hand but no one knows me there;
4. "You are my re - fuge, Lord, my por - tion here be - low;"
5. Lord, lis - ten to my cry and save me speed - i - ly
6. From pris - on bring me out that your praise may a - bound.
7. To God the Fa - ther, Son, And Spir - it glo - ry be:



1. I pour out my com - plaint to God And tell of my de - spair.
2. They hid a trap up - on the way In which I seek to go.
3. I have no place where I may flee and no one seems to care.
4. I cry out to you, Lord, to hear for I have been brought low.
5. from those who fol - low in pur - suit, who are too strong for me.
6. When you deal gra - cious - ly with me the just will gath - er round.
7. Who was, and is, and shall be so for all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: A New Metrical Psalter, Christopher L. Webber, editor
Tune: SOUTHWELL, SM; William Daman, c. 1540-1591

HYMN

The Canticle of the Creatures

Philip W J Stopford

Refrain, sung by all:



Most High, all pow - er - ful, good Lord, Yours are the prais - es, the



glo - - - ry, and the hon - - - or, and all bless - - -



ing, To You a - lone, Most High, do they be - long.

1. Praised be to You, my Lord, with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun,
who is the day through whom You give us light.
And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendor,
and bears a likeness of You Most High One. *Refrain*

2. Praise be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars.
In heaven You formed them clear and precious and beautiful.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Wind,
and through the air, cloudy and serene, and all kind of weather,
through whom you give sustenance to Your creatures. *Refrain*

3. Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water
who is very useful and humble and precious and chaste.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Fire,
through whom You light the night.
And he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong. *Refrain*

4. Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth:
She sustains and governs us,
and produces fruits with colored flowers and herbs. *Refrain*

5. Praised be You, my Lord, through those who give pardon for Your love,
and bear infirmity and tribulation.
Blessed are those who endure in peace,
for by you, Most High, shall they be crowned. *Refrain*

6. Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death,
from whom no one living can escape.
Woe to those who die in mortal sin!
Blessed are those whom death will find in Your most holy will,
for the second death shall do them no harm. *Refrain*

After final Refrain:

Praise and bless my Lord and give Him thanks,
and serve Him with great humility. Amen.

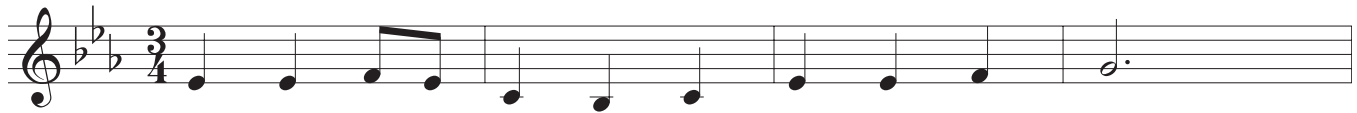
St. Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226



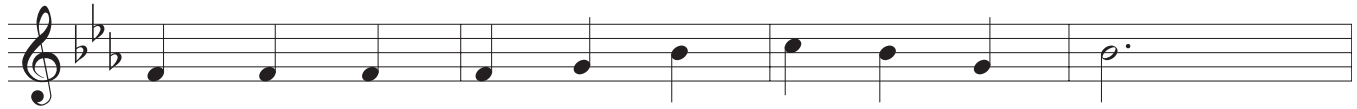
CLOSING PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

Be Thou My Vision



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'ns sun!



thou my best thought, by day or by night;
Thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be,
thou and thou on - ly first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing and I one with thee.
high King of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish hymn, 8th C.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935
Tune: SLANE, 10 10 10 10; Irish melody

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Allein Gott in der höh sei ehr, BWV 615

Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750

THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS

Fr. William Beaudin, O.F.M., Guardian
Fr. Michael Johnson, O.F.M.
Fr. John Leonard, O.F.M.
Fr. Timothy Shreenan, O.F.M.
Fr. A. Francis Soucy, O.F.M.

NARRATORS

Joan Osella
Susan Ring

MUSIC MINISTRY

The St. Patrick-St. Anthony Gallery Choir

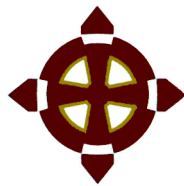
Greg Andrews	Zachary Gilbert*	Ellie McCormick**
Paige Blair*	Albert Hernandez	Sharon Miceli
Beverly Boyle	Allison Holst-Grubbe*	Eric Miller**
Paige Corral	Alex Hunt*	Grace Mittleman*
Sarah Davis*	Irene Kramer	Patrick Nay*
Suzanne Fournier	Gloria Lombardo	Michelle Ouchakof
J. Scott Galle	Michael McAvaney	Omar Sandakly*

* denotes Section Leader ** denotes Choral Scholar

Scott Lamlein, Organist
Gabriel Löfvall, Director

Cover Art: *Scenes from the Life of St Francis: 4. Death and Ascension of St Francis* (1325-28)
Giotto di Bondone (1267-1337), Bardi Chapel, Santa Croce, Florence

Page 3: *St. Francis of Assisi, while being carried to his final resting place at Saint Mary of the Angels, blesses the town of Assisi in 1226* (1853)
Francois Leon Benouville (1821-1859), Musée D'Orsay, Paris



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