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AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION

What is the Blessing of Animals?

The Blessing of Animals service is a worship service celebrating the animals with which we share our lives. To "bless" means to ask God's favor upon, or to wish well. In contemporary times, since so many animals are treated as commodities and are abused and neglected, we think it is essential that people be made aware that these creatures are an integral part of God's creation. They are deserving of our loving stewardship. Equally important, it gives people a chance to express their mutually loving relationship with their companion animals. It validates for them that God can speak to us through other living beings, as well as humans. The blessing reminds of us of Divine ecology.

What is the theological background of the service?

The service recognizes the ideals of St. Francis of Assisi, one of the most loved Christian saints. Francis of Assisi, was a 13th century Italian monk who developed penance as a lifestyle because of his ever growing fascination with the glory of God. He spent much time in contemplation about the incarnation and the passion of Jesus. As he began to contemplate the delicate nature of humanity's freedom, he noticed that the creatures around him were less free; yet they seemed to obey the will of the creator perfectly. While he sensed periodic inhumanity in himself, he never sensed that same betrayal of nature within creatures. He became inspired by them. He sought to understand his own nature that he might obey it as the animals obeyed their nature. He blessed them for their beauty and obedience. They taught him, and led him to seek God's will for his own life.

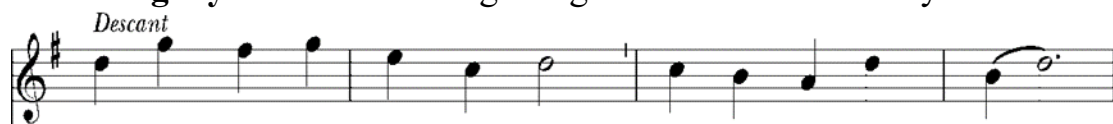
Jesus said faith the size of a mustard seed can uproot a tree and cast it into the sea. What do you suppose "thinking outside of the box" might do for St. Francis' Church?

If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, nothing will be impossible for you.



The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Gathering Hymn All Things Bright and Beautiful Hymnal 405



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea-tures great and small,



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



- 1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
- 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning 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 - ery one.
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

The Word of God

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

EOW 50

The Celebrant then says

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.**

Rejoice in the Lord always

Scriptures for Singing

Musical score for "Rejoice in the Lord always" in F major, 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (F major), and a common time signature. The melody begins with a quarter note on F4, followed by quarter notes on G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics are "Re - joyce in the Lord al - ways; And a - gain I say, re -". The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note on Bb4, followed by quarter notes on A4, G4, F4, and E4. The lyrics are "joyce. Re - joyce in the Lord al - ways; And a - gain I say, re -". The third staff is marked "Chorus" and begins with a quarter note on F4, followed by quarter notes on G4, A4, and Bb4. The lyrics are "joyce. (C) Re - joyce, re - joyce, And a - gain I say, re -". The fourth staff continues the chorus with a quarter note on C5, followed by quarter notes on Bb4, A4, G4, and F4. The lyrics are "joyce. Re - joyce, re - joyce, And a - gain I say, re - joyce." Chord symbols are placed above the notes: F, C7, F, Dm, Gm, C, F, C7, Dm, Gm, C7, F.

The Collect of the Day

This prayer collects or gathers together our individual thoughts into one prayer. The Celebrant first greets the people and the people greet the minister.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.**

The Liturgy of the Word

All sit for the Lessons. The Reader says

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

1: 24 - 31a

Then God commanded, "Let the earth produce all kinds of animal life: domestic and wild, large and small" - and it was done. So God made them all, and He was pleased with what He saw. Then God said, "And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small." So God created human beings, making them to be like Himself. He created them male and female. He blessed them and said, "Have many children, so that your descendants will live all over the earth and bring it under their control. I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all the wild animals. I have provided all kinds of grain and all kinds of fruit for you to eat; but for all the wild animals and for all the birds I have provided grass and leafy plants for food" - and it was done. God looked at everything He had made, and He was very pleased. (*Good News Translation*)

At the conclusion of the reading, the Reader says

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

Psalm 148: 7 – 14

Laudate Dominum

BCP 806

The Leader reads the first line to the asterisk then all say the remainder of the psalm together.

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will;

9 Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds;

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, * old and young together.

13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, * for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians

6: 14-18

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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the Reader says

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

All stand

Hymn before the Gospel

Renew 302

Unison

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the
moun-tains and the hills will break forth be-fore you; there'll be shouts of joy,
and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, the
trees of the field will clap their hands, the trees of the field will
clap their hands while you go out with joy.

* x = clap hands.

The Gospel

The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time Jesus said, I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’
11:25-30

The Gospel of our Savior
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon (*Children and Adult*)

Fr. Alfred Jewson

The Blessing of Pets

The Celebrant says

Let us give thanks to God, our Creator, for all the gifts he has given us.

All say together

We thank you God, for the sun and moon, the stars and planets. We thank you God, for wind and cloud, rain and sun. We thank you God for water - to drink, to play in, to bathe in and for baptism. We thank you Lord for fire that gives us light in darkness and warmth. We thank you Lord for Mother Earth who feeds us and protects us. We thank you for flowers, trees, grass, bushes. We thank you Lord for our pets you have entrusted to us. They bring us such joy, they calm us, make us laugh, play with us and keep us safe. We thank you Lord for all animals on the earth, & for the fish and birds that give us food, help us with our work, entertain us. Help us be good stewards of your creation and continually find joy and wonder in all your works. These things we ask in your Son's Name. Amen.

At this time the priest and deacon will go from pet to pet, ask for the name of the animal and will pray the following blessing:

Bless, O Lord, (*name of animal*) and fill the hearts of its owners with thanksgiving for its being. Amen.

Confession of Sin

EOW 56

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept, then the Minister and People say

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Celebrant gives the Absolution from sin.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

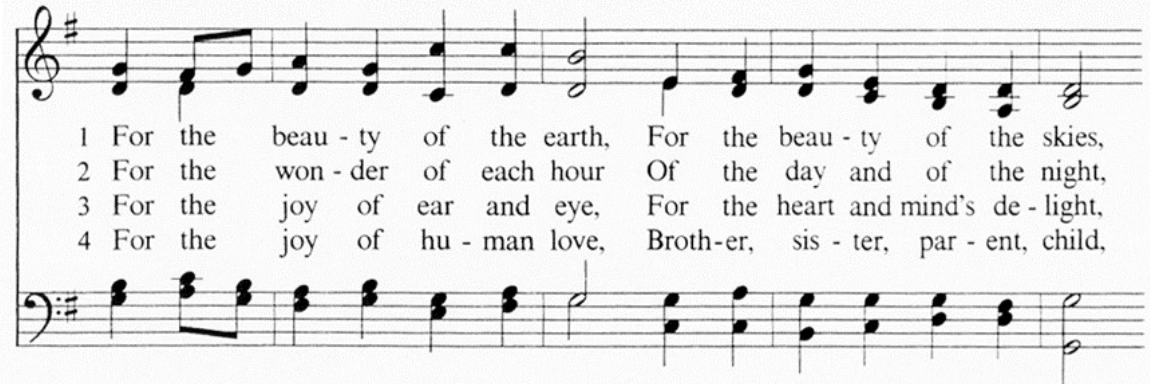
The Celebrant begins the Offertory with these words

Sisters and brothers, let us offer ourselves living sacrifices to God.

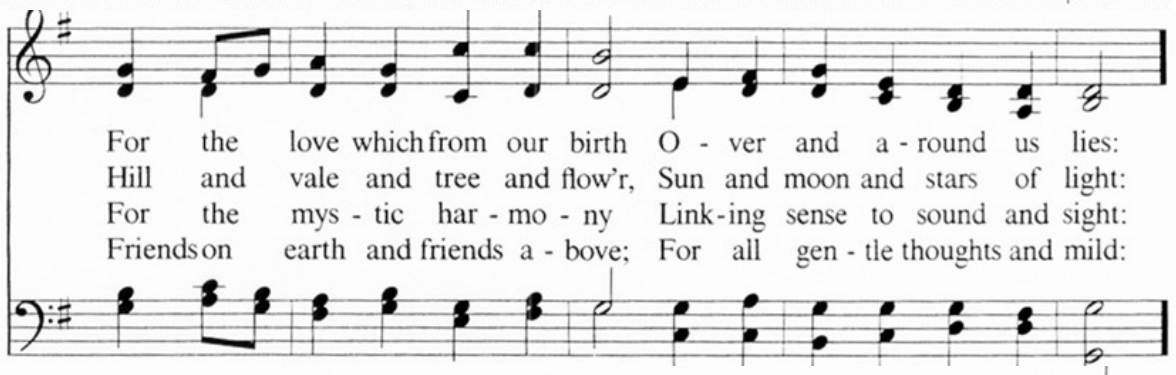
Offertory Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Hymnal 416



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, For the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,



For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies:
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon and stars of light:
For the mys - tic har - mo - ny Link - ing sense to sound and sight:
Friends on earth and friends a - bove; For all gen - tle thoughts and mild:



Refrain
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise This our sac - ri - fice of praise.

The Doxology

The people stand while the bread and wine and money offerings are presented and placed on the altar. The bread and wine will become the gift of Christ to us. Our money offerings will become one of the gifts we offer back to Christ.

The following is said

Now to the great and sacred Three
The Father, Son, and Spirit be
Eternal power and glory given,
Through all the worlds, where God is known
By all the angels near the throne
And all the saints in earth and heaven. *Celtic Doxology*

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP 372

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

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.

Then the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember _____ and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have asked for our prayer, especially _____. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, especially _____ and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Francis and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

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

People and Celebrant

**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.**

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Breaking of the Bread

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

Then the following is said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please note the Consecrated Bread and Wine will be brought to you today.

Communion Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Gather 524

Verses 1, 2, 4



1. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
2. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
4. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha - tred, let me bring your love. Where
 there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
 is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned, in



there is in - ju - ry, your par-don, Lord, And
 there is dark - ness, on - ly light, And
 giv - ing of our - selves that we re - ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.
 where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.
 dy - ing that we're born to e - ter-nal life.

Verse 3



3. Oh, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek So much to be con-



soled as to con - sole. To be un-der-stood as to un-der -



stand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitors

Deacon sends forth Eucharistic Visitors to bring Holy Communion to the homebound and infirm.

In the healing name of Jesus, you the members of St. Francis' Church send forth *name* bearing these holy gifts of bread and wine that *name* may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.

Prayer after Communion

BCP 833

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is discord, union;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

**Grant that we 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.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn **All Creatures of Our God and King**
Verses 1, 4, 5, 7

Hymnal 400



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:

Refrain



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



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

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Announcements

Dismissal

The Deacon sends us into the world to serve God.

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Our worship has ended-our service begins!

Stewardship of Life

St. Paul writes "I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." Romans 12:1-8

How healthy are you? Paul reminds us that we need to be stewards of our physical bodies and do our best to keep them holy and acceptable to God. Is your diet healthful? Do you consume alcohol only in moderation? Do you exercise? Get enough sleep? Do you smoke? What can you do to be a better steward of your health?



*Donna & Joe Bernert-
October 9*



Roger Reese-October 8
Joe O'Reilly-October 10
Sarah Quade-October 12

Prayer List and Rota

Homebound parishioners: Noel Choweller and Roger Shaw

Weekly Prayer Rota: Kat Bogomolov, Jim Bowlin, Linda Carter, Laurie Dailey, and Ann & Jack Doerr

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The people and ministry of Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, Lake St. Louis and Lu-Anne, their rector

Companion Diocese of Lui, South Sudan: Amadi Parish, and Charles, their priest

For our parishioners:

Paddy Wrob & George Vits	Jackie, Caitlin & Cristin Selle
Roger Reese	Jack Doerr
Annie Rayman	Fr. Al Jewson
Linda Doolittle	Rocco Regnier
Sheila McCart	

For those serving in our military, especially Kat Bogomolov.

For those who have asked for prayers:

Deacon Dayna Jewson	Deacon Bryan England
The Ghandi family	Jim Lorraine
Darla Becker	Carmen Archer
Barbara Tovrea	Charlie Ray
John McDonald	Frank Baldwin
Ryan & Lauren Smith	Sue
Bill Moran	Josephine Hall

Those who have died:

Jean Jewson, Fr. Al's sister, died Sept. 22, 2019

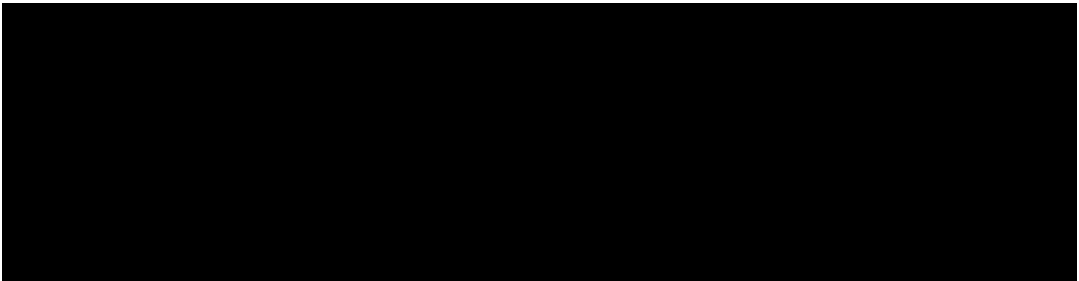
Robert Bockhorst, Linda Doolittle's brother-in-law, died Sept 23, 2019

This Week at St. Francis' Church

<p>Sunday October 6 Feast of St. Francis Proper 22</p>	<p>10:15 am 11:30 am 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Holy Eucharist-Feast of St. Francis; Mass in the Grass & Pet Blessing Eucharistic Minister Training <i>Al-Anon- Community Room</i></p>
<p>Monday October 7</p>	<p>5:00 pm 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Evening Prayer & Intercessions Worship & Music Committee</p>
<p>Tuesday October 8</p>	<p>8:30 am 10:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Morning Prayer <i>Al Anon—Children's Room</i> Women's Group-Marsha Smith's home <i>Overeaters' Anonymous – Community Room</i></p>
<p>Wednesday October 9</p>	<p>1:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Crafternoon – Community Room Centering Prayer Tutoring</p>
<p>Thursday October 10</p>	<p>8:30 am 1:00 pm 6:45 pm</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Chalice Meeting <i>AA—Community Room</i></p>
<p>Friday October 11</p>	<p>10:00 am 10:00 am</p>	<p>Bible Study – Community Room <i>OPEN 12 Step OA – Children's Room</i></p>
<p>Saturday October 12</p>	<p>7:00 am</p>	<p><i>AA—Community Room</i></p>
<p>Sunday October 13</p>	<p>8:00 am 10:15 am 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Pony Express Starts <i>Al-Anon- Community Room</i></p>

Today's Ministers of Worship

Celebrant	The Rev. Alfred Jewson
Deacon	The Ven. Rebecca Barger
Musician	Cheryl Foster
Choir Director	Max Starbuck
Altar Guild	Kathleen O'Reilly
Usher	Chris Kinder
Acolyte	Jerry Smith
Lectors	Kathleen McDonald & Joe O'Reilly
Eucharistic Minister	Barb Sacco
Eucharistic Visitor	Paddy Wrob
Tellers	Joe O'Reilly & Brenda Russell
Announcements	Sylvia Ahmad



Scripture Questions for Individual or Group Bible Study

Feast of St. Francis, Patronal Feast

Genesis 1: 24-31a

1. What is Christ's role in creation? (Cf. Colossians 1:15-20)
2. How does Genesis help you to appreciate the nature and work of Christ?
3. What can you do to help protect the beauty, diversity and fragility of the world God created?

Galatians 6: 14-18

1. What does it mean to have the cross as your model in your daily life?
2. What does it mean to: "boast" in the cross of Jesus?
3. Is this boasting part of your journey?

Matthew 11: 25-30

1. Why would Jesus say that truth was revealed to infants and not the wise and intelligent? (Cf. Matthew 11: 7-19)
2. Why are oxen yoked? Is Jesus inviting us to be yoked to him? What purpose would this serve?
3. How does taking Jesus' yoke a means to rest?

Readings for Next Sunday: October 13, 2019

First Lesson: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Psalm 66:1-11

Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

The Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Bishop Wayne Smith Names New Archdeacon



Bishop Wayne Smith is pleased to announce the appointment of the Venerable Rebecca Barger as the Archdeacon of the Diocese of Missouri.

Rebecca was ordained to the Diaconate in November of 2014 and is serving at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Eureka, where she will continue to serve while taking on her new responsibilities. Her appointment is for a three-year term.

In her ministry serving as Archdeacon, Rebecca anticipates assisting in the growth, development and placement of deacons, as well as serving as a pastoral presence to all deacons.

Congratulations, Deacon Rebecca!



October 31

6:00-8:00 pm

St. Francis' Church parking lot

Please don't forget to sign up to participate in this fun event! The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. There are many ways to help!

Children will be able to participate in games and crafts in addition to "trick or treating" at various stations on the parking lot.

For more information, please contact Caitlin Selle at caitlinselle@gmail.com.

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