



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023
THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Why do we always use St. Clare's name in the Eucharistic Prayer?

During the Eucharistic Prayer each week, we ask God to bring us together with "St. Francis, St. Clare, and all the saints." Why do we name St. Clare?

St. Francis of Assisi and St. Clare were friends drawn together by their passionate love for God who became partners in ministry.

Francis and Clare were born to wealthy families in 12th century Assisi in central Italy. Both lived in comfort until a calling from God changed their lives. Francis was the first to be changed. Through a series of dreams, he knew God was calling him to serve others. He realized he had a choice: live a life of comfort and wealth, or live a life of sacrifice and service to God. He chose the latter, and dedicated himself to prayer, service, poverty and preaching to anyone who would hear him speak.

Clare was young, innocent and in love with life when she learned that Francis had decided to deny his possessions and leave the riches of youth behind. She desired to join him in this simple way of life, imitating him not only because of his example but also because of his words that were filled with the love of God. When she was 18 years old, she decided to do the same thing Francis had done. She left all that was familiar and safe to serve Christ alongside him.

With the help of friends who joined them along the way, they worked together to help anyone they met who was struggling and in despair.

Years later, nearing the end of his life, Francis was sheltered by Clare in a hut of branches in her church at San Damiano. She was near him at his death.

Because Francis and Clare are united in their ministry which made God's love for the vulnerable visible, we unite them in name during the Eucharistic Prayer.

THE COVER ART

Mural "Clare and Francis": Poor Clares Holy Sacrament Monastery, Canide, Brazil

PRELUDE 10:30 only

WELCOME



OPENING ACCLAMATIONS Stand

Presider We meet in the name of God,

Creator of the universe,

source of True humanity.

Mother and Father of all.

People Amen.

Presider We meet in the name of Jesus,

Word made flesh,

Savior of fallen humanity,

lover of all.

People Amen.

Presider We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit,

Lord and giver of life,

Midwife of new humanity,

Inspirer of all.

People Amen.

Presider Come then, eternal God,

People Be present here,

Befriend us here,

Renew us here.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no se-

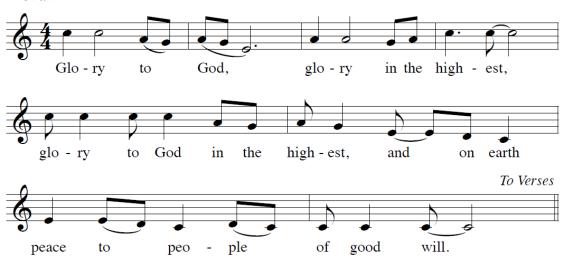
crets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;

through Christ our Lord.

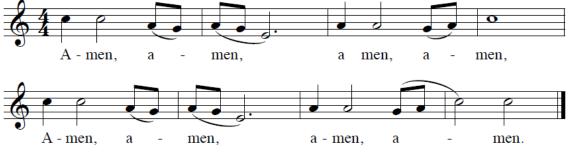
People Amen.

GLORIA At 8am, only refrain sung twice. At 10:30, all sung.

Refrain:



- We praise you,
 we bless you, we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory, for your great glory
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father. Refrain
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us. Refrain
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. To Amen below



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Luke 13:20

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider God: Knead us, shape us, form and reform us, until we are wholly yours, that we may live

into the fullness of your will for us, to the honor and glory of your most blessed name.

People Amen.

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES Sit

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the book of Exodus.

17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin, the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."

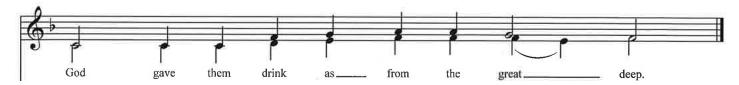
The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY At 8am, spoken. 78

At 10:30, cantor sings through once, congregation then joins.



- Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable;
 I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. ANTIPHON
- 3 That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children.
- We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done. ANTIPHON
- He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
- 13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; he made the waters stand up like walls. ANTIPHON
- 14 He led them with a cloud by day, and all the night through with a glow of fire.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink as from the great deep.
- 16 He brought streams out of the cliff, and the waters gushed out like rivers. ANTIPHON

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

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who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

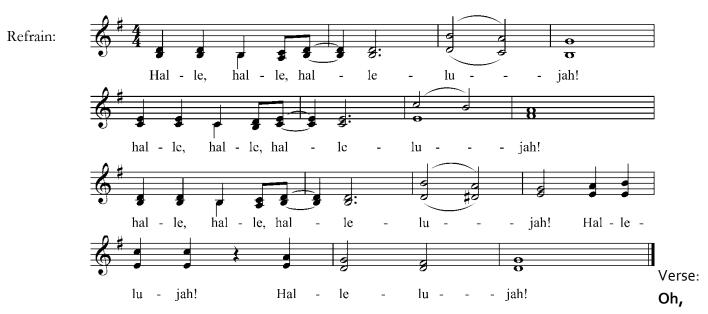
Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Antiphon Stand Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

At 8:00, since refrain only.



God to whom shall we go?

You alone have the words of life, Let your words be our prayer and the song we sing: Hallelujah, hallelujah. repeat refrain

THE GOSPEL

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

21:23-32

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON At 10:30 only, sing the refrain music on previous page one time through.

SERMON Sit

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

THE NICENE CREED Stand

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 human.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Siblings, the Lord is full of compassion and mercy. Let us then pray to the Lord, saying,

"You, O God, are our hope, we trust you hear us."

After each prayer, please respond "we trust you hear us."

Presider Reshape us, Good Lord, until in generosity and in faith and in expectation that the best is

yet to come, we are truly-Christ-like. Make us passionate followers of Jesus rather than passive supporters. Make our churches cells of radical discipleship and signposts to heav-

en, then in us, through us and-if needed be-despite us, let your kingdom come.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for a time.

People 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.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us offer each other a sign of that peace.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sit

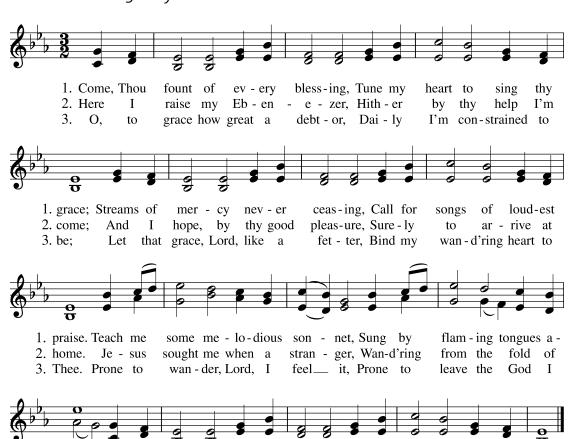
WE GATHER AT CHRIST'S TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

OFFERTORY 8:00 only COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

PERFORMED BY ELANYI

The congregation listens as the Deacon prepares the table.



- 1. bove. Praise the mount, O fix me on it. Mount of God's un-chang-ing love.
- 2. God. He, to save my soul from dan-ger, In ter posed His pre cious blood.
- 3. love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it from thy courts a bove.

The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand. 10:30 only

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to human-

kind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Say at 8am:

People Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sing at 10:30am:



The people stand or kneel.

Presider

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in

glory!

Presider Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to

us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with St. Francis, St. Clare and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

AMEN

Sing two times at 10:30.





^{*}Pronounced: Ay-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider 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.

but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

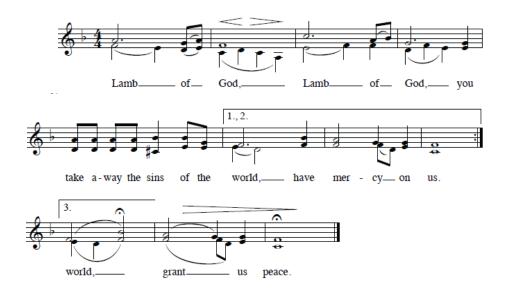
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM At 8am, spoken



Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Stand

Presider Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with

spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and con-

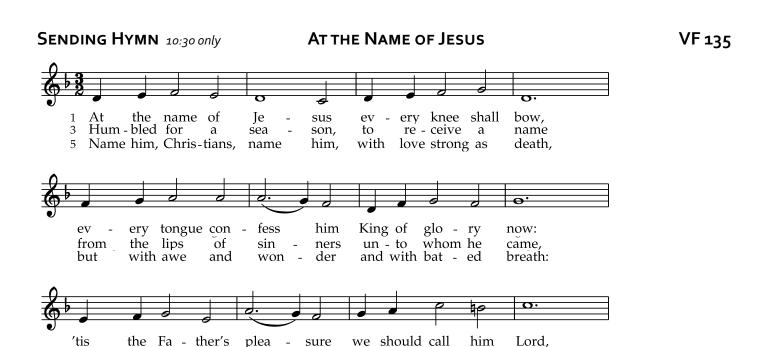
tinue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Presider The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's

hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

People Amen.



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DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in the name of Christ to love and serve the world!

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