

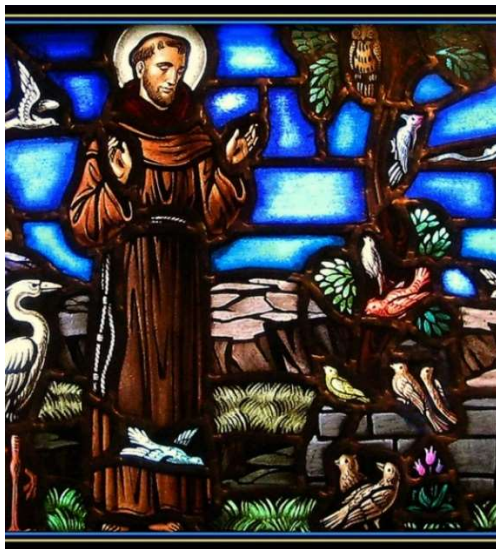


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Prayer of St Francis

“Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.”

St Francis with birds (Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, NJ, USA)

The Feast of St Francis of Assisi (Transferred)

5 October 2025

Solemn High Mass

Our Church stands on the unceded traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Algonquin Nation.

Organ Prelude

Pastoral

Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

Mass Setting

Missa Brevis No. 1 in Eb Major

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Gloria and Creed: Merbecke

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Opening Hymn

508 *Let us, with a gladsome mind*

Monkland

Introit Proper

The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom, and his tongue will be talking of equity : the law of his God is in his heart. *Ps.* Fret not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil doers. Glory be ... The mouth of the righteous ...

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Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the heart of your servant Francis kindled the flame of your love, give us, your humble servants, such faith and power of love, that as we rejoice in his triumph, we may profit by his example; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Job 39:1-18

‘Do you know when the mountain goats give birth? Do you observe the calving of the deer? Can you number the months that they fulfil, and do you know the time when they give birth, when they crouch to give birth to their offspring, and are delivered of their young? Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open; they go forth, and do not return to them.

‘Who has let the wild ass go free? Who has loosed the bonds of the swift ass, to which I have given the steppe for its home, the salt land for its dwelling-place? It scorns the tumult of the city; it does not hear the shouts of the driver. It ranges the mountains as its pasture, and it searches after every green thing.

‘Is the wild ox willing to serve you? Will it spend the night at your crib? Can you tie it in the furrow with ropes, or will it harrow the valleys after you? Will you depend on it because its strength is great, and will you hand over your labour to it? Do you have faith in it that it will return, and bring your grain to your threshing-floor?

‘The ostrich’s wings flap wildly, though its pinions lack plumage. For it leaves its eggs to the earth, and lets them be warmed on the ground, forgetting that a foot may crush them, and that a wild animal may trample them. It deals cruelly with its young, as if they were not its own; though its labour should be in vain, yet it has no fear; because God has made it forget wisdom, and given it no share in understanding. When it spreads its plumes aloft, it laughs at the horse and its rider.’

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

Levavi oculos.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: / O whence cometh my help?

² My help cometh even from the Lord, / who hath made heaven and

earth.

³ He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: / and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

⁴ Behold, he that keepeth Israel / shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The Lord himself is thy keeper: / the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

⁶ So that the sun shall not burn thee by day, / neither the moon by night.

⁷ The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: / yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

⁸ The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, / from this time forth for evermore.

Second Reading

Acts 4:32-35; 5:1-11

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

But a man named Ananias, with the consent of his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property; with his wife's knowledge, he kept back some of the proceeds, and brought only a part and laid it at the apostles' feet. 'Ananias,' Peter asked, 'why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back part of the proceeds of the land? While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, were not the proceeds at your disposal? How is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You did not lie to us but to God!' Now when Ananias heard these words, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard of it. The young men came and wrapped up his body, then carried him out and buried him.

After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter said to her, 'Tell me whether you and your husband sold the land for such and such a price.' And she said, 'Yes, that was the price.' Then Peter said to her, 'How is it that you have

agreed together to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out.’ Immediately she fell down at his feet and died. When the young men came in they found her dead, so they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. And great fear seized the whole church and all who heard of these things.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

472 *God of mercy, God of grace*

Heathlands

Gradual Proper

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus in the house of the Lord. *℟.* To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night-season. Alleluia. Alleluia. *℟.* Blessed is the man that endureth temptation : for when he is tried he shall receive a crown of life. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 10:5-19

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

✠ The Holy Gospel is written in the tenth chapter of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew, beginning at the fifth verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

These twelve disciples Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food.

Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

‘See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.

Offertory Hymn

359 *All creatures of our God and King* Lasst und Erfreuen

Prayer over the Gifts

God of love and justice, you make known your ways in the lives of your saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us to know your holy will and do it; through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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Communion Proper

Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents : behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. Well done, good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things : I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Communion Hymn

384 *Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts* Eisenach

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Alla Marcia Henry Coleman (1888-1965)

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