

Season of Creation

October 2, 2022

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- An asterisk (*) indicates times in worship when the congregation is invited to stand.

Today's bible readings celebrate the life and ministry of St. Francis, a follower of Jesus who devoted himself to serving the poor. October 4th is his feast day. Francis had a spirit of gladness and gratitude for all of God's creation. We pray today especially for two beloved children of God: Miles, washed in the water of new life, and Martha, called to shepherd the flock. Thanks be to God for the gift of life!

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Music

Welcome

*Baptism

We stand in the power of the name of God, who is the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.

As we gather near the font, we sing:

*Love is flowing.... from the fountain of life.
Peace is pouring... Mercy streaming...*

Presentation

Sponsor(s) present the candidates.

We present Miles Edward for baptism.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism of Miles Edward Briehl Gelles

... and of the Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of us all.

Amen.

... both now and forever.

Amen.

... and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Welcome

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ

and into the mission we share:

join us in giving thanks and praise to God

and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

*Greeting

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Job 12:7-10

A reading from the book of Job.

“Ask the animals, and they will teach you,
or the birds of the air, and they will tell you;
or speak to the earth, and it will teach you,
or let the fish of the sea inform you.

Which of these does not know that the hand of God has done this?
In God's hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all humanity.”

This is the word of life.

Thanks be to God.



God is the hope of all the ends of the earth.

Please rise to greet the Gospel.

***Gospel Acclamation**

1 – Unison; 2 – as a round



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***Gospel**

Matthew 11:25-30

The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 11th chapter.

Glory to you, O God.

Jesus said, “I thank you, Abba, ruler of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Abba, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Abba; and no one knows the Son except Abba God, and no one knows Abba God except the Son and those to whom the Son wants to give that revelation.

“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.”

This is the Good News.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Sermon

After the children’s sermon, children may go with their teacher to children’s church. Or, families may decide to keep children in worship. We love all ages in worship and leave it to the families to decide.

Sermon

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| 1 God the sculptor of the mountains,
God the miller of the sand,
God the jeweler of the heavens,
God the potter of the land:
you are womb of all creation,
we are formless; shape us now. | 3 God the dresser of the vineyard,
God the planter of the wheat,
God the reaper of the harvest,
God the source of all we eat:
you are host at ev'ry table,
we are hungry; feed us now. |
| 2 God the nuisance to the Pharaoh,
God the cleaver of the sea,
God the pillar in the darkness,
God the beacon of the free:
you are fount of all deliv'rance,
we are aimless; lead us now. | 4 God the unexpected infant,
God the calm, determined youth,
God the table-turning prophet,
God the resurrected truth:
you are present ev'ry moment,
we are searching; meet us now. |

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Installation

*Prayers of the People

Each petition will conclude with, “God of grace” and the congregation responds, “hear our prayer.”

At the end of these spoken prayers, or anytime during worship, you are invited to take a paper lily pad from the pew or pray-ground and add it to the river of life that flows from the waterfall on the southwest wall of the sanctuary, around the Chicago Ave. windows and also up the ramp to the plants and trees.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(The people greet each other: “Peace be with you.”)

Gathering our Gifts

All present, even those who contribute through automatic payments, are invited to lay hands upon the collection plate symbolizing their contributions. Those worshipping online may contribute on our website: <http://oursavioursmples.org>.

*Offertory

“Take My Life, That I May Be”

#583

Refrain/Estribillo

To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,
da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;
y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

*The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the living God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Sanctus

Call and Response

*Table Prayer

Call and Response

*Lord's Prayer

**Our Mother, our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution

All are welcome at Christ's table. We will serve from the front of each section. Ushers will guide you. After you have received bread, or a gluten free wafer, hold out your glass to the server and indicate whether you would like wine (the dark liquid), or grape juice (the light liquid in the second pitcher which has a shiny band attached to it). Please lower your mask and eat and drink. Those who do not commune may indicate a preference for a blessing.

Songs during Distribution

"Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"

#735

"By Your Hand You Feed Your People"

#469

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*Blessing

*Sending Song

"Go to the World"

ACS #991

1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Dismissal

Go in peace with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Today's Worship

Ministers:	You!
Presiding:	Ben Masters, Martha Schwehn Bardwell
Preaching:	John Rohde Schwehn
Assisting:	Deb Swenson-Klatt
Officiating:	John Hulden, Assistant to the Bishop
Reader:	Clara Owens
Accompanists:	Liza Johnson, Tom Witt
Parents:	Magdalena Wells and Evan Gelles
Sponsors:	Stephen and Sarah Lindley, Mary Preus and Tom Witt
Cantors:	Anna Rohde Schwehn, Liza Johnson, Mary Preus

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The Mission of the Month is the English Learning Center

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