The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
The Right Reverend Clifton Daniel III, Officiant
10th Dean, Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine
The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche, Preacher
XVI Bishop of New York
The Cathedral Choir, Chorale, & Choristers
Paul Winter, Artist in Residence

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Now I walk in beauty
Gregg Smith (1931–2016)

Now I walk in beauty
Beauty is before me
Beauty is behind me
Above and below me

Navajo Prayer

Mu Ge (Pastoral Song)
Mongolian folk melody,
arr. Qu Xixian (1919–2008)

牧歌/Mu Ge
翠绿的草地上哎跑着白羊，
羊群像珍珠洒在绿绒上。
无边的草原是我们的故乡，
白云和青天是我们的篷帐。
早霞迎接我自由地歌唱，
生活是这样幸福欢畅。

The sheep are running around on the green pastures,
Like pearls scattered on silk.
The vast field is our homeland,
The white clouds and clear sky are our encampment.
Daybreak welcomes my song,
Life is such bliss.

Mongolian folk song

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant  Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People    Glory to God for ever and ever.
OPENING HYMN

Sung by All.

Words: St. Francis of Assisi (1882–1226); tr. William H. Draper (1855–1933), alt.
Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 123; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)
Verse 4 descant: Paul Halley (b. 1952)

1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Al-le-ju-ia, al-le-ju-ia! Bright burning sun with golden beams,

2 Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a-loft, O praise him, Al-le-ju-ia! Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars Nightly shining, find a voice,

3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Al-le-ju-ia, al-le-ju-ia! Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, stars you give to us both warmth and light,

4 Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humble ness, O praise him, Al-le-ju-ia! Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

O praise him, O praise him, Al-le-ju-ia, al-le-ju-ia, al-le-ju-ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Officiant 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.

People Amen.
A READING FROM PAUL’S LETTER TO THE GALATIANS

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. (6:14–18)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148:7–14

Said responsively.

Laudate Dominum

Lector Praise the Lord from the earth,
People you sea-monsters and all deeps;
Lector Fire and hail, snow and fog,
People tempestuous wind, doing his will;
Lector Mountains and all hills,
People fruit trees and all cedars;
Lector Wild beasts and all cattle,
People creeping things and wingèd birds;
Lector Kings of the earth and all peoples,
People princes and all rulers of the world;
Lector Young men and maidens,
People old and young together.

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

Lector He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,
People the children of Israel, a people who are near him Hallelujah!
A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

People  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)

Officiant  The Gospel of the Lord.

People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche, Preacher
XVI Bishop of New York

ANTHEM

All things bright and beautiful  John Rutter (b. 1945)

Mrs. C. F. Alexander (1823–1895)
THE NICENE CREED

Said by All.

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 man.

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.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People are asked to pray for the Church, the nations and their leaders, those in need, and the dead.

After each petition, the People say

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Officiant concludes with a collect, and the People respond

Amen.

The weekly list of Cathedral intercessions may be found on page 9 of this leaflet.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

Officiant and 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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Officiant pronounces a blessing, and the People respond

Amen.
CLOSING HYMN

1 For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
2 In the just reward of labor, God’s will be done.
3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neighbor, God’s will be done.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
In our world-wide task of caring, for the hungry and despairing,
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,

future needs in earth’s safekeeping, thanks be to God.
in the harvests we are sharing, God’s will be done.
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000)
Music: Ar Hyd Y Nos, Welsh melody, c. 1784. Verse 3 descant: Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Sun Singer Paul Winter (b. 1939) and Paul Halley (b. 1952)
ONLINE SERVICES

MONDAY–SATURDAY
8:30 AM  Morning Prayer
5:30 PM  Evening Prayer

WEDNESDAY
8:30 PM  Compline

SUNDAY
11 AM  Liturgy of the Word

INTERCESSIONS

The Cathedral Community intends to pray the following intercessions at all services in the course of the week. Congregants are always invited to name their intercessions aloud during the Prayers of the People.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania. In the New York Diocesan Calendar of Intercession, we pray for St. John’s Church (Getty Square), Yonkers.

For all those who are sick or in distress or any trouble:
Christian DeRuiter
Josephine DeRuiter
André Van Zyl
Rosemary Van Zyl

For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead:
Dan Bergfeld
Alma Graham
Joseph Miller

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, 4 OCTOBER

10 AM – 4 PM
The Feast of St. Francis and Blessing of the Animals. The Cathedral of St. John the Divine welcomes you to a day of music, prayer, joy, blessings and fun in honor of Saint Francis, the patron saint of animals and the environment. While we cannot gather in person this year for the service or the outdoor fair, we’re excited to offer an online extravaganza that will include pet blessings, children’s activities, and a behind-the-scenes look at the history of one of our most beloved days of the year!

Your favorite furry, feathered, or finned companions are invited to take part in this celebratory day as well! To have your pet included in our St. Francis Day festivities, please email photos, names, social media handles and stories to stfrancisday@stjohndivine.org. All species are welcome!

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER

7 PM
Great Music in a Great Space: David Briggs. Artist in Residence David Briggs presents two world premieres by Ralph Vaughan Williams in this first performance of the 2020–2021 Great Music in a Great Space season. Briggs’ new organ transcriptions of The Lark Ascending and the ravishingly beautiful Fifth Symphony will be streamed from the Cathedral’s YouTube page on Tuesday, October 13 at 7 PM. A free pre-concert lecture will take place at 6 PM before the concert. Ticket holders will receive a private link to the performance via email on the day of the concert. For questions about ticketing, please email reservations@stjohndivine.org. For questions regarding music, please email music@stjohndivine.org.
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ONGOING PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

THE CATHEDRAL REGATHERS

Whether in person or on our website, there are many ways to join the Cathedral community and stay in touch. The Cathedral is now open 9:30 AM – 3 PM Mondays – Fridays and 9:30 AM – 6 PM Saturdays – Sundays. Admission for sightseeing is $5. All those seeking individual prayer, reflection, meditation, or Columbarium visits will be welcomed without charge. Our online community resources and programs, including streaming worship services, messages from the Dean, virtual tours, music recitals, and children’s activities, and contact information for Cathedral clergy, are just a few clicks away at stjohndivine.org.

CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY CARES (CCC) SUNDAY SOUP KITCHEN

During this time, the CCC Soup Kitchen remains open each Sunday, serving bagged meals to those in need. For more information or to volunteer, contact Thomas Perry at tperry@stjohndivine.org. Your support and contributions are greatly appreciated as we continue to serve our most vulnerable community members.

THE CONGREGATION OF SAINT SAVIOUR

If you are interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church, the Cathedral’s Congregation of St. Saviour, or all the different ways to make the Cathedral your spiritual home, we would love to talk to you. Please contact the Vicar at slee@stjohndivine.org.

IMMIGRATION AND SANCTUARY RESOURCES

The Cathedral is a house of worship for all, regardless of immigration status. If you, or members of your family, community or parish, need assistance navigating life as an immigrant of any legal status, we hope to connect you with the resources you need. For information on upcoming programs and more resources from the city and Diocese, visit stjohndivine.org.

SERMONS ARCHIVE NOW ONLINE

Visit the Cathedral’s website to stream or download audio from past 11 AM Sunday Choral Eucharist sermons and listen on the go. Visit stjohndivine.org/worship/archive to listen and download.

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