



October 3, 2021

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost and St. Francis Day

Prelude

Cantabile

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

Bruce Goody, flute and Jonathan Moretz, guitar

Opening Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Words: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864

Music: Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. W.H. Monk, 1861

Collect of the Day at 8:15 a.m.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant thy people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of thee, delight in thy whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ thy Lord, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect of the Day at 10 a.m.

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 First Lesson

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."

Psalm 121

Psalter for the Christian People, pp. 174-175

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 The LORD will not let your foot be moved *
and the One who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, the One who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD who watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
the LORD shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Gradual Hymn

Through Devastating Storms

Tune: LEONI ("The God of Abraham Praise")

Words: Carolyn Gillette

The hymn recognizes the record-breaking heat waves and forest fires in the West and Northwest USA, hurricanes, and massive flooding in Europe, China, India and other places. It is a prayer that we will love the earth and love each other, and so work for healing and hope. Thank you to Carolyn Gillette for giving us permission to sing this in-person worship and worship online.

The Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

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."

Offertory Anthem

Prayer for Peace

Words: St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226)

Music: Benjamin Harlan (20th c)

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Music During Communion

Nocturne No. 2

Francesco Molino (1775-1847)

Haru No Umi

Michio Miyagi (1894-1956)

Bruce Goody, flute and Jonathan Moretz, guitar

Closing Hymn 400 (vs 1, 4, 7)

All creatures of our God and King

Words: Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)

tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933), alt

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen

Adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Thank you to Bruce and Jonathan for sharing their gift of music with us today.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Your prayers are requested for Emily S., Steve B., Mary L., Nancy, Grace, Rebecca E., Ronan E., Lori W., Marty, Dana, Mary K., Boris, Anita, Billy C., Martin W., Harry and Jeanette, Andy M., Alex, Penny, Maya, Ed B., Glenn, Madison, Anita, Kate, Jim and Debbie, Lois C., Sarah, Gail, Thomas, Maureen, and Linda F. And prayer for all serving our country – especially, remembering Timmy, Tom Z., Emmy, Jack, Sean, Ian, Colin, Tim, and Andrew.

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church in Wales. Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Lazil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.

This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of the South Shore Deanery: Emmanuel Church, Braintree; Grace Chapel, Brockton; St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset; Brotherhood of St. Andrew; and United Interfaith Action.

In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church and Town of Needham employees and volunteers.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Edward Stewart Chase by Robert E. Chase

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Robert Dagdikian by Bea Dagdigian



THOSE WHO SERVE

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☞ Thank you to those serving today ☛

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