



# St. Francis & The Blessing of the Animals

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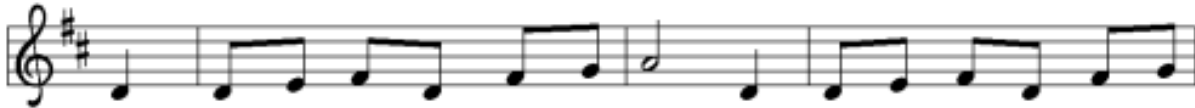
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# St. Brigid's Eucharist

## Gathering of the Community .....

*Welcome*

### *Opening Hymn*      All Creatures Worship God Most High



1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and  
2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and  
3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the  
4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain or sor-row



sky: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor  
grain: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear sis-ter wa-ter, use-ful,  
throng: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear moth-er earth, so rich in  
grieve: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis-ter moon and stars of night:  
clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-  
care, praise God in col-ors bright and rare:  
fears; still make your song a-mid the tears:



lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

5 And you, most gentle sister death,  
waiting to hush our final breath:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,  
fair is the night that leads us home.  
Alleluia.

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,  
and worship God with humble heart:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:  
Alleluia.

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*Presider*

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and  
the community of the Holy Spirit, be with you

*All*

**And also with you**

*All* **Creator God, we give you thanks for all that you are and all that you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In your presence and in the presence of this community gathered, we acknowledge that we stand on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations. Help us to be mindful of our actions here, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Collect*  
*Leader*

Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired Saint Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. By the power of your love, enable us to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.”

*All* **Amen.**

Proclaiming the Word. . . . .

*Reading* Job 1:1, 2:1-10

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Psalm* Psalm 26

Give judgement for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity;\*  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

Test me, O Lord, and try me; \*  
examine my heart and my mind.

For your love is before my eyes;\*  
I have walked faithfully with you.

I have not sat with the worthless, \*  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.

I have hated the company of evildoers; \*  
I will not sit down with the wicked.

I will wash my hands in innocence, \*  
O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,

Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving \*  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

Lord, I love the house in which you dwell \*  
and the place where your glory abides.

Do not sweep me away with sinners, \*  
nor my life with those who thirst for blood,

Whose hands are full of evil plots, \*  
and their right hand full of bribes.

As for me, I will live with integrity; \*  
redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me.

My foot stands on level ground; \*  
in the full assembly I will bless the Lord.

*Reader*

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

*All*

**As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

*Reading*

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

*Reader*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

A - le-lu - ia, A - le-lu - ia, Lord, your Word calls for love.

Help us live lives that re - flect your Way. A - le-lu - ia, A - le-lu - ia.

*Please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel*

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

**All** **And also with you.**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

**All** **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Gospel* Mark 10:2-16

*Reader* This is the Gospel of Christ .

**All** **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Silence & Stillness*

*The Sermon* The Rev. Clare Morgan

*Silence & Stillness*

*Please stand for the Affirmation of Faith*

**All** **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 despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
and where there is sadness, joy.**

**O, God, 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.  
Amen.**

*Presider*

Holy God, our Creator, yours are the praise, the glory, the honour and all blessings! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. May we think of you and thank you when we play with and care for our pets. Be praised for making us so happy to have our pets and to have them to play with. We ask you, Lord, that we may be good to our pets always, so that they may be happy also. Help us always to take care of them so that they will be healthy. O God, your world is wonderful. May we all come into your even greater world of the kingdom of heaven where we shall see even more wonderful things and where we shall live and love forever. This we ask to your eternal praise, and to our blessing.

All

**Amen.**

*The Blessing of Animals*

Please bring your animals forth to be blessed.

*Prayers of the People*

*You are invited to participate in an interactive prayer response*

*Leader*

We offer to God our prayers of intercession and thanksgiving.  
*After each bidding you are welcome to add your own petitions,  
either silently or aloud.*

*Leader*

We pray for your church throughout the world.  
For the Anglican Communion. For Linda, our Primate.  
For John our Bishop, for all clergy and for all who exercise their  
baptismal ministry in the church.

We pray for the ministries of Christ Church Cathedral and for the growth, sustenance and witness of this St. Brigid's congregation.

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

We pray for our country Canada, for all those in authority, for Hereditary Chiefs and Chiefs in Council for the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

We pray for the world

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

We offer our prayers of thanksgiving

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

We pray for those in need

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

We pray for those who have died and those who will meet death this night

*We offer our prayers, silently or aloud*

*Leader*

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord

***All***

**And let light perpetual shine upon them**

*Leader*

May they rest in peace

***All***

**And rise in glory**

*Leader*

Holy God, our Creator,

yours are the praise, the glory, the honour and all blessings! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. May we think of you and thank you when we play with and care for our pets. Be praised for making us so happy to have our pets and to have them to play with. We ask you, Lord, that we may be good to our pets always, so that they may

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**All**                      **Amen**

*Silence & Stillness*

*Confession & Absolution*

*Presider*                      Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another

*Silence & Stillness*

*Presider*                      *Most merciful God*

**All**                      **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.**  
**We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*Presider*                      God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God, strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**All**                      **Amen**

*Silence & Stillness*



*The Peace*

*Presider*            The peace of Christ be always with you.

**All**                    **And also with you.**

*All may exchange a non-contact sign of peace .*

Celebration of the Eucharist. ....

*The Offertory*

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*The table is set for Eucharist.*

*Offertory Hymn*    Lord Listen to Your Children Praying



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

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*Prayer over the Gifts*

**All**                    **Blessed are you, O God maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Guide. Amen.**

*The Great Thanksgiving*

*Presider*            May God be with you

*All*                    **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

*All*                    **We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator

*All*                    **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

*Presider*

It is right in all times and in all places to thank and praise you Creator of all.

We praise you here where the Fraser River meets the Salish Sea, where city and farm, wilderness and industry are side by side. We praise you at a time when the body of earth is broken again and again.

We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation. Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration. They depended on the land, were displaced from the land and displaced others from their lands. They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells, in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, orca and salmon, bear and raven, salal and cedar we join our voices with all creation in this ancient honour song:

Sanctus

Buhler

$\text{♩} = 66$

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts! Hea - ven and Earth are full of your glo - ry, glo - ry! Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bles - sed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho

1. 2. **D.S. al Fine**

Presider

Holy God,  
 holy and mighty,  
 holy and immortal:  
 you we praise and glorify,  
 you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos;  
 you encircled the globe with air;  
 you created fire for warmth and light;  
 you nourish the lands with water.

You molded us in your image,  
 and with mercy higher than the mountains,

with grace deeper than the seas,  
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,  
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,  
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*All*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Son,  
the first-born of your new creation.  
We remember his life lived for others,  
and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.  
We await his coming,  
when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom,  
all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

*All*

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God,  
holy and merciful,  
holy and compassionate,  
send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,  
whose breath revives us for life,  
whose fire rouses us to love.  
Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.  
Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,  
that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

*All*

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy and benevolent God,  
 receive our praise and petitions,  
 as Jesus received the cry of the needy,  
 and fill us with your blessing,  
 until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,  
 we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:  
 through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One,  
 with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.

**All**                      **Amen**

*The Lord's Prayer*

*Presider*

As Jesus taught us, and in the language of our hearts we now pray

**All**                      **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.**

*Fraction Anthem*      *Agnus Dei (Lacey Brown)*

Lamb of God you take a-way the si - n of the  
 Lamb of God you take a-way the si - n of the  
 world have me - rcy on us  
 world grant us your peace.

*The Breaking of the Bread*

*Presider*

Come to the banquet for now all is ready.  
 These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God

**All**                      **Thanks be to God**

Please stay at your seat and the priest will come to you to offer a wafer. To receive a regular wafer, please extend both hands. To receive a gluten-free wafer, please extend one hand. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest.

*Communion Hymn Eat this Bread (CP 63)*

*Refrain*

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

I I am the bread of life, the

true bread sent from the Fa - ther.

Detailed description: The image shows the musical score for the hymn 'Eat this Bread'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff is the Refrain, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are: 'Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.' The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.' The third staff has lyrics: 'I I am the bread of life, the'. The fourth staff has lyrics: 'true bread sent from the Fa - ther.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Text: John 6. 35-51; para. Robert J. Batastini (1942- ) and the Taizé Community (France), 1984.  
 Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994). **EAT THIS BREAD**  
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*Prayer after Communion*

*Presider* We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith towards you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ

**All Amen**

*Presider* *Glory to God*

**All whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Announcements*

The Sending Forth of the Community. . . . .

*The Blessing* All Shall Be Well

All will be well All will be well All manner of things will be well

Detailed description: The image shows the musical notation for 'The Blessing'. It is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: 'All will be well All will be well All manner of things will be well'. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

*Sending Song*

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace



1 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
2 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.  
4 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.



Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your love;  
Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope;  
It is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned,



where there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord;  
where there is dark - ness, . . . . . on - ly light;  
in giv - ing of our - selves that we re -

*Last time to coda*  $\Phi$



and where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
and where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.



3 O Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so



much to be con - soled as to con - sole, to be



un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be



loved as to love with all my soul.

*D.C. (stanza 4) al coda*



ceive, and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

$\Phi$  *Coda*

*Presider*

*Go in Peace to Share the Good News*

**All**

**Thanks be to God.**

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