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Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

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**+ HOLY COMMUNION – SETTING ONE +**

**ORGAN PRELUDE** Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” (#527)  
arr. G. Boehm

**GATHERING** Pg. 94

**CATECHETIC MOMENT**

Stewardship Talk #1 Bill Strand

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM** Pg. 97

Baptismal Anniversaries Celebrated this Month

Christian Tang, Jamie Whitehead, Jack Davis, Matthew  
Beaupre, Laura Mutschlechner, Liesel Fedkenheuer, Jenny  
Laboret

**GATHERING HYMN** God is Here! **No. 526**

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**HYMN OF PRAISE** Glory to God Pg. 99

P We pray. Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**FIRST LESSON                      Genesis 2:18-24**

The Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken.”

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

A The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM                      *Sung*                      Psalm 8**

O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—  
you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths  
of in- | fants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the  
foe | and avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,  
what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,  
human beings that you should | care for them?

Yet you have made them little less | than divine;  
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;  
you have put all things un- | der their feet:

all | flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son,

and to the | Holy Spirit;

as it was in the begin- | ning, is now

and will be forever. | Amen.

## **SECOND LESSON Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12**

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;

you have crowned them with glory and honor,  
subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

A The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Please stand as you are able.*

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**THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16 C Glory to you, O Lord**

Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she

divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

God, When Human Bonds Are Broken

No. 603

### APOSTLES CREED

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### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Please stand as you are able.*

The response to “*Lord, in your mercy,*” is “**Hear our prayer.**”

A With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*A brief silence.*

A God of grace and glory, you provide teachers and heralds to proclaim your gospel throughout the world. We give you thanks for the church and its leaders, that through their work we can rejoice in your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

A You brought forth creation and filled it with plants and animals, seas and skies. We give you thanks for fruit-bearing trees, abundant harvests, rain, soil, birds, lilies, and everything you can provide. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

A You desire that all shall have a peaceable life. We give you thanks for civil servants and volunteers, political and social

leaders, and all people in authority, and we pray that they work for justice, Lord, in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

A You count all humankind worthy of care. We give you thanks for those who work in medical professions that through their skill you provide healing, consolation, and well-being. For the sick and the suffering who need their care: Anna Berwanger, Simret Bogale, Chrystine Cuch, Mariette Erasmus, Adeline Erick, Dolores Hollowell, Donna Harbor, Genevieve Janssen, Eleanora Lahoda, Fay Larsen, Amy Lynch, Jean McCowan, Mark Mutschlechner, Bruce and Judith Nagel, Jim and Joyce Rasmussen, David Sr. and Joan Richardson, Vern Schnell, Rose Sinclair, Sam Skogen, those we name aloud ... and those we carry in our hearts.:

**C Hear our prayer.**

A For those who serve in the holy catholic Church:

- for the Saskatchewan Synod staff, pastors, people and Bishop-Elect Ali Tote
- for Southwestern Area Leadership Team, pastors, people and Dean, . Dr. Tim Wray
- for the synod council as they gather for their fall meeting and retreat
- for all church volunteers in our congregations
- for St John Lutheran of Golden Spike, Spruce Grove, and Nazareth Lutheran, Standard
- for the students, faculty, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon
- for the staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief
- for El Consolador Congregation, Sogamosa, Colombia
- for the ministers and people of the Evangelical Churches in Canada,
- for the pastors and people of the Anglican, Mennonite, and Moravian Churches

For all these, we pray:

**C Hear our prayer.**

A You promise us life in your kingdom through the resurrection of Christ. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us and continue to inspire us in our lives of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

A For all virtually gathered for this service, and those attending to the care of others and to beneficial endeavours that keep them away from worshipping, Lord, in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

P Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, that we commend to you this day, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord

**C Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

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P May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

**C And also with you.**

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

“Christians All, Come Sing His Praises” arr. J. Carter

*Setting of the altar from the credence table*

*Reception of the Offerings and Prayer Slips*

#### BLESSING OF THE BEASTS

P Bless the Lord, all you, his creatures.

**C Bless the Lord, in heaven and on earth.**

P We pray. O God, you have made us and all living things. You are even more wonderful than what you have made. We thank you for giving us all beasts, especially those who serve us and give us joy. As you take care of us, we also ask that you help us to take care of the animals that trust us to take care of them. By doing this, we know that we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in Jesus' name.

**C Amen.**

**LESSON: Genesis 1:23-28, 31a**

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals

of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.

P The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

P For all your creatures that breathe and move and have life,

**C We thank you, O Lord.**

P That we may love and honour the works of your hand,

**C We thank you, O Lord.**

P That these animals which we name before you:

*'Names from slips'*

May be treasured with care,

**C We thank you, O Lord.**

P Most high, almighty Lord, creator God, yours are the praise, the glory, the honour, and all blessings! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised, O Father, for giving us the animals, birds, and fish which fill your world. We ask that we always be good to the beasts in our charge so that they may be happy and healthy. As your beloved, held in the palm of your hand, ask this thought, Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**OFFERING PRAYER** Holy God ...

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**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**



**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Version II) Pg. 112

**THE FRACTION**

P This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

**C Come, let us devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.**

**LAMB OF GOD** Pg. 112

**THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT**

*Please be seated. Assistants and those in need commune first.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue **No. 644**

Blest Be the Tie that Binds **No. 656**

**TABLE BLESSING** *Please stand as you are able.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** We give you thanks... Pg. 114

*Please be seated.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY**

**BENEDICTION** Pg. 114

**SENDING HYMN** Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether **No. 470**

**DISMISSAL** Pg. 115

P Go in peace...

**C Thanks be to God!**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

Nimrod from "Enigma Variations" by E. Elgar



**WELCOME** to all gathered here today. Join us for refreshments and conversation downstairs after worship, Questions? Ask one of today's servants or speak with the pastor.

**WE THANK TODAY'S SERVANTS**

Usher: David Wong

Lector: Laura Woycenko

Assistant: Art Wildeman

Altar Guild: Barb Patychuk

Refreshments: David Wong, Laura Woycenko  
Zoom Host: Phil Tang, Ahmed Conteh

**OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE**

|               |              |             |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| Last week     | 29 September | Budget 2024 |
| Current       | \$ 1,741     | \$2,911     |
| Benevolence   | \$ 0         |             |
| Building Fund | \$ 10        |             |
| Other         | \$ 275       |             |
| Attendance    | 51           |             |

**ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

|           |        |          |                             |
|-----------|--------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Today     | 6 Oct  | 11:45 PM | Fellowship and Refreshments |
|           |        | 2:00 PM  | CFMA Worship                |
| Monday    | 7 Oct  | 10:00 AM | Funeral for Norma Gummo     |
|           |        | 7:00 PM  | 12 Step Program             |
| Tuesday   | 8 Oct  | 6:00 PM  | Elders                      |
|           |        | 6:30 PM  | Never Alone Peer Support    |
|           |        | 7:00 PM  | Council Meeting             |
| Wednesday | 9 Oct  | 9:30 AM  | 12 Step Program             |
|           |        | 7:00 PM  | 12 Step Program             |
| Friday    | 11 Oct | 7:00 PM  | 12 Step Program             |
| Saturday  | 12 Oct | 9:00 AM  | House of Hope Worship       |
| Sunday    | 13 Oct | 10:30 AM | Holy Communion Service      |

**STEWARDSHIP** A weekly message on Sunday will be shared starting today. See the stewardship area downstairs.

**ETERNITY FOR TODAY** –The October/November/December issue has arrived and are in the narthex and downstairs.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** for the mid-month October issue of the Highwood Highlights is Tuesday, 8 October 2024. Email items to [secretaryhlc@outlook.com](mailto:secretaryhlc@outlook.com)

**THANKSGIVING FLOWERS** – as you are able, donations for these are gratefully appreciated.

**POSTERS, POSTERS, POSTERS** – Take a look. There are too many events taking place to be mentioned in the bulletin.

**REMINDER** – please check your mailboxes.

**HOTSHOTS MOVIE AND LUNCH** on Tuesday 15 Oct at 10:00 AM. Movie: “Grumpy Old Men.” All are welcome to bring a friend. Sign-up downstairs.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY** – begins their Annual Online Fundraiser Auction in early November. Donations for the auction are needed. The dinner will be Saturday 16 November 2024.

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** – is 3 November 2024, with special remembrances of our beloved dead. Unable to attend? Please let the office know how many candles you would like to be lit on your behalf.

**SAVE THE DATE** – Sunday, 17 November will be a celebration of the Anniversary of Ordination for Jim Rasmussen. All are welcome to attend this joyous milestone.

**NEXT WEEK’S READINGS**

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalm 90:12-17

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10: 17-31