

Morning Prayer Rite II

February 27, 2026

Officiant *The Reverend Christian Rabone*

All stand

Hymn #405 All things bright and beautiful

The 1982 Hymnal

Descant

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea-tures great and small,

Refrain

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.

all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

Repeat Refrain

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky,
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

The Officiant begins the service saying,

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! *2 Corinthians 5:17*

The Invitatory

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Matthew 5:13-18

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

The Bishop's Annual Address

The Right Reverend Russell Kendrick

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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

Suffrages B

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. We praise your name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. For we put our trust in you.

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. And we shall never hope in vain.

A Collect for Friday

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings follow.

Hymn At the Dawn of Your Creation *sung to the tune of Beach Spring Text: Copyright © 2008 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.*

At the dawn of your cre -
 By your word, you formed cre -
 When you made us your cre -
 At this joy - - ful cel - e -

a - - tion, God you spoke "Let there be light! You di -
 a - - tion: dry land, wa - ter, oc - ean breeze. Soon there
 a - - tion, send - ing us through out your lands, You com -
 bra - tion, may we hear your word a - new. May we

vi - did earth from hea - ven, you cre - at - ed day and night. You made
 burst forth ve - ge - ta - tion plants with fruit, maj - est - ic trees. Rain and
 mand - ed: "Have do - min - ion, care for earth it's in your hands." Yet we
 care for your cre - a - tion, know - ing it's a trust from you. Just as

sun - beams dance with shad - ows, you cre - at - ed en - er - gy! Peace - ful
 snow and chang - ing sea - sons, crea - tures fill - ing land and sea, God, your
 hurt this world you've giv - en; we harm earth and sky and sea. We for -
 dai - ly there's a dawn - ing, bring - ing light to all we see, So we

eve - nings, bright to - mor - rows all be - gan with "Let there be!"
 ver - y good cre - a - tion all be - gan with "Let there be!"
 get it's your cre - a - tion, you who once said "Let there be!"
 dai - ly hear your call - ing, you who once said "Let there be!"

Blessing of the Chrism *The Bishop will bless the oil for Chrism. Clergy may collect oil later.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom *Officiant and People pray the following collect together,*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Glory to God 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.** *Ephesians 3:20-21*

The Convention will be convened for business immediately following the conclusion of Morning Prayer

The Holy Eucharist

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Prelude **How Great Thou Art** *sung by the St. Francis choir as people gather*

The Bishop has determined this to be a Lent-free service. Alleluias may be said and sung with vigor.

The Hymn at the Procession All creatures of our God and King # 400 **The 1982 Hymnal**



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O___ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People His mercy endures forever.

The Collect for the Occasion *standing*

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

The Epistle

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

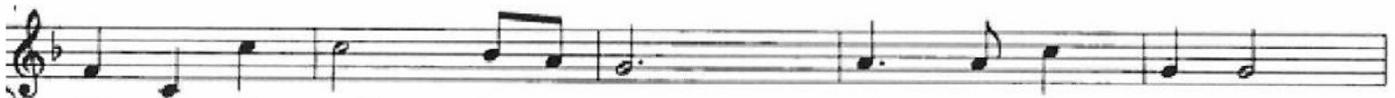
What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

The Sequence Hymn

Touch the Earth Lightly



1. Touch the earth light - ly, use the earth gent - ly, nour - ish the
2. We who en - dan - ger, who cre - ate hun - ger, a - gents of
3. Let there be green - ing, birth from the burn - ing, wa - ter that
4. God of all liv - ing, God of all lov - ing, God of the



life of the world in our care: gift of great won - der,
death for all crea - tures that live, we who would fos - ter
bless - es and air that is sweet, health in God's gar - den,
seed - ling, the snow, and the sun, teach us, de - flect us,



ours to sur - ren - der, trust for the chil - dren to - mor - row will bear.
clouds of dis - as - ter, God of our plan - et, fore - stall and for - give!
hope in God's chil - dren, re - gen - er - a - tion that peace will com - plete.
Christ, re - con - nect us, us - ing us gen - tly and mak - ing us one.

The Gospel *standing*

John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'"

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Russell Kendrick

THE RENEWAL OF VOWS TO ORDAINED MINISTRY

The deacons stand. The Bishop says these words,

You have accepted the call of God to study and be nourished by the Scriptures, and to model your life upon them; to proclaim the Gospel, and to make Christ and his redemptive work known by your word and example; to interpret for the Church the needs, concerns and hopes of the world; and to assist the bishop and priests in public worship and the ministration of God's Word and Sacraments. As the ordained sign of the Church's servant ministry, do you, here in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry?

Deacons I do.

The priests stand. The Bishop says these words,

My sister and brother Priests: You have accepted the call of God to work as a pastor, priest and teacher, together with your bishop and fellow presbyters, and to take your share in the councils of the Church; to proclaim by word and deed the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to fashion your life on its precepts; to love and serve Christ's people, caring alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor; to preach, to declare God's forgiveness to penitent sinners, to pronounce God's blessing, and to share in the administration of Holy Baptism and in the celebration of the mysteries of Christ's Body and Blood. As the ordained sign of the Church's pastoral ministry, do you, here in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry?

Priests I do.

The Bishop then says the following words to all the ordained,

Dear friends, the ministry we share is none other than the sacrificial ministry of Christ, who gave himself up to death on the cross for the salvation of the world. By his glorious resurrection he has opened for us the way of everlasting life. By the gift of the Holy Spirit he shares with us the riches of his grace. We are called to proclaim his death and resurrection, to administer the Sacraments of the New Covenant which he sealed with his blood on the cross, and to care for his people in the power of the Spirit. Do you here, in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry, under the pastoral direction of your bishop?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise so to minister the Word of God and the Sacraments of the New Covenant that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to be a faithful servant of all those committed to your care, patterning your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?

Answer **I do.**

The Bishop then makes this affirmation,

As your Bishop, I have accepted the call of God to proclaim Christ's resurrection and interpret the Gospel, and to testify to Christ's sovereignty as Lord of lords and King of kings; to guard the faith, unity and discipline of the Church; to share in the leadership of the Church throughout the world; to celebrate and provide for the sacraments of the New Covenant; to ordain priests and deacons and to join in ordaining bishops; to be a faithful pastor; and to be a wholesome example for the entire flock of Christ. And now, I too, before God and you, re-dedicate myself and reaffirm the promises that I made when I was ordained. I ask your prayers.

Bishop and Clergy

May the Lord who has given us the will to do these things, give us also the grace and power to perform them.

The Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully in God's holy Catholic Church.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant With God's help,

People **I will continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.**

Celebrant With God's help,

People **I will persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever I fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord.**

Celebrant With God's help,

People **I will proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.**

Celebrant With God's help,

People **I will seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving my neighbor as myself.**

Celebrant With God's help,

People **I will strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.**

Celebrant May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People *The Leader and People pray responsively. Source: The Reverend Lowell Grisham.*

Celebrant: Loving God, you sent your Son into the world not to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved: Let the wind of your Spirit blow freely throughout creation so that all people may be born anew from above and live in the wonder of your steadfast and abounding grace, as we pray: Our help comes from God, the maker of heaven and earth.

Gracious God, through Jesus you have revealed to your Church divine realities about earthly things and about heavenly things: Inspire us and help us to receive your testimony and to live in the power of your Spirit. Our help comes from God,
the maker of heaven and earth.

You led Abram away from his homeland and kindred to make of him a great nation, to be a blessing to all the families of the earth: Guide our national leaders and all in positions of authority or power throughout the world; move them forward from their familiar places of comfort, toward new, compassionate responses to the needs of the world, that they also may be a blessing to all people. Our help comes from God,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Let your Spirit go forth over all the earth to refresh and heal all who are confused, suffering or oppressed, that everyone on earth may know themselves as your beloved people. Our help comes from God,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Your presence is among us in this community, inviting us to enter the Kingdom of God and to be people born of the Spirit: Inspire our witness and service to you and to our neighbor, that we may love the world even as Christ has loved us. Our help comes from God,
the maker of heaven and earth.

You watch over us without slumber or sleep and have promised to preserve us from all evil and to keep us safe. Hear our prayers for those whom we commend to your compassionate care, especially _____.

We give thanks that you watch over our going out and our coming in, as we offer our prayers of praise and gratitude, especially for _____.

You give life to the dead and call into existence the things that do not exist: Bring into your eternal life those who have died, especially _____.

Our help comes from God,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Gracious and ever-present God, send forth your Spirit of new birth into the world, that all humanity may trust in your goodness and be blessed, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Exchange of the Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Choir Anthem

He's Got the Whole World

Arr. Joel Raney

Sung by the Saint Francis Choir and Soloist Jack Grinley

At the time of the Presentation of the offering

The Presentation Hymn Let All Things Now Living

1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing
 2. His law he en - forc - es: the stars in their cours - es,

to God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
 the sun in its or - bit, o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
 the hills and the moun - tains, the ri - vers and foun - tains,

who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
 the deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.

His ban - ners are o'er us, his light goes be - fore us,
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing,

a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
 with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise,

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished,
 till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing

as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
 to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

The Holy Communion

Enriching our Worship 1 Eucharistic Prayer 2

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

S 129 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the Highest

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Francis and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

At the Fraction Anthem S-164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

Several stations for the distribution of Communion will be located in the room. Please move to the one nearest you. During Communion the congregation is encouraged to sing the hymns that are printed at the end of this bulletin.

*In thanksgiving for the ministry of our host parish, we will pray the prayer attributed to Saint Francis
After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we 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.*

The Blessing

The Hymn at the Dismissal Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

The Deacon dismisses the people.

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Immediately following the hymn, all clergy will gather at the dais for a photograph.

THE MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Celebrant The Right Reverend Russell Kendrick
Deacons The Reverends Rachel Iversen and John Kendall
Musicians Cathy Griffing, Choirmaster/Organist
St. Francis Choir

Lector John Griffing
Litanists The Youth Delegates to Convention

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This Little Light of Mine

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OTHER HYMNS FOR USE DURING THE CONVENTION

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light #490

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

1 He's got the whole world in his hands.
2 He's got the sun and the moon in his hands. [x3]
He's got the whole world in his hands.

This Little Light of Mine

1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
2 Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine! [x3]

Go Light Your World By Chris Rice

There is a candle in every soul
Some brightly burning, some dark and cold
There is a Spirit who brings a fire
Ignites a candle and makes His home

Refrain: So Carry your candle, run to the darkness
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle, and go light your world
Take your candle, and go light your world

Frustrated brother, see how he's tried to
Light his own candle some other way
See now your sister, she's been robbed and lied to
Still holds a candle without a flame

Refrain

We are a family whose hearts are blazing
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky
Praying to our Father, in the name of Jesus
Make us a beacon in darkest times

Refrain x 2

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father. **Refrain**

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. **Refrain**

3 He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

4 He's got the little bitty baby in his hands. . . .
He's got the whole world in his hands.

3 Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine. .

4 Won't let Satan blow it out. 'm gonna let it shine. . .

5 Shine all over the neighborhood. I'm gonna let it shine. . .

6 Let it shine 'till Jesus comes. I'm gonna let it shine. . .



1 God, who stretched the span-gled hea - vens in - fi - nite in
 * 2 Proud-ly rise our mod - ern ci - ties, state - ly build - ings,
 3 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child - hood
 4 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal - lenge



time and place, flung the suns in burn - ing ra - diance
 row on row; yet their win - dows, blank, un - feel - ing,
 of our race; known the ec - sta - sy of wing - ing
 us a - new, chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose,



through the si - lent fields of space: we, your chil - dren
 stare on can - yoned streets be - low, where the lone - ly
 through un - trav - eled realms of space; probed the se - crets
 serv - ing o - thers, hon - oring you. May our dreams prove



in your like - ness, share in - ven - tive powers with you;
 drift un - no - ticed in the ci - ty's ebb and flow,
 of the at - om, yield - ing un - im - ag - ined power,
 rich with prom - ise, each en - deav - or well be - gun:



Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing,
 lost to pur - pose and to mean - ing,
 fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion
 Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance



show us what we yet may do.
 scarce - ly car - ing where they go.
 or our most tri - um - phant hour.
 till our goals and yours are one.

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