

Prayer for the Mission of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. *Amen.* 2 *Corinthians 13:14*

Parish News and Notes

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Words: based on Psalm 117, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante para de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

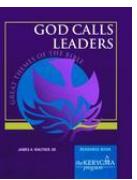
Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: *Christ Is Our Cornerstone*

Healey Willan

Parish News and Calender

Welcome this morning to the Blessing of the Pets. We celebrate this Sunday Oct. 4 in observance of St. Francis of Assisi, Brother Sun, Sister Moon.



Kerygma Returns - On Monday, October 5th, we begin a new study *God Calls Leaders*. Leadership begins with God's initiative. *God calls Leaders* is a seven-week study prepared to show how leaders are key to the history of God's people in times of transition, crisis and renewal. Join us in-person or online via Zoom. Resource books available.



The Books Café is open by appointment!

The staff of Books Café at St. Luke's Chapel has opened their doors for the sale of books each Wednesday and Saturday by appointment between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. To schedule your appointment, please email the date and time that you would like to shop as well as your contact information to the Parish office at Wye Parish at info@wyeparish.org. Please include a first choice and a second choice. The selections have been restocked. Come check out the new books!



Volunteers needed at New Food Pantry Queenstown and Sudlersville

The next Sudlersville drive-thru food pantry at Sudlersville Park will be Friday, Oct 16 from 5:30-7pm for QAC residents. To volunteer, please contact Chris Perkins: **443-988-1183**.

The homeless shelter is still open and we currently have 17 Guests.

Run for Shelter is Back, Virtually!

Recommended 5 K & 10 K Courses are listed on the website!

Parish Prayers

Al Butler, Henry Chupek, Dyon Finotti, Genie Fitzgerald, Ron Franks, Margaret Hagan, Iris Hager, Michael Harrison, Romaine Height, Gale Johnston, Cathy Phillips, Roseanne Phillips, Shannon (Dryka family member), Geoffrey Sherwood, Lindsay Streit (Jeanne Brower's granddaughter), Richard Tillman, Janet M. Trimble, and Tucker Wilson.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We give thanks for the witness of God's people at Christ Church, Cambridge and their Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Bernie Schroeder, and his wife, Carol.

Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Reverend Charlie Osberger

Reader: Susie Leight

Parish Organist: Richard Stratton

Altar Guild: Kai Marchant



Old Wye Church

10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Observance of St. Francis of Assisi
October 4, 2020

Prelude: *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *And also with you.*

Most High, omnipotent, good Lord,
To thee be ceaseless praise outpoured,
And blessing without measure.
Let creatures all give thanks to thee
And service in great humility.

Welcome to the Blessing of the Animals

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Psalm 148: 7-14 (said responsively)

Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and wingèd birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Paul Hamill

All creatures of our God and King

*All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!*
*Bright burning sun with golden beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
*Great rushing winds and breezes soft,
you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,
O sing now: Alleluia!*
*Fair rising morn and praise rejoice
Stars nightly shining find a voice,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
*Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for your Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!*
*Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,
You give to us both warmth and light,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
*Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!*
*Praise God the Father, praise the son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Words: St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226), tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933)
Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623
Adapt. Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

Blessing of the Pets

A Prayer for Animals

Hear our humble prayer, O God, for all our friends, the animals, especially for animals who are suffering; for any that are lost or deserted or frightened or hungry. We entreat for them all Thy mercy and pity, and for those who deal with them we ask a heart of compassion and gentle hands and kindly words. Make us, ourselves, to be true friends to animals and so to share the blessings of the merciful.

Albert Schweitzer

A Litany of Thanksgiving: (seated)

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.
We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,
We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lesson

Matthew 11:25-30

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.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Message

Reverend Charlie

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer. *Psalm 19:14*

Apostles Creed: (all stand)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth;

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.

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. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Lord's Prayer:

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.

A Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Prayer attributed to St. Francis
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.