

October 3, 2021

Mystics, Prophets, Poets, and Saints What's In A Name?

Rev. Emma Chattin, Preaching

First Reading ~ Psalm 8

To The Conductor: To be played on the Gittite harp; A Psalm of David

YHWH, our Sovereign
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your splendor above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you bring forth words of power and praise
to answer your adversaries
and to silence the hostile and vengeful.

When I behold your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars which you set in place-
who are we that you should be mindful of us?
Who are we that you should care for us?
You have made us barely less than the angels,
and crowned us with glory and honor.
You have made us responsible for the works of your hands,
putting all things at our feet-
all sheep and oxen, yes, even the beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, the fish of the sea
and whatever passes through the paths of the sea.

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how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading

*~ adapted from St. Francis of Assisi in Canticum of Brother Sun and Sister Moon,
a song Francis wrote in 1224*

Be praised, God, through all Your creatures,
especially through my Brother Sun,
who brings the day; you give light through him.
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!
Be praised, God, through Sister Moon and the Stars;
In the heavens you have made them bright, precious and beautiful.