

St. Paul's Cathedral *of the City*
EPISCOPAL + ANGLICAN

**October 1, 2011
12:00 noon**

**The Holy Eucharist:
A Service of Remembrance
for our Animal Companions**

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, we welcome you!

Welcome to St. Paul's Cathedral

The Episcopal Diocese of San Diego

The Worldwide Anglican Communion

BCP page numbers refer to the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

A period of silence is held after each reading and the sermon.

As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones and pagers.

Thank you for your care when gently raising or lowering the kneelers in the pews.

The Congregation stands at the tolling of the bell.

The Liturgy of the Word

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider How many are your works O God!

In wisdom you made them all.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

A SONG OF CREATION *(said by all)*

Canticle 12, II (BCP 89)
The Earth and its Creatures

Let the earth glorify the Lord,*

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills,

and all that grows upon the earth,*

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams,*

O whales and all that move in the waters.

All birds of the air, glorify the Lord,*

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild,*

and all you flocks and herds.

O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord,*

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

SALUTATION

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider O Lord, give us humility to thank you for the creation of animals, who can show affection which sometimes puts us to shame. Enlarge our respect for these your creatures, and give us a sense of responsibility towards all your creation, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Job 12:7-10

But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds of the air, and they will tell you; or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish of the sea inform you. Which of all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all humankind.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:1, 25-34 *(said by all)*

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

O LORD my God, you are very great.

O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.

There go the ships,

and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

These all look to you to give them their food in due season;
when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.
May the glory of the LORD endure for ever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works
who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.
I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

Please stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 12:28-34

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,' this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated at the introduction of the Sermon.

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Let us give thanks to God for all the gifts so freely bestowed upon us; for the beauty and wonder of the creation, in earth and sky and sea;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the richness of the mountains, plains and rivers;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For all creatures that breathe, move, and have life;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers and trees;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the trust you have shown in giving into our care our animal companions;

All **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader That each animal companion may be treasured with care;

All **We pray to you, Lord.**

Leader For our animal companions that have passed away or are no longer with us.

We remember specifically this day those we now name.

The people may add their petitions.

All **We pray to you, Lord.**

Leader That we may love and honor all your works, O God;

All **We pray to you, Lord.**

Leader That we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation;

All **To the honor and glory of your name, now and forever, we pray to you, Lord.**

The Presider says the Concluding collect

Almighty God, your Son taught us that though five sparrows could be bought for two pennies, they are not forgotten before you. We thank you for the companionship of the animals in our lives that we have lost and for all those who have shared, and do share, our homes and our lives. We ask for comfort in our loss, knowing that you care for all of your creation as you care for us. May we live more peacefully because of today, and come at last, in the fellowship of all your creation, to the haven where we long to be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people stand

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and People

**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 Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,

to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts

that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ

and his Blood of the new Covenant.

✠ Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,

that we may be acceptable through him,

being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ,

and bring us to that heavenly country where,

with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church,

and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Presider

**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 for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

Presider Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE MEMORIES AND MEMENTOS

THE BLESSING

God of manifold blessings, source of all that is good and true and holy, raise us up to see the world through your eyes so that we may treasure each blessed creature alive with your Spirit and touched by your creative hand; and may the blessing of this wonderful God Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier be upon us now and forever. **Amen.**

Please stand

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Presider The Rev. Canon Jack Lindquist
Preacher The Rev. Canon Allisyn Thomas
Acolyte Cherie Dean
Sacristans Rew Carne, Mary Rathbun



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LORD GOD, Compassionate Wisdom, Healing Spirit, in the beginning when you brought forth life, you committed the stewardship of Creation to our first parents. In your providence we see your love, and we find the beginnings and the endings of all journeys within your glory. We recall with heart-felt gratitude the lives of the animal companions who have shared our days. In life they gave witness to your glory, in death they are memories of grace and beauty. May we find in this mystery of the rhythms of our lives, grace, wisdom, fortitude, and the peace that passes human understanding. May all Creation praise, reverence, and serve your Holy Name of beauty and justice. These blessings we ask through your Son Jesus Christ, Compassionate Lord, by whose wounds we are healed. **Amen.**

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St. Paul's Cathedral, home to a vibrant, growing Episcopal congregation in the urban heart of San Diego, is located across from Balboa Park between Fifth and Sixth Avenues at Nutmeg Street. Social justice and community outreach are central to the Cathedral's spiritual core. If you would like to learn more about membership, please speak to one of the clergy following the service, or visit the Welcome Table in the courtyard following the service, or call the cathedral office at 619.298.7261 ext 334.

Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist 8 AM and 10:30 AM; Misa en español 1:00 PM; Evensong 5:00 PM; Children's Godly Play 10:30 AM.

Daily Services: Monday-Friday: Morning and Evening Prayer, 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM; Saturday at 8:30 AM only; Holy Eucharist at 12 noon on Monday-Saturday. The church office is open Monday through Friday 9 AM–12:30 PM and 1:30–5:00 PM.

The many activities at the Cathedral each week are summarized in the **Cathedral Life announcements** insert in today's bulletin.

Restrooms are located on the first and second floor of the Cathedral Office Building. Please ask an usher for directions.

Donations for flowers in the Cathedral are welcome for memorials or celebrations. Please call the office at the number below.

Large print bulletins and assisted hearing devices are available at Sunday morning services and are available from an usher.

Noise carries a long way within the Cathedral's interior. As a courtesy to others, **please mute your cell phone** and other noise-making devices so as to maintain a peaceful environment for worship.

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