

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Friday, October 4, 2024

October 4th, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, marks the formal closing of the 2024 Season of Creation. St. Francis's great love of God's Creation, commitment to peace, global popularity, and ecumenical and interfaith importance all combine to make him an important inspiration for the Season of Creation, one capable of keeping its focus and energy dynamic through the rest of the year.

As at the beginning of the Season, people of faith around the world are invited to participate in an online prayer service. It will be prepared and led on October 4th by the Season of Creation Ecumenical Youth Committee. Once plans are complete, more information and directions for joining it will be available at SeasonofCreation.org.

For those who would prefer to celebrate a local ecumenical prayer service to close the Season of Creation, a draft text is offered as Addendum 1 in the [Season of Creation Celebration Guide](#), pp. 31-40.

Canticle of Brother Sun and Sister Moon of St. Francis of Assisi

Most High, all-powerful, all-good Lord, All praise is Yours, all glory, all honour and all blessings. To you alone, Most High, do they belong, and no mortal lips are worthy to pronounce Your Name.

Praised be You my Lord with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun, Who is the day through whom You give us light. And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour, Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars, In the heavens you have made them bright, precious and fair.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, And fair and stormy, all weather's moods, by which You cherish all that You have made.

Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water, So useful, humble, precious and pure.

Praised be You my Lord through Brother Fire, through whom You light the night and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be You my Lord through our Sister, Mother Earth who sustains and governs us, producing varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.

Praise be You my Lord through those who grant pardon for love of You and bear sickness and trial.

Blessed are those who endure in peace, By You Most High, they will be crowned.

Praised be You, my Lord through Sister Death, from whom no-one living can escape.

Woe to those who die in mortal sin! Blessed are they She finds doing Your Will. No second death can do them harm.

Praise and bless my Lord and give Him thanks, And serve Him with great humility. Amen.

Feast of St. Francis **MUSICAL SELECTIONS**

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Hymns

E - Entrance | O - Offertory | C - Communion | D - Dismissal
OCP - Oregon Catholic Press | WLP-World Library Publications

- E All Creatures of Our God and King
Francis of Assisi, tr. By William H. Draper
- E Canticle of the Sun
Marty Haugen, ©1980 GIA
- E All Things Bright and Beautiful
Cecil F. Alexander
- E, D Stewards of Earth
Omer Westendorf, ©1984 World Library Publications
- E,O,D Creating God, Your Fingers Trace
Jeffery Rowthorn, ©1979 Hymn Society of America
- O, D Prayer of Saint Francis
St. Francis of Assisi, adapt. Sebastian Temple, ©1967 OCP
- O Everything That Has Voice
Shirley Erena Murray, ©2003 Hope Publishing Co.
- O The Thirsty Cry for Water, Lord
Herman Stuempfle, ©1997 GIA Publications, Inc.
- C Take and Eat
James Quinn and Michael Joncas, ©1989 GIA
- C I Believe This Is Jesus
Alan J. Hommerding, ©2004 WLP

- D God Is Still Speaking
Marty Haugen, ©2009 GIA Publications, Inc.
- D God of the Fertile Fields
Georgia Harkness, ©1955, Renewal 1953 Hymn Society.
- D The Church of Christ Fred Pratt Green, ©1971 Hope Publishing Co.

Psalm Settings

- Psalm 16: You Are My Inheritance, O Lord
Owen Alstott, ©1977, 1990 OCP
- Psalm 16: You Will Show Me the Path of Life (Antiphon III)
Marty Haugen, adapt. Kodner, ©1988, 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.
- Psalm 16: You Are My Inheritance
©2005, 2010 Barbara Bridge, published by OCP.
- Psalm 16: You Are My Inheritance
Tony Alonso, ©2013 GIA Publications, Inc.
- Psalm 16: You Are My Inheritance, O Lord
Michel Guimont, ©1994, 1998 GIA Pub., Inc.