

# Canticle of the Sun

Song written by St. Francis of Assisi (excerpt)

Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures,  
especially through my lord **Brother Sun**,  
who brings the day; and you give light through him.  
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!  
Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised be You, my Lord, through **Sister Moon**  
and the stars, in heaven you formed them  
clear and precious and beautiful.

Praised be You, my Lord, through **Brother Wind**,  
and through the air, cloudy and serene,  
and every kind of weather through which  
You give sustenance to Your creatures.

Praised be You, my Lord, through **Sister Water**,  
which is very useful and humble and precious and chaste

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 **Sister Mother Earth**,  
who sustains us and governs us and who produces  
varied fruits with colored flowers and herbs.

