



Coalesce Podcast

Episode 044 - An Immanent-Transcendent Fullness of Love

Note, terms, scripture, practice



Pope Francis promotes in his timely encyclical, *Laudato Si*

Logos: (1) the rational principle that governs and develops the universe, (2) the Divine reason, logic, or plan that was revealed in *the life course* of Jesus

[John 1:1-3](#)

[Acts 2:36, 9:22](#)

[Genesis 1:1-2,](#)

[1Colossians 1:15-20](#)

[Ephesians 1:3-14](#)

[Revelation 1:8, 21:6, 22:13](#)

Being is first of all *an event of communion*, outpouring love, universal connection, a *fountain fullness flowing outward*

[Acts 17:28](#)

[John 1:5](#)

[John 1:9](#)

[Genesis 1:3-4](#)

the univocity of being, meaning that we can speak with “one voice,” consistently and truthfully, about a rock, a tree, an animal, a human, an angel, and God

[Colossians 3:11](#)

[Ephesians 1:3-11](#)

[Matthew 16:16](#)

Christ was the very first idea in the mind of God, *and God, as it were, has never stopped thinking, dreaming, and creating the one, eternal Christ.*

“The immense diversity and pluriformity of this creation more perfectly represents God than any one creature alone or by itself.” (Thomas Aquinas, 1224-1274, *Summa Theologica* 47:1)

[Hebrews 13:8](#)

Practice: The Christ Hymn

I invite you to take all this heady information and experience it at the heart level through music, poetry, and paintings. The song, “The Christ Hymn,” creatively renders the hymn from [Colossians 1:15-20](#) (Common English Bible):

The Son is the image of the invisible God,
the one who is first over all creation,
Because all things were created by him:
both in the heavens and on the earth,
the things that are visible and the things that are invisible.
Whether they are thrones or powers,
or rulers or authorities,
all things were created through him and for him.
He existed before all things,
and all things are held together in him.
He is the head of the body, the church,
who is the beginning,
the one who is firstborn from among the dead
so that he might occupy the first place in everything.
Because all the fullness of God was pleased to live in him,
and he reconciled all things to himself through him—
whether things on earth or in the heavens.
He brought peace through the blood of his cross.

Enjoy a short video of the song, “The Christ Hymn,” by Alana Levandoski, paintings by Julie Ann Stevens.

<https://youtu.be/pGe5wJBDjoo>