Saint Francis Episcopal Church Palos Verdes Estates California Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost NOVEMBER 19, 2023 8:00 AM

#### Welcome to St. Francis Church PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES. THANK YOU. 8:00 A.M. - MORNING PRAYER: RITE I Prelude: "Peaceful Meditation" ......Paul Fey Processional Hymn-God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him ......Hymn #379, vv. 1-3 $\mathbf{is}$ Love, let heaven a dore him; God is Love, let earth re - joice; God en world in em - brace: God is Love; and love\_ folds us, all the one\_\_\_ though God Love; and with blind-ness sin af - flicts\_all man life, is hu 0 with tion alt\_ \_ him voice. let cre - a sing\_ be - fore him and ex one child \_\_\_\_\_ of un - fail - ing grasp God holds us, ev - ery with ev ery race. through our e - ter lov - ing - kind - ness earth - ly God's nal guides us strife. 6 7 God who the earth's foun - da - tion, God who spread the laid heavens a bove, sor -fi hearts are break-ing row's And when hu man un - der i - ron rod. Sin hell shall nev - er and death and o'er us nal tri - umph gain; breathes through God who all\_\_\_\_ cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love. self - same ach - ing then find deep with - in \_\_\_\_\_ the heart of God. we that God is Love. Love for o'er\_\_\_\_ the so ev - er u ni - verse must reign.

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(this and all similar page refs. refer to Book of Common Prayer) Confession of Sin .....p. 41 Invitatory and Psalter.....p. 42 Venite......p. 44 Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned

against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Epistle.....1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Holy Gospel ......Matthew 25: 14-30 Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."" 

The Apostles Creed	p. 53
The Prayers	p. 54

Suffrages Set A
A Collect for Sundays
Welcome and Announcements
Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:
Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever
they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sor-
rowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all under-
standing abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Prayer for Missionp. 57
General Thanksgivingp. 58
Sending Forthp. 59
Recessional Hymn–O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines
O day of peace that dim - ly_ shines through all our
Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the
hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and
fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly
love, de-liv-ered from our self - ish schemes. May swords of graze, a lit-tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e -
graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e - $\frac{10}{2}$
hate fall fromour hands, our hearts from en - vy find re-lease, till by God's
mies shall learn to love, all crea-tures find their true ac-cord; the hope of
grace our war ring world shall see Christ's promised raign of passe
grace our war-ring world shall see Christ's prom-ised reign of peace. peace shall be ful-filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

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Postlude: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" ...... John Rutter

Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Thomas, Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, Joseph Leahy, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Barry Witt, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Christa, Jean Dicus, Daniel Drayling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, John Ferme, Colette Furbush, Chris Goldsmith, Sally Hill, Loren, Mick Mohuchy, Bruce Schaefer, Roxanne Wall, and for the people of the middle east, and victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

# What's Happening!

#### "Come See" Concert & Variety Show — December 2nd, 5pm (Doors open at 4:30pm)

Come support our first ever Concert & Variety Show! We'll have an assortment of talent joining us and showing off their skills, from silly pet tricks, to musical performances! Have a talent & wish to join? Talk to Ed Hinz 310-418-8138

#### Art Under the Arches – December 2nd-3rd, 10am

Help fundraise for Harbor Interfaith through art!

#### Advent Sunday Breakfast & Wreath Making – December 3rd, 11:15am

All families and parishioners are invited to our annual Advent Sunday Breakfast and Wreath Making Event happening Nov 3rd, in the Parish Hall. Bring in your old metal, or foam wreaths and gently used candles to create your arrangement this year! If you don't have any, we will have plenty of supplies for you to use.

#### St. Anne's Christmas Auction – Nov 6th, 6pm

Join us for our St. Anne's annual Christmas Auction for some food, fun, and fellowship!

### Christmas Eve Services – Dec 24th, 10am, 11:30am, 4pm, and 9pm

Christmas is almost here! Join us to celebrate Christmas Eve our 10am service, followed by the Children's Choir at 11:30am, the Children's Pageant/Story Service at 4pm, and the traditional Christmas Eve service at 9pm.

### Christmas Day – Dec 25th, 9am

Celebrate the birth of Jesus with us on this holy day!

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