Proper 9 Sunday, July 6, 2025 * 10:00 am



Guest Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Peter Huang Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome all people into our community without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

St. Francis Episcopal Church welcomes all people to receive Holy Communion. If you have not been baptized but would like to be, please talk to Father Jason after the service.

Consider making a donation of altar flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of someone you love. (The suggested donation is \$50.) Contact Gina in the church office at 310-375-4617 or Gina.McQueen@stfrancispalosverdes.org.

A new pair of speakers for the chapel have been donated in loving memory of Judie Ann Turner by QSC and her family.

Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

Coming Events

Sunday, July 6

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Monday, July 7

• 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, July 9

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Blue Bin Sorting
- 11:00 am Good Grief Meeting
- 6:00 pm Men's Corner

Thursday, July 10

• 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, July 11

• 9:00 am Beaders Group

Sunday, July 13

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer (Rite II)

Note: Fr. Jason returns from vacation on July 8.

The Word of God

Please stand as able and join in singing.



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: "Hyfrydol," Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

The Opening Acclamation

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant A

People

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Reader A Reading from the Second book of Kings.

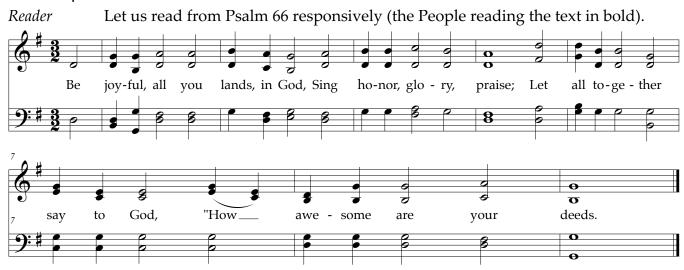
¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

ReaderThe Word of the LordPeopleThanks be to God.

The Response: Psalm 66



Words: Psalm 66, para., Christopher L. Webber © 1986. Music: "Azmon," Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829).

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; * sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise. ²Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! * because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you. ³All the earth bows down before you, * sings to you, sings out your Name." ⁴Come now and see the works of God, * how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people......Refrain ⁵He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, * and there we rejoiced in him. ⁶In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; * let no rebel rise up against him. ⁷Bless our God, you peoples; * make the voice of his praise to be heard; ⁸Who holds our souls in life, * and will not allow our feet to slip......Refrain The Second Lesson: Galatians 6:7-16

Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Galatia.

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised — only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

ReaderThe Word of the LordPeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam'st to Earth Hymnal #598 Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up awe - ful ad - vent Ο Love, which found no room in. New the Christ, shall of love of 0 wound - ed hands of Ie sus, build in_ bound thee, they on а cross and mocked thy sav ing life where sin de nied thee, and, doomed to death, must till the night we a gain re fuse thee, in of pride is dust, us thy new а tion; our cre our king - ship then thorns which thev crowned thee: by_ with and bring doom the ____ powers which fied thee, till to cru ci hate and war we____ per ish we___ lose thee? From as la stilled, thy tion: Ο vaunt is we____ wait rev e _ thorns still our wrongs may weave thee now new to pierce that not stone was left on stone, and all those na - tions' а old un - faith souls re - lease seek the king - dom our to love that tri - umphs loss, bring hearts be 0 _ ver we our 12 robe row_ round thee. stead - v brow. and of sor pride, o'er-thrown, dust went down to be side thee! **ô**f thy by which a - lone choose thee. peace, we_ fore the cross, to fin - ish thy sal va - tion.

> Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), alt. Music: "Mit Freuden zart," melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. "Psaumes cinquante de David," 1547, and "Kirchengesang darinnen die Heubtartikel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), after Henirich Reimann (19 cent.).

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

¹The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please stand as able and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

All

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

The Rev. Peter Huang

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please remain standing as able.

The Prayers of the People (the People read the responses in **bold**)

Reader	Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
	Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Reader	Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Reader	Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Reader	Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Reader	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Reader	We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.
	Silence
Reader People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Celebrant	Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our

blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Please kneel or sit as able.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy + on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand as able.

The Peace

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

The Welcome and Announcements

Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:

All Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loves us, bring offerings of praise and thanksgiving to his table.

The Offertory Anthem

Spirit of the Living God, Daniel Iverson/Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me, Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me.

Refrain:

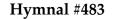
Ev'ry time I feel the spirit movin' in my heart, I will pray Yes, ev'ry time I feel the spirit movin' in my heart, I will pray.

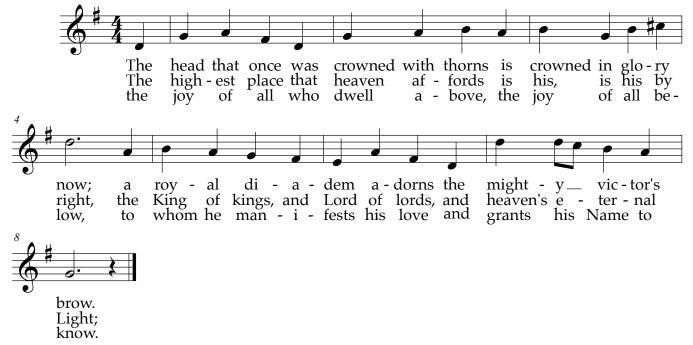
Upon the mountain my Lord spoke. Out of his mouth came fire and smoke. All around me looks so fine, ask my Lord if all was mine.

Jordan River runs right cold, chills the body, not the soul. Ain't but one train on this track, runs to heaven and right back.

St. Francis Choir

The Offertory Hymn The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns





Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855). Music: "St. Mangus," melody from "Divine Companion," 1707; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.).

Please stand as able.

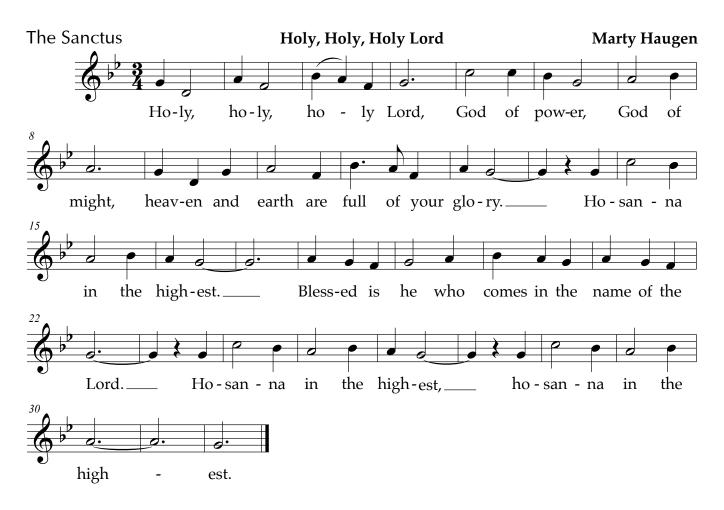
The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:



Music: "Mass of Creation; Marty Haugen (b. 1950) © 1984, GIA Publications, Inc.

Please kneel or stand as able as the Celebrant 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,

All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory; 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 St. Francis and 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*.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: "Duke Street," John Hatton (d. 1793).

The Invitation

Celebrant Remember that Christ died for you, and feed on him on your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

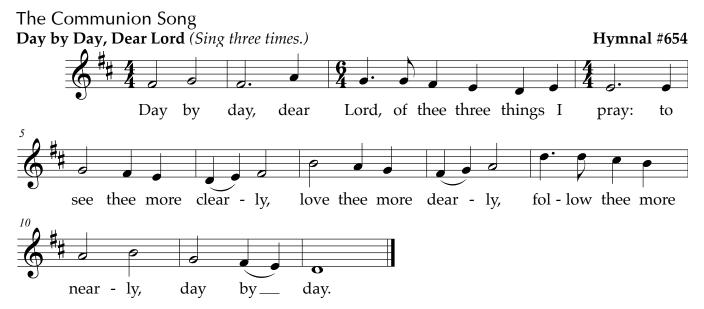
For our online community: an invitation to pray together the spiritual communion prayer from the National Cathedral. A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (*St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787*)

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where you may light a candle and, if you wish, someone will be available to pray with you.

The Communion of the People

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. If you do not wish to receive, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish Communion to be brought to you. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask.



Words: Att. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253). Music: "Sumner," Arthur Henry Biggs (1906-1954).

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant 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.

The Prayer of St. Francis

Celebrant Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

PeopleWhere there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where
there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair,
hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we
may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to
understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in
pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal
life. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant And, the blessing of God Almighty, + The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit be with you always.

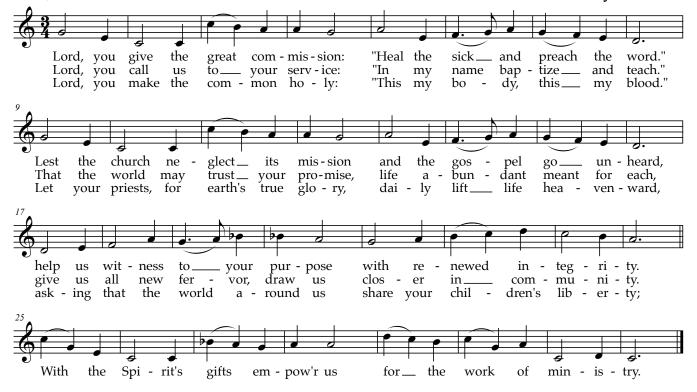
All Amen.

The Sending Forth

DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.AllThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Recessional Hymn Lord, You Gave the Great Commission



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The Postlude

The Stars and Stripes Forever

John Philip Sousa

Prayers this Week

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

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Brad, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump, Ceri Falk, Chris, Colette Furbush, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Gail Winters, George Ginis, Hector Gutierrez, Jane Sharp, The Johnson Family, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Patt Parker, Richard Cantine, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Tommy, the people of the Middle East, victims of violence everywhere, and for all those who have been impacted by the wildfires, especially the people of St. Matthew's and St. Mark's.

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

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