Proper 12

Sunday, July 27, 2025 * 10:00 am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby

Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump Guest Organist: Patricia Johnston



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.

Flowers on the altar are given by the Hinz and Bacon families in loving memory of June Bacon.

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

Coming Events

Sunday, July 27

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:30 am Antiques Show Wrap-Up Meeting

Monday, July 28

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 5:00 pm Good Grief Meeting

Tuesday, July 29

• 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, July 30

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 5:00 pm Good Grief Meeting

Thursday, July 31

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, August 1

- 9:00 am Beaders Group
- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)

Sunday, August 3

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

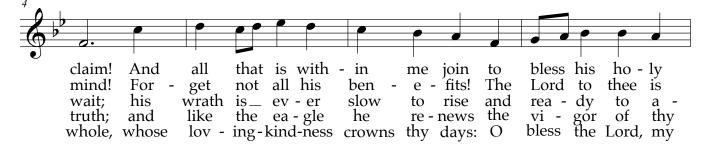
The Word of God

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Processional Hymn O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymnal #411







Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103:1-5. Music: "Festal Song," William H. Walter (1825-1893).

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God,

People 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.

The Gloria



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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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: Hosea 1:2-10

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.

²When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." ³So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

⁴And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. ⁵On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

⁶She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, "Name her Loruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. ⁷But I will have

pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

⁸When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. ⁹Then the LORD said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God."

¹⁰Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

Reader The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God.

The Response: Psalm 138

Reader Let us read from Psalm 138 responsively (the People reading the text in bold).





Words: Psalm 38, Paraphrase of Psalm 138 by Christopher L Webber © 1986. Music: "O Waly, Waly, English folk melody, harm. © 1990 John Weaver.

¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *

before the gods I will sing your praise.

²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *

because of your love and faithfulness;

³For you have glorified your Name *

and your word above all things.

⁴When I called, you answered me; *

you increased my strength within me.

⁶They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *

that great is the glory of the LORD.

Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *

he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *

you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *

O LORD, your love endures for ever;

do not abandon the works of your hands. Refrain

The Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-15

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

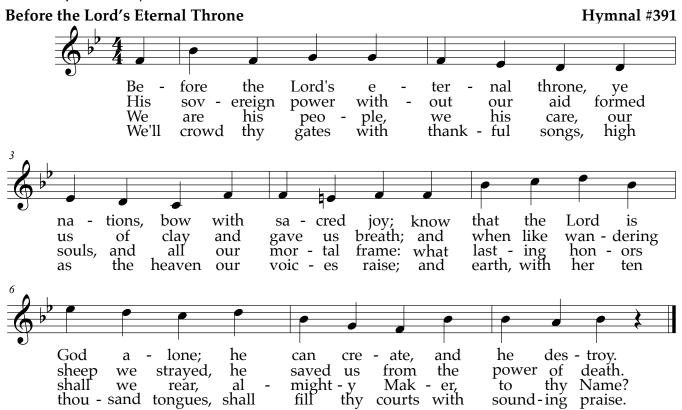
⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

*See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, Herasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Reader The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 100. Music: "Winchester New," melody from "Musicalishes Hand-Buch," 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²He said to them, "When you pray, say:

'Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon The Rev. Jason Shelby

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.

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 Lord, in your mercy People 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 Lord, in your mercy People **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 Lord, in your mercy People 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 Lord, in your mercy People **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 Lord, in your mercy People **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 Lord, in your mercy People **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

One Bread, One Body by John B. Foley, arr. Lloyd Larson

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we serve one Lord,

We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.

Refrain

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

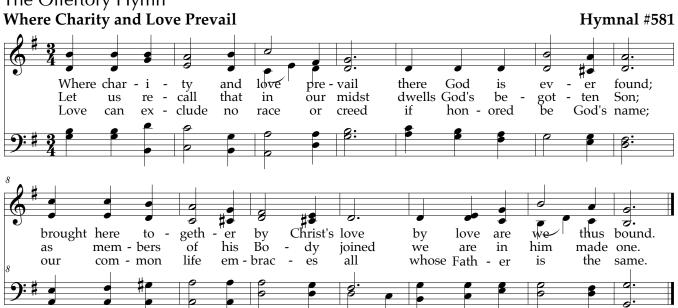
Refrain

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

Refrain

St. Francis Choir

The Offertory Hymn



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Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

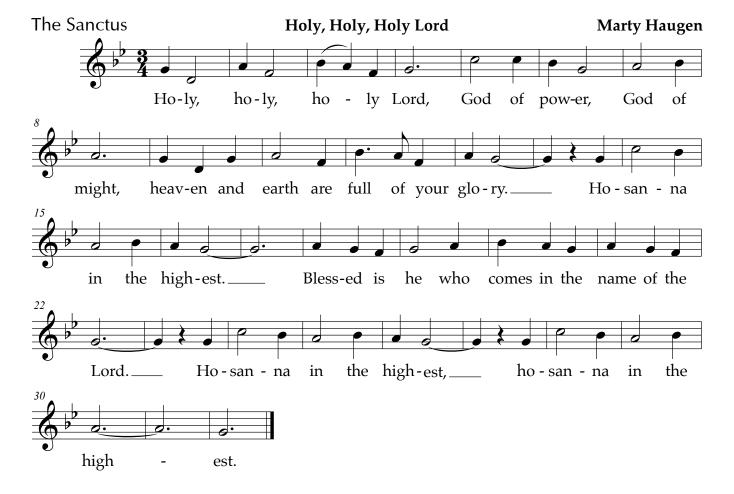
People We lift them to the Lord.

CelebrantPeopleLet 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

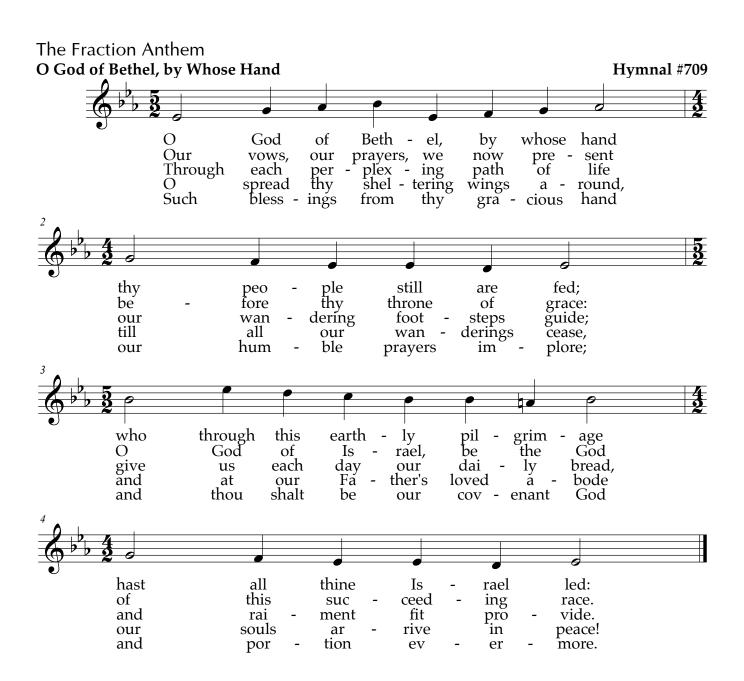
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.



Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt. Music: "Dundee," melody from "The CL Psalmes of David," 1615; harm. Thomas Ravenscroft (1592?-1635?), alt.

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.

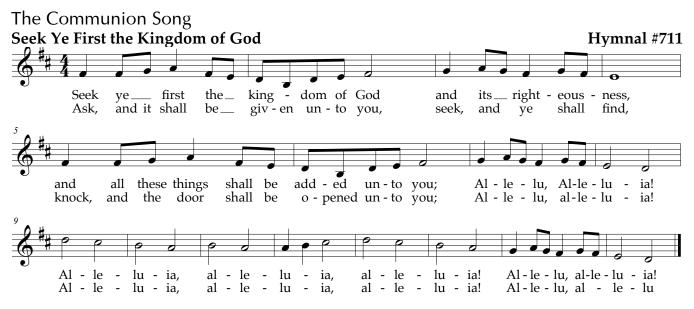
My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely 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.



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Music: "Seek Ye First," Karen Lafferty (20th cent.).

Please kneel or stand as able.

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.

People Where 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

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

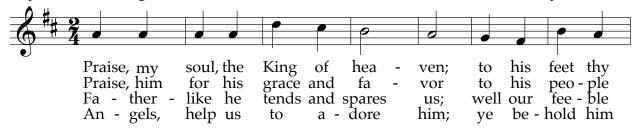
All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Recessional Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Hymnal #410



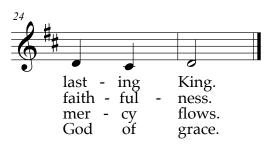


tri - bute bring; in dis - tress; frame he knows; face to face; ran - somed, praise him in his sun and healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - still, the same as ev - er, slow to hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers



more his prais-es sing: chide, and swift to bless: us from all our foes. all in time and space.

Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Praise the ev-er-Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Glo - rious in his Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Wide - ly yet his Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Praise with us the



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The Postlude Jubilation James Denton

Volunteers Needed! WWW.

We're seeking volunteers for these roles at our Sunday Services:

- Usher (10am)
- Greeter (8am & 10am)
- Reader (8am)
- Verger (10am)
- Chalice Bearer (10am)

- Oblation Bearer (10am)
- Prayer Team (10am)
- Live-streaming (10am)
- Sound (10am)

Would you be willing to serve in any of these important ministries?

When you sign up, your name will be added to the volunteer roster. Volunteers are rotated and may be scheduled one or two* Sundays a month.

Contact Gina McQueen to sign up or for more information.

Call: (310) 375-4617 ● Email: gina.mcqueen@stfrancispalosverdes.org

^{*}Depending on the availability and number of volunteers in each role, some people may be asked to serve more than two Sundays in any given month.



It's time to get ready! The 2025 gigantic St. Francis Annual Rummage Sale will be held on two consecutive Fridays and Saturdays: August 15-16 and August 22-23 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Drop off donations from July 21st to August 11th, Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM in the Parish Hall. We will be accepting donations of gently used items such as clothing, kitchenware, furniture and other odds and ends.

Can you help? We need helpers from July 21 to August 27 to prepare items for the sale and help with cleaning up and packing unsold items after the sale. We will meet Monday-Friday, 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM in the Parish Hall. The task of preparing for the sale involves sitting, standing and walking. Come for a few hours or stay all day (bring your lunch, we take a break between Noon and 1:00 PM). Whether you are new to St. Francis or have worked the annual sale for the past 25 years, we welcome your help. Participation is a great way to raise funds for the church and to get to know one another! Please join us!

All the money raised through the sale goes towards the long-term upkeep of the buildings at St. Francis. In 2024, the funds paid for the replacement of half of the roof on the Parish Hall. This year, we funded plumbing repairs for the Chapel. Our goal is to raise enough to complete the Parish Hall roof in the future.

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, Anne Sharp, 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, 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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