

Proper 14

Sunday, August 10, 2025 ❖ 8:00 am

Guest Preacher: Angie Witt

Celebrant: The Rev. Jason Shelby

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.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jeffrey Michael Long by Diane Diekman, marking the anniversary of his passing on August 10, 2017.

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

Coming Events

Sunday, August 10

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

Monday, August 11

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

Tuesday, August 12

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

Wednesday, August 13

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Good Grief Meeting
- 6:00 pm Men's Corner

Thursday, August 14

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

Friday, August 15

- 9:30 am St. Francis Annual Rummage Sale Day 1

Saturday, August 16

- 9:30 am St. Francis Annual Rummage Sale Day 2

Sunday, August 17

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

The Processional Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Hymnal #366



Ho - ly God, we praise thy name, Lord of all — we bow be - fore thee;
Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train join, thy sa - cred Name to hal - low;
Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit Three we name thee,

9
all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;
cher - u - bim — and ser - a - phin, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;
pro - phets swell the loud re - frain, and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;

17
in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is — thy reign.
fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord.
and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
then, a - dor - ing bend the knee and con - fess — the mys - ter - y.

Words: Para. of "Te Deum"; sts. 1-4, Ignaz Franz (1719-1790); tr. Clarence Walworth (1820-1900);
Music: "Grosser Gott," melody from "Katholisches Gesangbuch," 1686, alt. "Cantate," 1851;
harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after Conrad Kocher (1786-1872).

The Opening AcclamationBook of Common Prayer p. 323
The Collect for PurityBook of Common Prayer p. 323
The Summary of the Law.....Book of Common Prayer p. 324
The Kyrie.....Book of Common Prayer p. 324
The Collect of the DayBook of Common Prayer p. 325
The First Lesson.....Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
¹The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days
of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

¹²When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?

Trample my courts no more;
¹³bringing offerings is futile;
 incense is an abomination to me.
 New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation —
 I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed festivals
 my soul hates;
 they have become a burden to me,
 I am weary of bearing them.
¹⁵When you stretch out your hands,
 I will hide my eyes from you;
 even though you make many prayers,
 I will not listen;
 your hands are full of blood.
¹⁶Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
 remove the evil of your doings
 from before my eyes;
 cease to do evil,
¹⁷learn to do good;
 seek justice,
 rescue the oppressed,
 defend the orphan,
 plead for the widow.

¹⁸Come now, let us argue it out,
 says the LORD:
 though your sins are like scarlet,
 they shall be like snow;
 though they are red like crimson,
 they shall become like wool.
¹⁹If you are willing and obedient,
 you shall eat the good of the land;
²⁰but if you refuse and rebel,
 you shall be devoured by the sword;
 for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Response Psalm 33:12-22 (Book of Common Prayer p. 626)

The Epistle Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren — because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand

by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Holy Gospel Luke 12:32-40
Jesus said to his disciples, ³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Sermon..... Angie Witt
The Nicene CreedBook of Common Prayer p. 327
The Prayers of the People.....Book of Common Prayer p. 328
The ConfessionBook of Common Prayer p. 331
The PeaceBook of Common Prayer p. 332
The 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 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 Great ThanksgivingBook of Common Prayer p. 333
The Post-Communion Prayer.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339
The Blessing and Sending Forth.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Recessional Hymn: O Wondrous Type, O Vision Fair

Hymnal #137

O won - drous type! O vis - ion fair of
 With Mos - es and E - li - jah nigh their -
 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ
 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by
 glo - ry that the Church may share, which Christ up -
 car - nate Lord holds con - verse high; and from the
 deigns to man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry
 this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in -
 on the moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he
 cloud, the Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly
 shall be theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect
 joy - ful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of
 glows!
 Son.
 love.
 praise.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt..
 Music: "Wareham," melody William Knapp (1698-1768), alt.; harm. "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1875,
 after James Turle (1802-1882); desc. Sudney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947),
 by permission of the Royal School of Church Music.

The Postlude

Les Cloches

Nicolas Lebeque

Volunteers Needed!



**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.

*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.

Contact Gina McQueen to sign up or for more information.
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2025 Annual



August 15-16 and August 22-23

8:00 AM—2:00 PM

2200 Via Rosa, Palos Verdes Estates, Ca 90274

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, 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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