

Proper 15

Sunday, August 17, 2025 ♦ 10:00 am

Celebrant and Preacher: 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 by Anna Eakins in loving memory of her mother, Mioko Kozaki, on the occasion of her mother's birthday, August 19, and in thanksgiving for family.

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

Coming Events

Sunday, August 17

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

Monday, August 18

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

Tuesday, August 19

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 6:00 pm Finance Meeting
- 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, August 20

- 9:30 am Rummage Sale Setup (Parish Hall)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 11:00 am Good Grief Meeting

Thursday, August 21

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

Friday, August 22

- 8:00 am St. Francis Annual Rummage Sale Day 3

Saturday, August 23

- 8:00 am St. Francis Annual Rummage Sale Day 4

Sunday, August 24

- 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

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

Hymnal #495



Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -
 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on
 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er
 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy

4
 le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us; thou didst free sal -
 thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed, thou hast full a -
 to a - bid; all the heav - en - ly hosts a - dore thee, seat - ed at thy
 to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing, right it is for

8
 va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal Sa - vior, bear - er of our
 tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for - giv - en through the vir - tue
 Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art plead - ing: there thou dost our
 us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic spi - rits, all your no - blest

12
 sin and shame! By thy mer - it we find fa - vor: life is giv - en
 of thy blood: o - pened is the gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are
 place pre - pare; ev - er for us in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry
 an - thems raise; help to sing our Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em -

16
 through thy Name.
 we with God.
 we ap - pear.
 man - uel's praise!

Words: John Bakewell (1721-1819) and Martin Madan (1726-1790), alt.

Music: "In Babilone," melody from "Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradanseu," 1710;
 harm. Roy F. Kehl (b. 1935).

The Opening Acclamation

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant then continues

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

⁴Then the officials said to the king, "This man ought to be put to death, because he is discouraging the soldiers who are left in this city, and all the people, by speaking such words to them. For this man is not seeking the welfare of this people, but their harm." ⁵King Zedekiah said, "Here he is; he is in your hands; for the king is powerless against you." ⁶So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern of Malchiah, the king's son, which was in the court of the guard, letting Jeremiah down by ropes. Now there was no water in the cistern, but only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud.

⁸So Ebed-melech left the king's house and spoke to the king, ⁹My lord king, these men have acted wickedly in all they did to the prophet Jeremiah by throwing him into the cistern to die there of hunger, for there is no bread left in the city. ¹⁰Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, "Take three men with you from here, and pull the prophet Jeremiah up from the cistern before he dies."

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

The Response: Psalm 82

Reader Let us read from Psalm 82 responsively (the People reading the text in bold).



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- ¹God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
²"How long will you judge unjustly, *
and show favor to the wicked?
³Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;
⁴Rescue the weak and the poor; *
deliver them from the power of the wicked.Refrain
⁵They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
⁶Now I say to you, 'You are gods, *
and all of you children of the Most High;
⁷Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any prince.' "
⁸Arise, O God, and rule the earth, *
for you shall take all nations for your own.Refrain

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:29—12:2

Reader A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor

Hymnal #596

Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and
Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that
Crown, O God, thine own en - dea - vor; cleave our dark - ness

King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment purge this land of
brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or cries a - loud for
with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee with the rich - ness

bit - ter things; sol - ace all its wide do - min - ion
sin to cease; and the home - steads and the wood - lands
of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy of this na - tion

with the heal - ing of thy wings.
plead in si - lence for their peace.
through the glo - ry of the Lord.

Words: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), alt. Music: "Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens," melody from "Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch," 1693.

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, ⁴⁹"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From

now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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.

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present Olivia to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents

I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents

I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents

I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents

I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents

I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents

I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Please remain standing as able.

The Prayers for the Candidate (the People read the responses in **bold**)

Celebrant Let us now pray for her who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

The Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the

baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Celebrant Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Baptism

Celebrant Olivia, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying

Celebrant Olivia, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

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 Musical Offering

"Hear Ye, Israel" by Felix Mendelssohn, text from Elijah

Jill Lynch, soprano

The Offertory Hymn

The Lord Will Come and Be Not Slow

Hymnal #462

The musical score is written for soprano and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: 'The Lord will come and not be slow, his foot-steps can - not err; be - Truth from the earth, like to a flower, shall bud and blos - som show; and For great thou art, and won - ders great by thy strong hand are done: thou'. The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: 'fore him right - eous - ness shall go, his roy - al har - bin - ger. jus - tice, from her heaven - ly bower, look down on us be - low. in thy ev - er - last - ing seat re - main - est God a - lone.' The piano accompaniment is written in the bass staff and consists of chords and single notes.

Words: John Milton (1608-1674), alt. Music: "St. Anne," melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **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:

The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Marty Haugen

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of

8
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na

15
in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the

22
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the

30
high - est.

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.**

The Fraction Anthem

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymnal #691

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 May thy rich grace im-part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's

guilt a-way; O let me from this day be who - ly thine.
 love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.
 tears a-way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887). Music: "Olivet," Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

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.

The Communion Song

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Hymnal #490



I want to walk as a child of light. I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to see the bright - ness of God. I want to look at Je - sus.
I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The light of my life is Je - sus.
Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
When we have run with pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the day are both a - like. The
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Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.
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Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Words: Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934). Music: "Houston," Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934), Copyright © 1970, 1975, Celebration.

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

How Firm a Foundation

Hymnal #636



How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord, is
"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed! For
"When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go, the
"When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie, my
"The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose, I
laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word! What
I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll
riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow; for
grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply; the
will not, I will not de - sert to its foes; that
more can he say than to you he hath said, to
strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, up -
I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless, and
flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign thy
soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake, I'll
you that for re - fuge to Je - sus have fled?
held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

Words: K. in John Rippon's "Selection," 1787. Music: "Foundation,"
melody from "The Sacred Harp," 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)



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.



Musical Offering Schedule

August 2025, 10 a.m. Service

While the St. Francis Choir takes a break in August, enjoy our lineup of outstanding Guest Singers.

August 3

Anthony Lowe, tenor
“Beautiful City” by Stephen Schwartz

August 17

Jill Lynch, soprano
“Hear Ye, Israel”,
Felix Mendelssohn, from *Elijah*

August 10

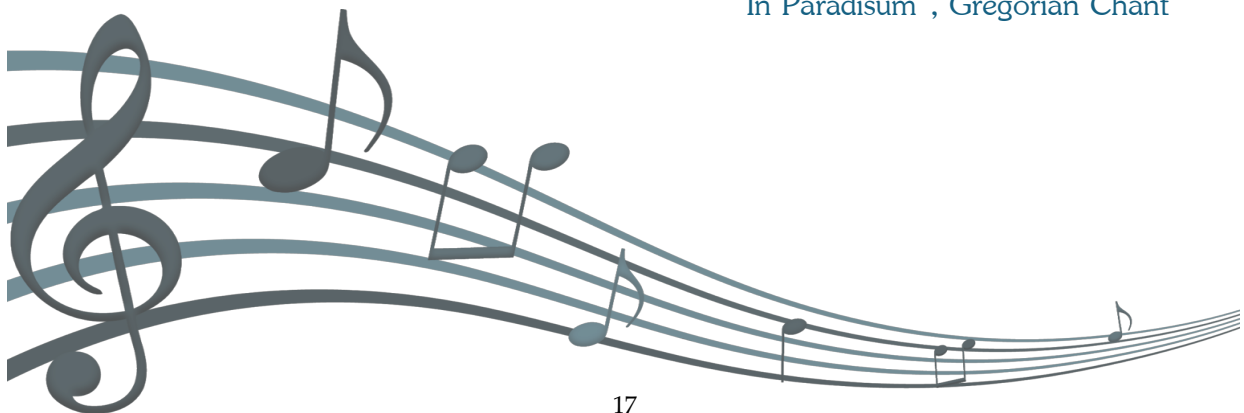
A Trio of 3 Generations
Susie Zimmerman, Marian
Horton & Tori Horton
“On the Willows” by Stephen Schwartz

August 24

Susan Tsuji, tenor
“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”, Spiritual

August 31

Gracie Fiege
“In Paradisum”, Gregorian Chant



Volunteers Needed!



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

- Usher (10am)
- Verger (10am)
- Chalice Bearer (10am)
- Oblation Bearer (10am)
- Prayer Team (10am)
- Live-streaming (10am)
- Sound (10am)
- Sun. School Childcare (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 on more than two Sundays in any given month.

Contact Gina McQueen to sign up or for more information.
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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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