

Proper 23, Year C

Sunday, October 12, 2025 ❖ 10:00 am



Guest Preacher: Cara Nilsen

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.

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.

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

Coming Events

Sunday, October 12

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class (Library)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:30 am Faithful Families Potluck (Parish Hall)

Monday, October 13—Church office closed (Columbus Day)

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 15

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Blue Bin Sorting
- 11:00 am Good Grief Meeting (Library)
- 7:00 pm Women's Lectionary Study (Library)

Thursday, October 16

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Sunday, October 19

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class (Library)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

The Word of God

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Processional Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymnal #390

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 Praise to the Lord: o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly reign - eth:
 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de - fend thee;
 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion!
 borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his saints he sus - tain - eth.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall ev - er at - tend thee;
 All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

join the great throng, psal - ter - y, or - gan, and song, sound-ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 Hast thou not seen how all thou need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. "Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: "Lobe den Herren," melody from "Erneuerten Gesangbuch," 1665;
 harm. "The Chorale Book for England," 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971);
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The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

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

People

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

A Meditation on Community (from *Gates of Prayer for Shabbat and Weekdays* by Chaim Stern)

Celebrant Each of us enters this sanctuary with a different need.

Some hearts are full of gratitude and joy:

They are overflowing with the happiness of love and the joy of life; they are eager to confront the day, to make the world more fair; they are recovering from illness or have escaped misfortune.

All **And we rejoice with them.**

Celebrant Some hearts ache with sorrow:

Disappointments weigh heavily upon them, and they have tasted despair; families have been broken; loved ones lie on a bed of pain; death has taken those whom they cherished.

All **May our presence and sympathy bring them comfort.**

Celebrant Some hearts are embittered:

They have sought answers in vain; ideals are mocked and betrayed; life has lost its meaning and value.

All **May the knowledge that we, too, are searching, restore their hope and give them courage to believe that not all is emptiness.**

Celebrant Some spirits hunger:

They long for friendship; they crave understanding; they yearn for warmth.

May we in our common need and striving gain strength from one another, as we share our joys, lighten each other's burdens, and pray for the welfare of our community. *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

Glory to God, Rutter

WLP #900

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-
 13 might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
 25 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
 40 of the world: havemer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Father: re-ceive our prayer. For
 56 you a-lone are the Holy One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ,
 70 with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A men.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ 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 29:1, 4-7

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

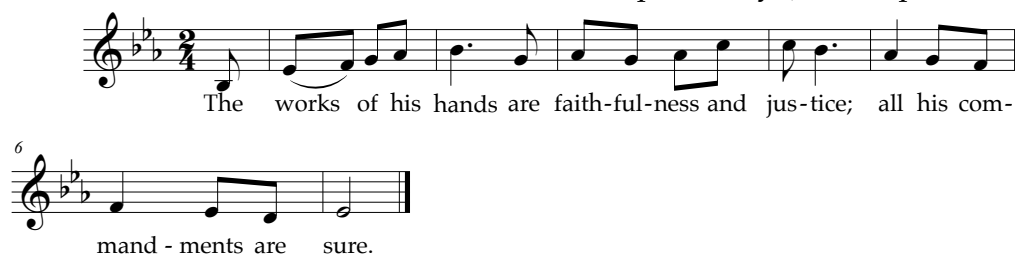
¹These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response: Psalm 111

Reader Let us read from Psalm 111 responsively (the People reading the text in bold).



Words: Psalm 111, v. 7. Music: Mark Bennett, Copyright © 2025.

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

³His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.Refrain

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

⁸They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.Refrain

The Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Reader A Reading from Paul's Second letter to Timothy.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present

yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal #493

O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and
He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new
Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your
Glo - ry to God and praise and love be

3
dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
sist me to pro - claim, and spread through all the
bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
life the dead re - ceive, the mourn - ful bro - ken
loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold, your
now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

6
God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!
saints a - bove, the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: "Azmon," Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829);
adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

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

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

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?" ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Cara Nilsen

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**)

Deacon Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Deacon For all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Alyssa Capellino Baxter, Barry Witt, Jonathan Zimmerman, Joseph Leay, Mark Kappelmann, Michael Heredia, Michale Strong, Scott Ruston, Steve, Thomas Dawson, TJ Malzahn, and Will Piepenbring, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon For 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, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Gail Winters, Jeff Mercer, 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, the victims of violence everywhere, and for those who commit violence, that they may cease their evil ways and know the Love of Christ. Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon Give to the departed eternal rest, especially George Ginis;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *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 Communion Anthem

The Perfect Wisdom of Our God

Keith Getty, arr. Larry Shackley

*The perfect wisdom of our God revealed in all the universe;
All things created by His hand and held together at His command.
He knows the myst'ries of the seas; the secrets of the stars are His.
He guides the planets on their way and turns the earth through another day.
The matchless wisdom of His way that marks the path of righteousness;
His words a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.
And O, the myst'ry of the cross, that God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise and all the glory might go to Christ.
O grant me wisdom from above to pray for peace and cling to love.
And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your sov'reignty.
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace.
So through the trials I choose to say, "Your perfect will in your perfect way."
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace.
So through the trials I choose to say, "Your perfect will in your perfect way."*

St. Francis Choir

The Offertory Hymn

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymnal #411

O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro -
O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in
Then bless his ho - ly Name, whose grace hath made thee
claim! And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly
mind! For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is
whole, whose lov - ing - kind - ness crowns thy days: O bless the Lord, my
name.
kind.
soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103:1-5.
Music: "St. Thomas, (Williams)," melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776);
harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

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.

Because in the obedience of your saints you have given us an example of righteousness, and in their eternal joy a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.

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 Help Us, O Lord, to Learn

Hymnal #628

Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths your word im - parts: to
Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we pro - claim, that
Help us, O Lord, to teach the beau - ty of your ways, that

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stu - dy, that your laws may be in - scribed up - on our hearts.
all our thoughts and words and deeds may glo - ri - fy your name.
yearn-ing souls may find the Christ and live a life of praise.

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The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God, Holy gifts for Holy People.

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
O Christ, the Healer

Hymnal #772



O Christ, the heal-er, we have come to pray for
From ev-ery ail-ment flesh en-dures our bod-ies
How strong, O Lord, are our de-sires, how weak our
In con-flicts that de-destroy our health we rec-og-
Grant that we all, made in one faith, in your com-
health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
clam-or to be freed; yet in our hearts we
know-ledge of our-selves! Re-lease in us those
nize the world's dis-ease; our com-mon life de-
mu-ni-ty may find the whole-ness that, en-
be re-stored, when reached by love that nev-er ends?
would con-fess that whole-ness is our deep-est need.
heal-ing truths un-con-scious pride re-sists our selves.
clares our ills: is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
rich-ing us, shall reach the whole of hu-man-kind.

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Music: "Kedron," melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826); harm. "The Southern Harmony," 1835;
adapt. "Hymnal 1982" © Church Pension Fund.

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

Now Thank We All Our God

Hymnal #397

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has four measures, the second has four measures, and the third has four measures. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voic - es, who won-drous things hath
O may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us! with ev - er - joy - ful
All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en, the Son, and him who

done, in whom this world re - joic - es; who, from our moth-er's arms, hath
hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and
reigns with them in high - est heav - en, e - ter - nal, Tri - une God, who

blessed us on our way with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
guide_ us when per - plexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
earth_ and heav'n a - dore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

Words: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
Music: "Nun danket alle Gott," melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662);
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847).

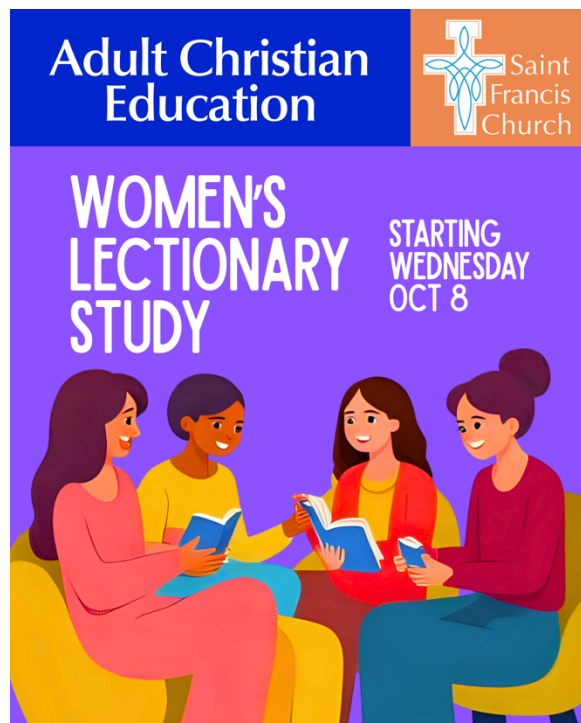
The Postlude

Toccata

Flor Peeters

Connect and Grow Together!

Two new opportunities are beginning at St. Francis to help us deepen our faith and strengthen our community. **Faithful Families** is a new social opportunity for parishioners of all ages to gather for fellowship, support, and fun throughout the year. Our **Women's Lectionary Study**, part of our Adult Christian Education program, invites women to explore the Sunday readings together in an open and welcoming setting. Both groups are wonderful ways to build new friendships and grow in faith — we look forward to seeing you there!



Women's Lectionary Study Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Our Discerner, Cara Nilsen, has launched a Women's Lectionary Study on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. All women are warmly invited to come explore Scripture together in fellowship and conversation. We'll be using **A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church Year W** by Dr. Wilda Gafney, reflecting on the scripture readings, praying together, and enjoying light snacks with coffee or tea. Bring your Bible and a friend!

RSVP to Cara Nilsen
(cara.nilsen@stfrancispalosverdes.org)
would be appreciated, but know that walk-ins are always welcome.

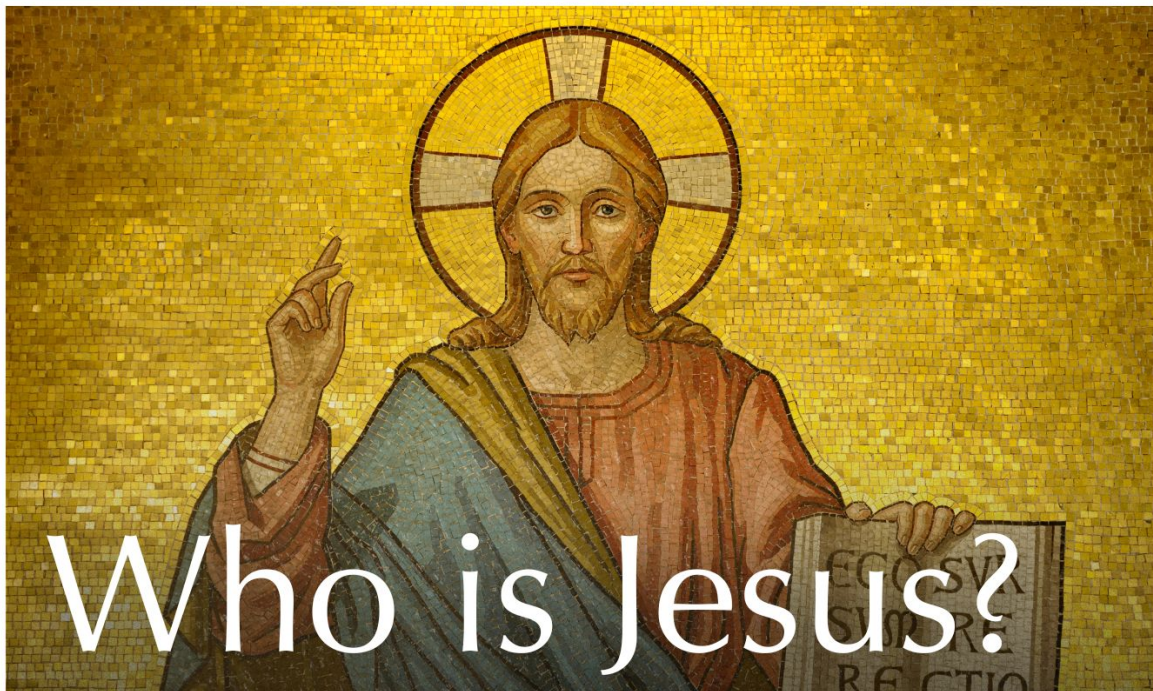


Faithful Families Potluck Monthly on Second Sundays

St. Francis is starting a monthly Faithful Families Potluck on the 2nd Sunday of each month, beginning Sunday, October 12! After the 10:00 a.m. service, join us at 11:30 a.m. in the Board Room (Parish Hall) for a family-style potluck lunch.

Bring enough to feed your family and a little extra to share. This is a chance to enjoy fellowship, friendship, and community—an opportunity to relax, get to know one another, and let the kids have some fun (yes, the ping-pong table will be set up!).

RSVP to Shelley Reece
(shelley.reece@stfrancispalosverdes.org)
for details.



Continuing Spiritual Formation Series Every Sunday in the St. Francis Library

Have you ever found yourself wondering about Jesus—who he is, what he teaches, and what his words might mean for us today? Whether you're curious, questioning, seeking a deeper connection, or exploring baptism or confirmation, you're warmly invited to join us for a new series of conversations: Who Is Jesus?

We'll meet on **Sundays at 9:10ish–9:45 a.m.** in the **St. Francis Library**, between the morning services. Each gathering will grow out of our Sunday readings, offering space for honest questions, open conversation, and shared discovery.

To RSVP or learn more, please reach out to Deacon Celeste at 310-913-1069 or cstump@thecanterbury.org. I look forward to the journey with you!



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We're seeking volunteers for our Sunday Services.

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

- Usher (10am)
- Greeter (8am & 10am)
- Reader (8am & 10am)
- Verger (10am)
- Chalice Bearer (10am)
- Oblation Bearer (10am)
- Prayer Team (10am)
- Live-streaming (10am)
- Sound (10am)
- Sun. School Childcare (10am)

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

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 Kappelman, 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, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Gail Winters, Jeff Mercer, 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, especially George Ginis, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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