

Proper 25, Year C

Sunday, October 26, 2025 ❖ 8:00 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.

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 26

- 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)

Monday, October 27

- 6:00 pm St. Anne's Guild Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, October 28

- 7:00 pm Taizé (Chapel)

Wednesday, October 29

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

Thursday, October 30

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, October 31

- 7:00 pm City of Angels Pipers and Drummers Concert

Sunday, November 2 — All Saints Sunday

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel) with Baptism
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class (Library)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:45 am Altar Guild Planning Meeting

For more coming events, small discussion groups, and worship opportunities, visit our website at <https://www.stfrancispalosverdes.org/> and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and YouTube.

The Processional Hymn: Praise the Spirit in Creation

Hymnal #506

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Praise the Spi - rit in cre - a - tion,
 Praise the Spi - rit, close com - pan - ion
 Praise the Spi - rit, who en - light - ened
 Praise, O praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

2



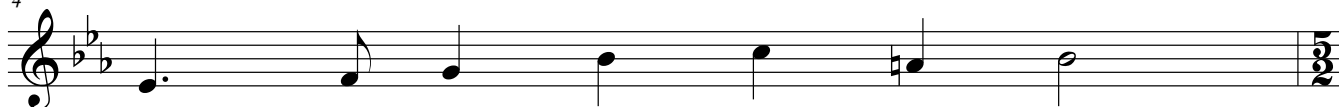
breath of our God, life's or i - gin:
 of priests and in - most thoughts and ways;
 praise the the pro - phets with the word;
 the Fa - ther, praise the the Word,

3



Spi - rit, mov - ing on the wa - ters,
 who, in show - ing us God's won - ders,
 his the truth be - hind the wis - doms
 Source, and Truth, and In - spi - ra - tion,

4



quick - ening worlds to life with in,
 is him - self to the power to gaze;
 which as yet know not our Lord;
 Trin - i - ty in deep ac - cord:

5



source of breath to all things breath - ing,
 and God's will, to those who lis - ten,
 by whose love and power, in Je - sus
 through your voice which speaks with - in us

6



life in whom all lives be - gin.
 by a still small voice con - veys.
 God him - self was seen and heard.
 we, your crea - tures, call you Lord.

Words: Michael Hewlett (b. 1916), alt., By permission of Oxford University Press.
 Music: "Finnian," Christopher Dearnly (b. 1930), By permission of Oxford University Press.

The Opening Acclamation	Book of Common Prayer p. 323
The Collect for Purity	Book 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 Day	Book of Common Prayer p. 325
The First Lesson.....	Joel 2:23-32

²³O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the LORD your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.

²⁴The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

²⁶You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the LORD your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

²⁷You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

²⁸Then afterward
I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

²⁹Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

³⁰I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.

³¹The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. ³²Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

The Response..... Psalm 84:1-6 (Book of Common Prayer p. 707)

The Epistle 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted

against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Holy Gospel Luke 18:9-14

⁹Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The Sermon..... The Rev. Jason Shelby

The Nicene CreedBook of Common Prayer p. 327

The Prayers of the PeopleBook 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.

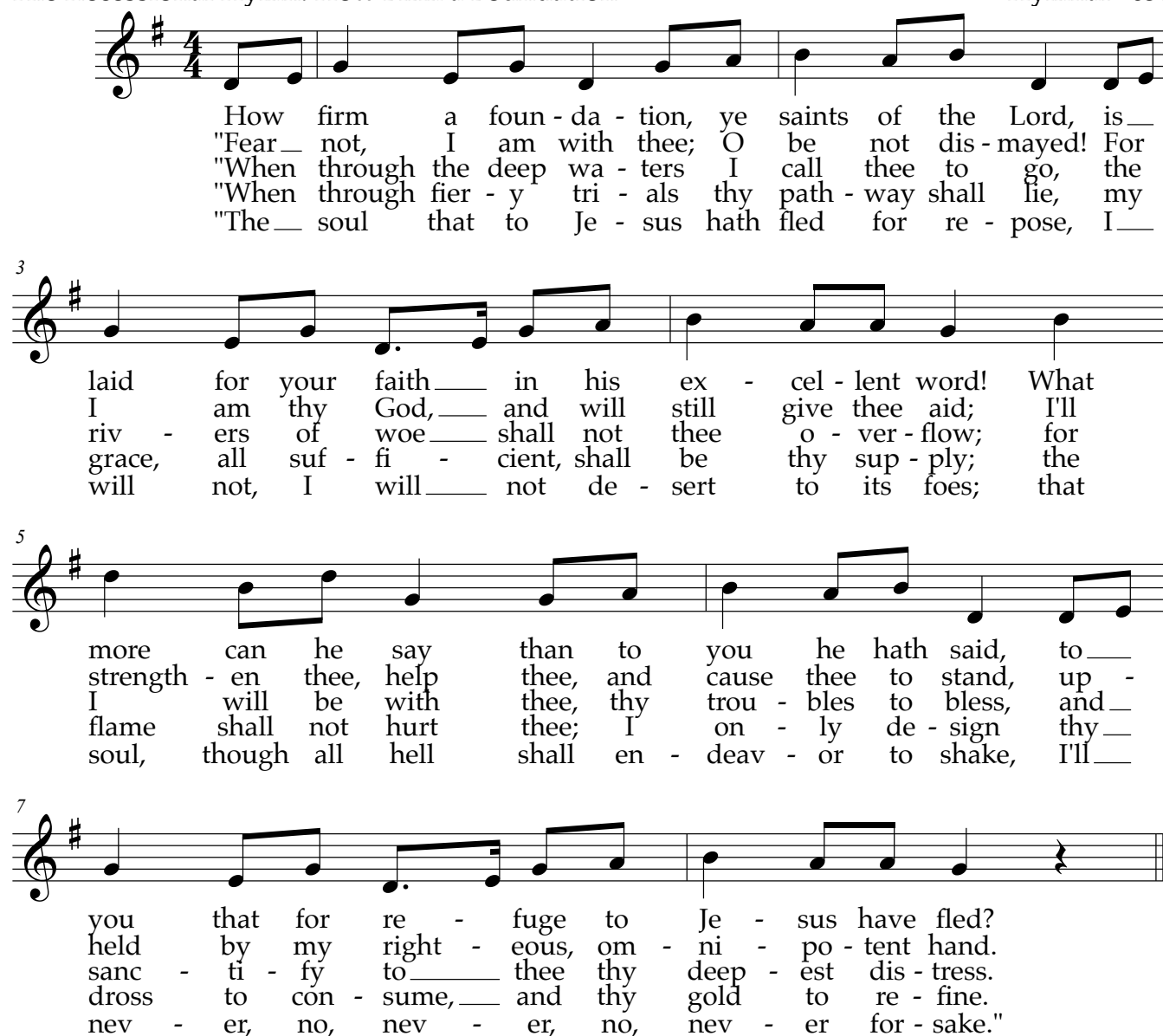
The Great ThanksgivingBook of Common Prayer p. 333

The Post-Communion Prayer.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Blessing and Sending Forth.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Recessional Hymn: 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 —

3
 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

5
 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 —

7
 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)

The Postlude

Plein Jeu a la Couperin

Gordon Young



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

HIGHLAND HALLOWEEN

Roddy MacLeod MBE, Jack Lee
Bob Worrall, Willie McCallum
Duncan Millar, Miles Bennington



PIPING & DRUMMING

Friday, October 31 at 7pm

St. Francis Episcopal Church
Palos Verdes Estates

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, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Gail Winters, Jeff Mercer, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, 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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