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Sunday, November 16, 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.

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, November 16 - In-Gathering Sunday

- 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)
- 4:00 pm Welsh Choir Concert

Monday, November 17

• 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 18

- 4:30 pm Teen Tuesdays (Parish Hall)
- 6:00 pm Finance Meeting
- 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, November 19

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 7:00 pm Lectionary Study (Library)

Thursday, November 20

• 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, November 21

• 4:00 pm St. Luke's Breakfast Prep (Kitchen)

Saturday, November 22

7:15 am St. Luke's Breakfast

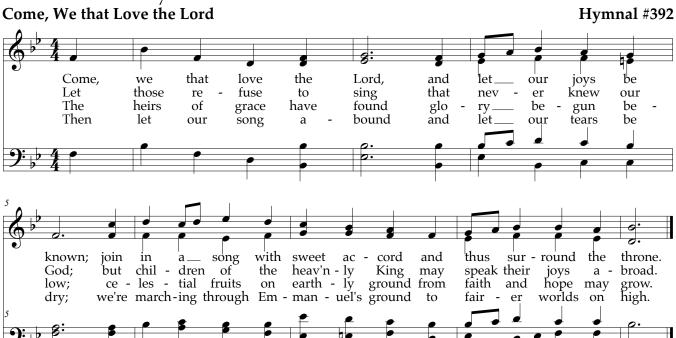
Sunday, November 23

- 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



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. 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.

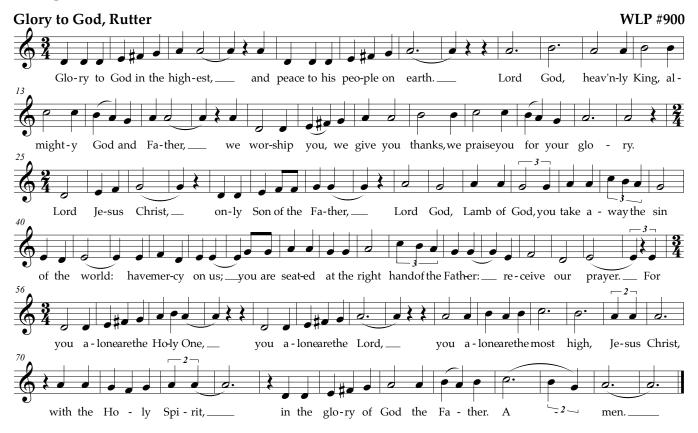
The Collect for Purity

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.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹⁷I am about to create new heavens

and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem,

and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well.

²⁴Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain,

on all my holy mounta says the LORD.

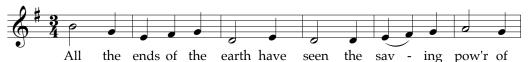
Reader

People

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

The Response: Psalm 98

Reader Let us read from Psalm 98 responsively (the People reading the text in bold).





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Sing to the LORD a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

²With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

³The LORD has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.Refrain

⁶Sing to the LORD with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁸Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *

the lands and those who dwell therein.

⁹Let the rivers clap their hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,

when he comes to judge the earth.

¹⁰In righteousness shall he judge the world *

and the peoples with equity.Refrain

The Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

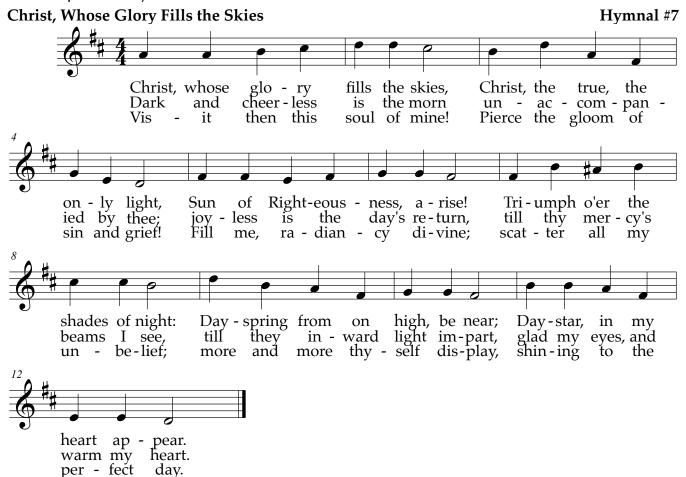
Reader A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: "Ratisbon," 1524; melody from "Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn," 1524; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

⁹"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

12"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. 13 This will give you an opportunity to testify. 14 So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; 15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. 16 You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. 17 You will be hated by all because of my name. 18 But not a hair of your head will perish. 19 By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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**)

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, Michael 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, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Natalie Massey, Patt Parker, Phyllis Massey, 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;

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.

Please remain standing 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

A New Song

by Craig Courtney

Sing a new song, sing a new song.

Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord a new song.

For the word of the Lord is right and true and His work is done in faithfulness.

The Lord loves righteousness and justice. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

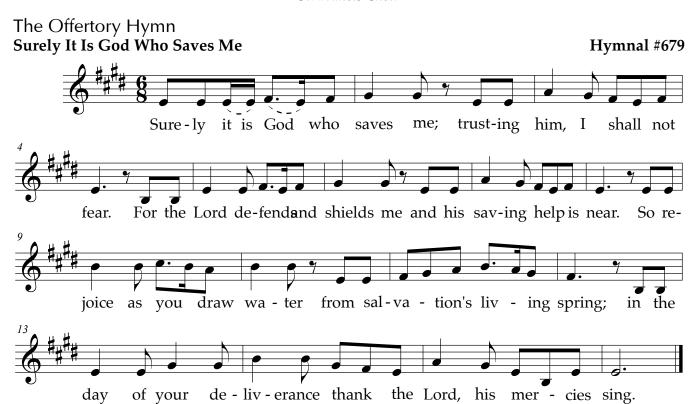
Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord a new song.

Our soul waits for the Lord, our help and our shield.

For our heart rejoices in Him because we trust in His holy name.

May your unfailing kindness be upon us, O Lord even as we put our hope in You. Amen.

St. Francis Choir



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Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant
People
Celebrant
People
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

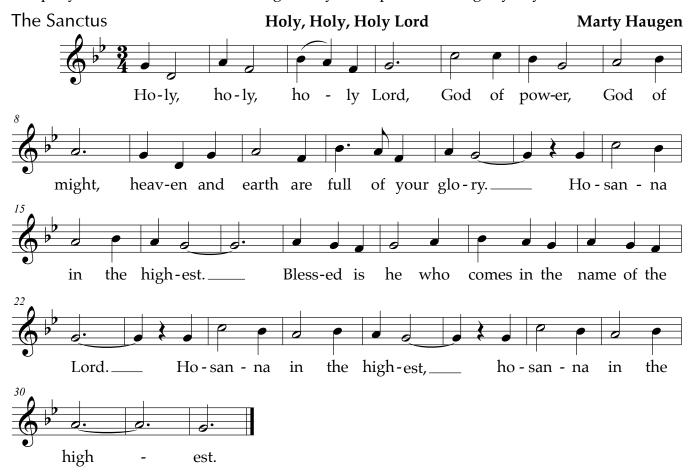
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:



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,

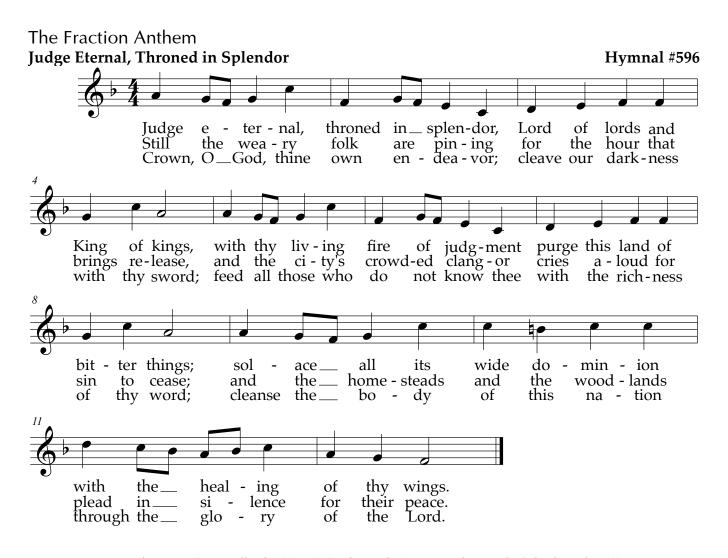
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the 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: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), alt. Music: "Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens," melody from "Neu-vermehrtes und zu Ubung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch," 1693.

The Invitation

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

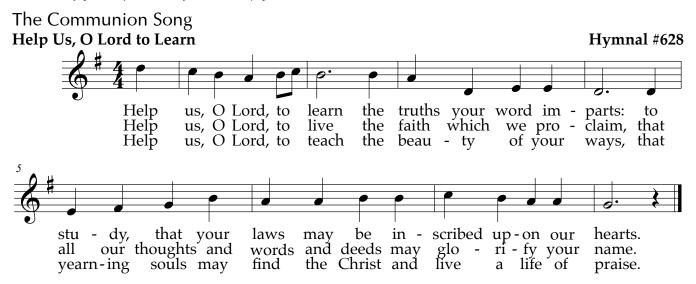
For our online community: an invitation to pray together the spiritual communion prayer from the National Cathedral. A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them 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.



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Special Offering

Fairest Lord Jesus, Silesian folk song

Gracie Feige, soprano

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.

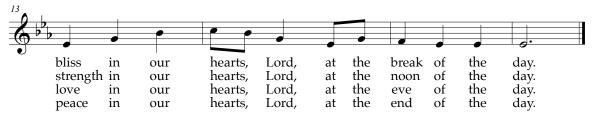
The Recessional Hymn

Lord of All Hopefulness

Hymnal #482







Words: Jan Struther (1901-1953). Music: "Slane," Irish ballad melody; adapt. "The Church Hymnody," 1927; harm. "Hymnal 1982."

The Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in G minor (BWV 558)

I.S. Bach

Teen Tuesdays STUDY SNACK CONNECT



Join us every Tuesday from 4:30–6:00 PM in the Parish Hall for a relaxed after-school hangout! Bring your homework—we'll provide pizza and snacks—and unwind with friends. We'll mix in a short devotional, plus time for games, music, and conversation.

Hosted by St. Francis and Wayfarers Chapel, all teens ages 13–18 are invited.

Bring your friends!

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Sunday, November 16 • 4:00 pm

The Welsh Choir of Southern California

Celebrate the Joy of Welsh Music

An afternoon of Welsh hymns and folk songs

Directed by Luvi Avendano

Free admission (Donations gratefully accepted.)

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Save the Date ...

St. Anne's Guild Annual Christmas Auction



riday, December 12, 6-9 pm

St. Francis Episcopal Church Palos Verdes Estates - Parish Hall

Refreshments ... Christmas items for sale ... Live auction.

Come to bid and buy Christmas Gifts & holiday baked goods.



St. Anne's distributes proceeds to charities.

Malaga Bank is collecting food donations October 20th through November 14th.

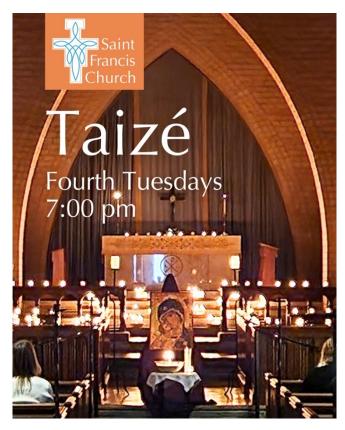
Donation Wish List

Canned Fruits & Veggies
Canned Meat (Chicken, Tuna, Spam etc)
Canned Ravioli/Pasta
Canned Soup
Chili (can)
Cup of Noodles & Ramen Noodles
Granola Bars / Breakfast Bars
Mac & Cheese Cups or boxes
Fruit cups, Apple Sauce
Juice pouches/boxes
Pasta and/or Pasta Sauce
Oatmeal/grits/cereal
Rice (1 lb bags)



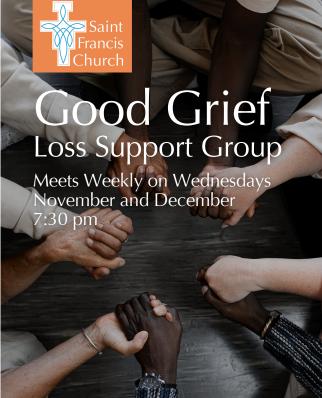












Prayers this Week

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, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Natalie Massey, Patt Parker, Phyllis Massey, 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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