

Christ the King

Sunday, November 23, 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, November 23 – 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)

Monday, November 24

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 25

- 4:30 pm Teen Tuesdays (Parish Hall)
- 7:00 pm Taizé Service of Healing and Wholeness

Wednesday, November 26

- 11:00 am Good Grief Group

Thursday, November 27

- Office Closed

Friday, November 28

- Office Closed

Sunday, November 30

- 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)
- 5:00 pm Blue Christmas Service

The Processional Hymn: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus Hymnal #460

Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as orph - ans are we left in sor - row now;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Heav - en, thou on earth our food, our stay!
 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;

Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how;
 Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day to day;
 Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
 In - ter - ces - sor friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,
 thou with - in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
 Hark! the songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;

Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: "Hyfrydol," Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

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 Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord.

²Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Response..... Canticle 16 (Book of Common Prayer p. 92)

The Epistle..... Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Holy Gospel Luke 23:33-43

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Sermon The Rev. Jason Shelby

The Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer p. 327

The Prayers of the People Book of Common Prayer p. 328

The Confession..... Book of Common Prayer p. 331

The Peace Book 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 Thanksgiving..... Book 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

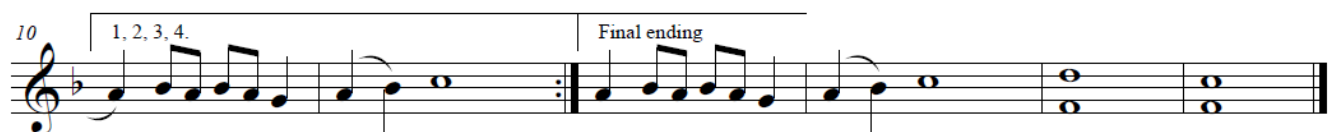
The Recessional Hymn: All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine Hymnal #477



All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine, _____ didst yield the glo - ry that of
Thou can'st to us in low - li - ness of thought; _____ by thee the out - cast and the
Let this mind be in us which was in thee, _____ who wast a ser - vant that we
Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou _____ art high ex - alt - ed o'er all
Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord _____ in heaven and earth that Je - sus



right was thine, _____ that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine. _____
poor were sought; _____ and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
might be free, _____ hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry. _____
crea - tures now, _____ and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. _____
Christ is Lord; _____ and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored. _____



10 1, 2, 3, 4. Final ending
— Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le lu - ia! A - men.
— Al - le - lu - ia!
— Al - le - lu - ia!
— Al - le - lu - ia!

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desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937); Descant © 1979, G. I. A. Publications, Inc..

The Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in C minor (BWV 847)

J.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!

St. Francis Episcopal
2200 Via Rosa
Palos Verdes Estates

Parish Hall
Tuesdays
4:30-6:00pm

For more information,
call the church office at
310-375-4617.



Save the Date ...

St. Anne's Guild Annual Christmas Auction

Friday, December 12, 6-9 pm

St. Francis Episcopal Church
2200 Via Rosa, Palos Verdes Estates
Parish Hall

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

It's an evening of fellowship with opportunities
to take home Christmas gifts and holiday baked goods.

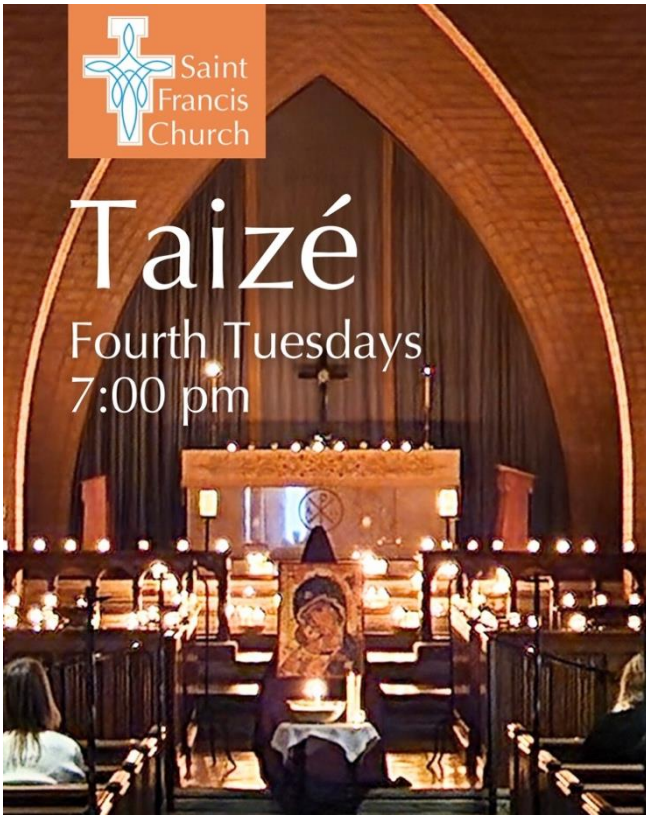


St Anne's Guild distributes proceeds to various charities.



Taizé

Fourth Tuesdays
7:00 pm



Blue Christmas Service

Sunday, Nov. 30
5:00 pm



Advent Sunday Breakfast

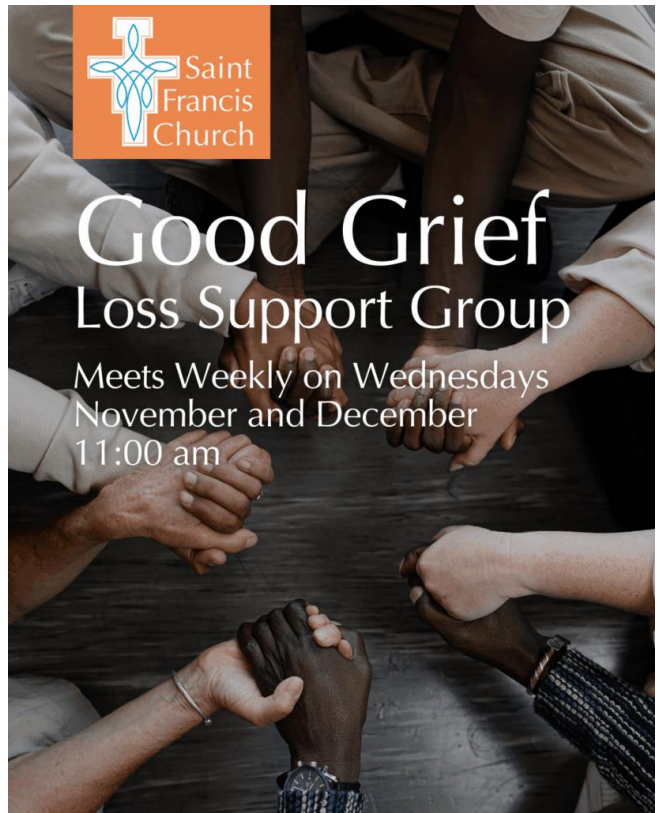
with Nativity Set craft

Sunday, Dec. 7
Following 10am worship



Good Grief Loss Support Group

Meets Weekly on Wednesdays
November and December
11:00 am



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, Susie Zimmerman, 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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