

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany:

Sunday, February 8, 2026 ❖ 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.

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Liz Cantine and in loving memory of her beloved parents, Amelia and Mitchell, and big brother, Art, and big sister, Diane.

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

This Week at St. Francis

Sunday, February 8

- 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, February 9

- 6:00 pm Friars Dinner
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 10

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

Wednesday, February 11

- 10:00 am Midweek Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 10:00 am Blue Bin Sorting
- 11:00 am Good Grief Meeting
- 6:00 pm Men's Corner (Corner Bakery)
- 7:00 pm Women's Lectionary Study (Library)

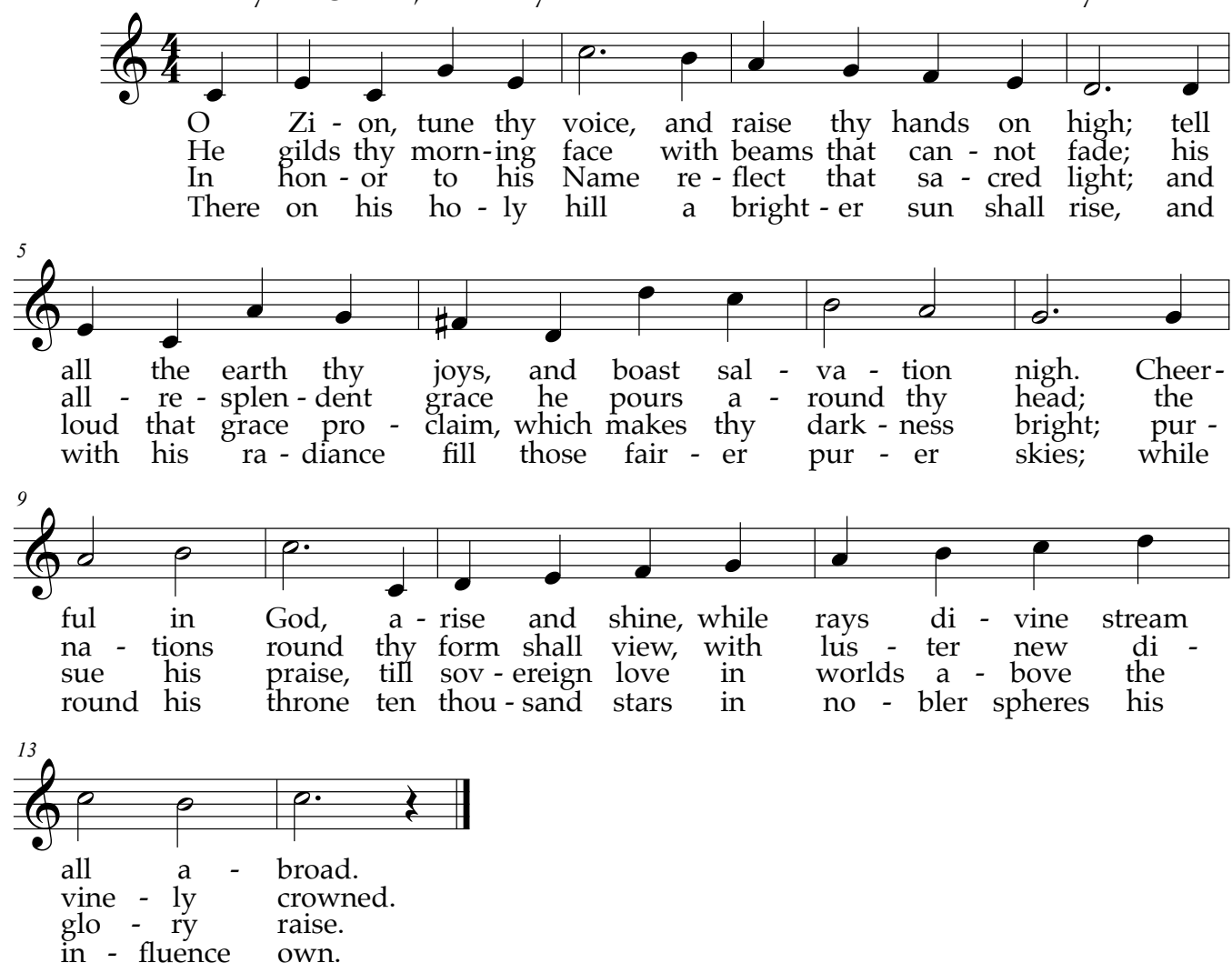
Thursday, February 12

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Sunday, February 15

- 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 Annual Antiques Show Meeting

The Prelude *Come Sunday ("Black, Brown and Beige")* *Edward "Duke" Ellington*
 The Processional Hymn: O Zion, Tune Thy Voice..... Hymnal #543



O Zi - on, tune thy voice, and raise thy hands on high; tell
 He gilds thy morn-ing face with beams that can - not fade; his
 In hon - or to his Name re - flect that sa - cred light; and
 There on his ho - ly hill a bright - er sun shall rise, and
 all the earth thy joys, and boast sal - va - tion nigh. Cheer -
 all - re - splen - dent grace he pours a - round thy head; the
 loud that grace pro - claim, which makes thy dark - ness bright; pur -
 with his ra - diance fill those fair - er pur - er skies; while
 ful in God, a - rise and shine, while rays di - vine stream
 na - tions round thy form shall view, with lus - ter new di -
 sue his praise, till sov - ereign love in worlds a - bove the
 round his throne ten thou - sand stars in no - bler spheres his
 all a - broad.
 vine - ly crowned.
 glo - ry raise.
 in - fluence own.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751); based on "The Third Song of Isaiah".

Music: "Darwall's 148th," melody and bass John Darwall (1731-1789);

harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

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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. 164

The First Lesson..... Isaiah 58:1-9a

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

²Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

^{9a}Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

The Response..... Psalm 112:1-10 (Book of Common Prayer p. 755)

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a

demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God’s wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him” —

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus said: ¹³“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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:

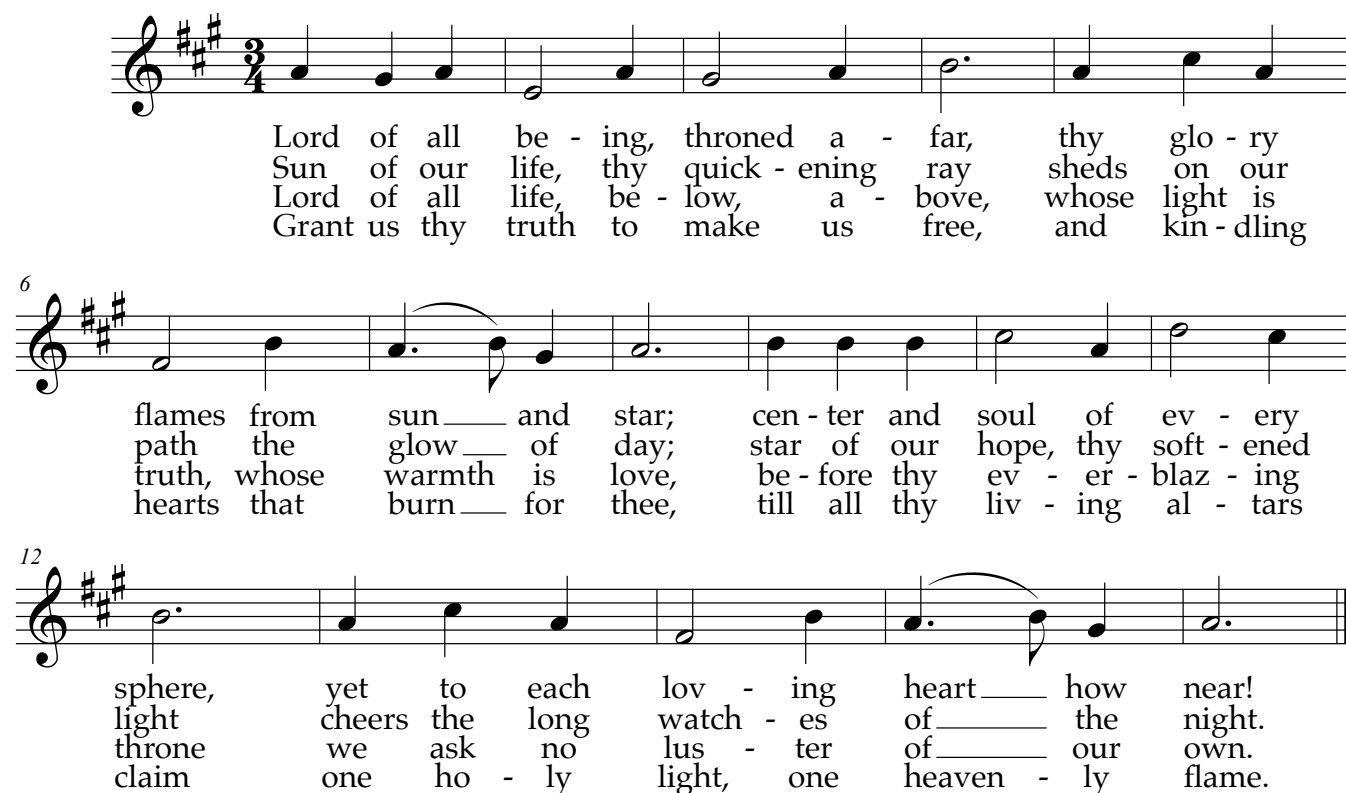
Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their 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: Lord of All Being, Throned Afar Hymnal #419



Lord of all be - ing, throned a - far, thy glo - ry
 Sun of our life, thy quick - ening ray sheds on our
 Lord of all life, be - low, a - bove, whose light is
 Grant us thy truth to make us free, and kin - dling

6
 flames from sun and star; cen - ter and soul of ev - ery
 path the glow of day; star of our hope, thy soft - ened
 truth, whose warmth is love, be - fore thy ev - er - blazing
 hearts that burn for thee, till all thy liv - ing al - tars

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 sphere, yet to each lov - ing heart how near!
 light cheers the long watch - es of the night.
 throne we ask no lus - ter of our own.
 claim one ho - ly light, one heaven - ly flame.

Words: Oliver Wendell Holmes (1809=1894). Music: "Mendon," from "Methodist Harmonist," 1821,
 adapt.and harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The Postlude

He Never Failed Me Yet

Robert Ray

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, Drew Deley, Jonathan Zimmerman, Joseph Leahy, Mark Kappelman, Michael Strong, Michael Valiquette, Scott Ruston, Steve, Thomas Dawson, and TJ Malzahn, 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, Bob Cook, Brad, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump, Ceri Falk, Chris, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Jerry Pinkston, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Marilyn & Dale Ghare, Miguel Diaz, Natalie Massey, Patt Parker, Phyllis Niski, Richard Cantine, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Susie Zimmerman, Tess Jones, Tommy, the people of the Middle East, and for victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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