

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 3, 2026 ❖ 8:00 am



*Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby*  
*Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump*

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*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 Libby in celebration of her mother, Bobbie Carpenter's, 90th birthday.*

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

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## This Week at St. Francis

### **Sunday, May 3**

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

### **Monday, May 4**

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### **Tuesday, May 5**

- 8:00 am Pickle Making
- 4:30 pm Teen Tuesday Youth Group (Outdoor)

### **Wednesday, May 6**

- 10:00 am Mid-week Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 6:00 pm Nurture Group Meeting
- 7:00 pm Women's Lectionary Study (Library)

### **Thursday, May 7**

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

### **Sunday, May 10 — Mother's Day / Youth Sunday**

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

The Processional Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name ..... Hymnal #366



Words: Para. of "Te Deum"; sts. 1-4, Ignaz Franz (1719-1790); tr. Clarence Walworth (1820-1900);  
 Music: "Grosser Gott," melody from "Katholisches Gesangbuch," 1686, alt. "Cantate," 1851;  
 harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after Conrad Kocher (1786-1872).

- 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: Fifth Sunday of Easter ..... Book of Common Prayer p. 173

The First Lesson..... Acts 7:55-60

<sup>55</sup>Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Response..... Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (Book of Common Prayer p. 622)

The Epistle ..... 1 Peter 2:2-10

<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

<sup>4</sup>Come <sup>5</sup>to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in

scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

<sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,”

<sup>8</sup>and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

The Holy Gospel .....John 14:1-14

Jesus told his disciples, <sup>1</sup>“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation ..... Hymnal #518



Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
All that de - di - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
Here vouch - safe to all thy ser - vants what they ask \_\_\_ of

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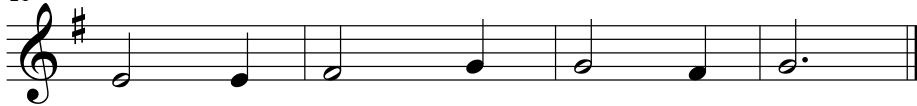
cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious, bind - ing  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion pours per -  
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness hear thy  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er with the

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all \_\_\_ the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's help for ev - er,  
pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in Three a - dor - ing  
serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion  
bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter in thy glo - ry

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and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
shed with - in its walls al - way.  
ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Text: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: "Westminster Abbey," Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt.; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929);

Descant by permission of Church Society, London.

The Postlude

Spring March

Flor Peeters

# Announcements

## **Need a Ride to St. Francis? We Can Help!**

We know that getting to church events isn't always easy—but we'd love to help make it possible. If you need a ride to worship or another St. Francis activity, call the church office ahead of time, and we'll do our best to connect you with someone nearby who can help.

And if you're able to offer a ride to others, we'd love to hear from you! Please leave your name with Gina in the church office.

Together, we can help everyone stay connected and involved in the life of our parish.

## **Antique Show Gala Silent Auction – We're Collecting Treasures!**

Do you have a special something that could steal the spotlight at our Gala Silent Auction? We're on the hunt for silent auction donations to help make our event on Wednesday, May 27, a sparkling success!

Think crowd-pleasers like:

- Handmade jewelry or craft items
- Themed dinners, wine tastings, gardens tours or other fun social experiences - always our TOP SELLERS!!!
- Sports or theater tickets
- Beautiful home décor or luxury items
- Specialty services - handyman, sports or music lessons
- Gift cards for restaurants, entertainment or retail
- ...or any unique treasure guests would love to bid on!

If you'd like to contribute, please contact Mary Deley at [mary\\_deley@yahoo.com](mailto:mary_deley@yahoo.com). Items may be dropped off at the church office, or we're happy to arrange a pickup that works for you. Tax-deductible donation statements are available upon request.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Antique Show — we truly couldn't do it without you!

## **Stay in-the-know!**

Subscribe to our weekly email newsletter, *Bellringer Weekly*, and receive all the news and events in your inbox each week! *Bellringer Weekly* goes out on Thursday evenings (usually). Subscribe today at [stfrancispalosverdes.org/subscribe](http://stfrancispalosverdes.org/subscribe)

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FEATURING FINE ANTIQUES & VINTAGE & DECORATIVE ARTS**



**THURSDAY & FRIDAY  
MAY 28 & MAY 29, 2026  
11 A.M. TO 6 P.M.**

**SATURDAY  
MAY 30, 2026  
11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.**

**ANTIQUES BOOTHS  
HARVEST CUPBOARD  
GARDEN GAZEBO  
PATIO LUNCHEON  
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**PRESENT THIS FLYER FOR \$2 OFF SHOW ADMISSION (1 COPY FOR 2 PEOPLE)**

**DONATION \$10 (CASH, CHECK OR ZELLE ONLY)**

**OPENING NIGHT - WEDNESDAY, MAY 27 - 6 TO 9 P.M.**

**PRESALE \$50 DONATION AT-THE-DOOR \$75 DONATION**

**ANTIQUES SHOW & SALE PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE MISSION & OUTREACH OF ST. FRANCIS CHURCH.**



## 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 Kappelmann, Michael Strong, Michael Valiquette, 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: Amy Clute, Andrea, Anne Sharp, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Bob Cook, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump, Chris and Erica, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Frances Rosenthal, Heather, Irena Dybeic, Jerry Pinkston, John Jenkins, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Marilyn and Dale Ghery, Mary Sharp, Miguel Diaz, Patt Parker, Phyllis Niski, Rex Claytor, Rob Ramsay, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Sofia, Susan Crouse, 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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