

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 5, 2026 ♦ 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.

This Week at St. Francis

Sunday, July 5

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

Monday, July 6

- 9:00 am Youth Art Camp

Tuesday, July 7

- 9:00 am Youth Art Camp

Wednesday, July 8

- 9:00 am Youth Art Camp
- 10:00 am Healing Service
- 11:00 am Good Grief Group Meeting
- 6:00 pm Men's Corner (Corner Bakery)

Thursday, July 9

- 9:00 am Youth Art Camp
- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, July 10

- 9:00 am Youth Art Camp

Sunday, July 12

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

The Word of God

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Processional Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hymnal #657

Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er; let us all thy life re - ceive.
Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be.

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.
Let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee.

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, 'til in heav'n we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
'til we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: "Hyfrydol," Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: ✙ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Gloria

Hymnal #S280

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al -
might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our
prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most
High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting by Robert Powell, S-280 The Hymnal 1982

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor:
Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart,
and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-12

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Zechariah.

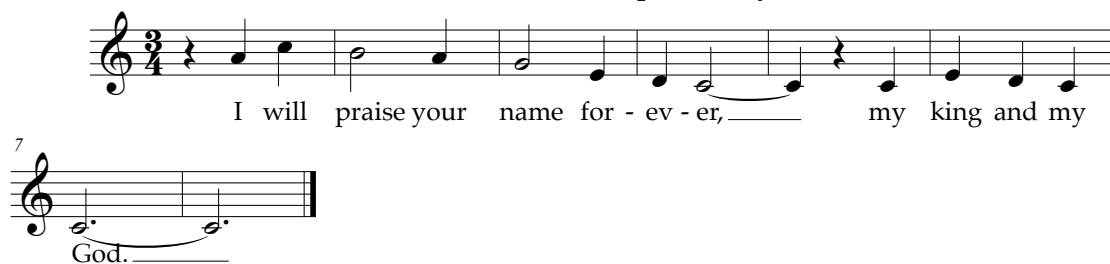
- ⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response: Psalm 145:8-15

Reader Let us read from Psalm 145 responsively.



Words: Psalm 145, v. 1; English translation of the Psalm Responses from the "Lectionary for Mass"
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- ⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
⁹The LORD is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.
¹⁰All your works praise you, O LORD, *
and your faithful servants bless you.
¹¹They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;Refrain
¹²That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.

¹⁴The LORD is faithful in all his words *

and merciful in all his deeds.

¹⁵The LORD upholds all those who fall; *

he lifts up those who are bowed down.....Refrain

The Second Lesson: Romans 7:15-25a

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

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Hymnal #692

I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and
 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly
 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's

rest; and in your wea - ri - ness lay down your head up - on my
 give the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and
 light; look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be

breast." I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad; I
 live." I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my
 bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place and he has made me glad.
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 in that light of life I'll walk till pil - grim days are done.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808). Music: James Montgomery (1771-1854). Music: "Kingsfold,"
 English folk melody, adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958);
 Words & Music by Permission of Oxford University Press.

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, ¹⁶"To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
 we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the

Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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: Form V (the People read the responses in **bold**)

Deacon Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

All **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

All **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

All **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;

All **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

All **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Deacon Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
All **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon Give to the departed eternal rest;
All **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
All **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

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 Offertory Anthem

Amazing Grace (New Britain) by John Newton

St. Francis Choir & Susan Tsuji, tenor

*Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!*

*The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.*

*When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise that when we'd first begun.*

The Offertory Hymn

The Lord My God My Shepherd Is

Hymnal #663

The musical notation is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a time signature of 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The hymn concludes with a double bar line after the final measure.

The Lord my God my shep-herd is; how could I want or
Thou hast in— grace my ta - ble spread se - cure— in all a -

7
need? In pas - tures green, by streams se - rene, he safe - ly doth me
larms, and filled my cup, and borne— me up in ev - er - last - ing

14
lead.
arms.

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984); para. of Psalm 23. Music: "Crimond,"
melody Jesse Seymour Irvine (1836-1887); harm. "Hymnal 1982."

Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **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:

The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord

Marty Haugen

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of

8
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na

15
in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the

22
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the

30
high - est.

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,

All **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

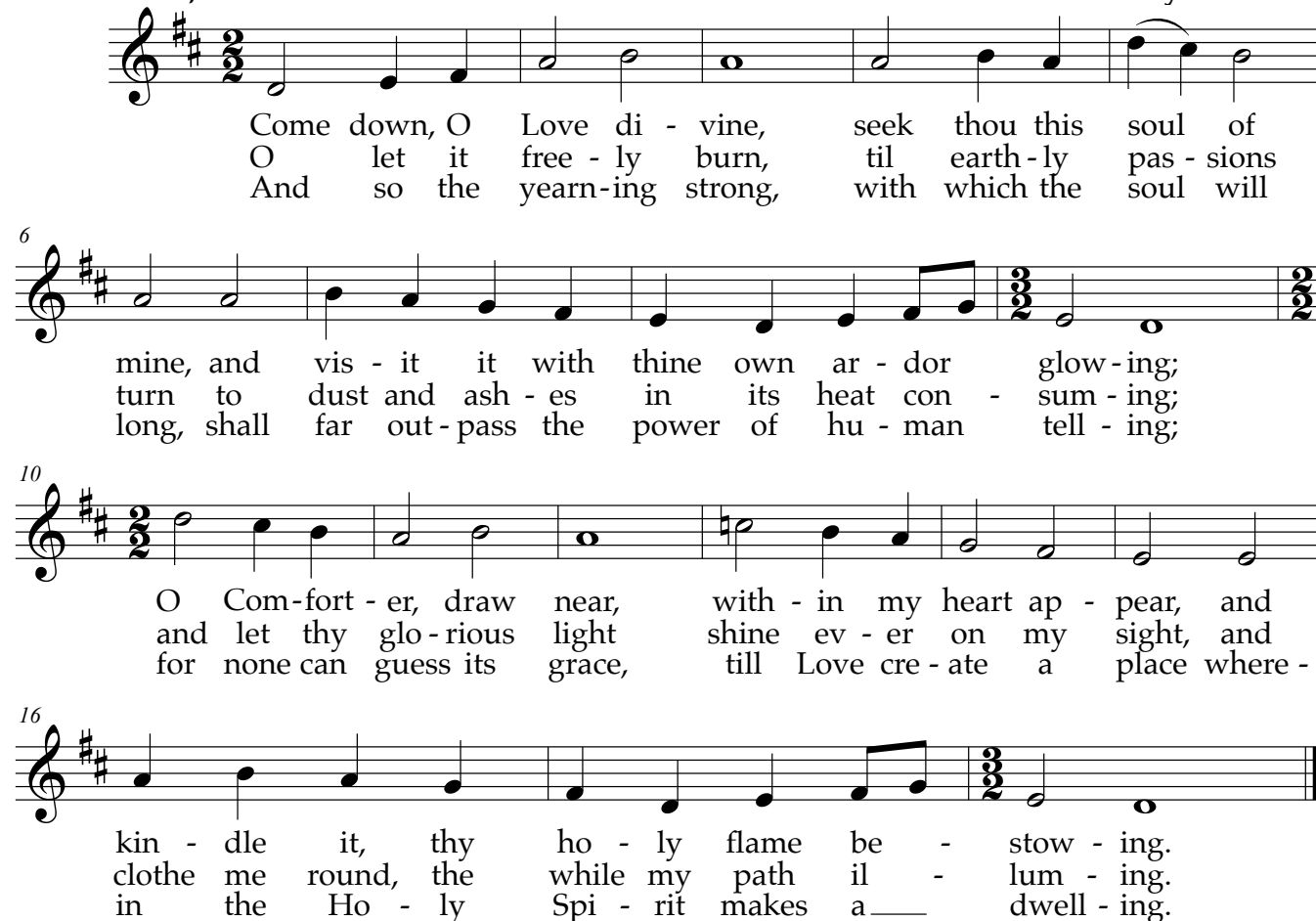
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Fraction Anthem

Come Down, O Love Divine

Hymnal #516



Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of
O let it free - ly burn, til earth - ly pas - sions
And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will

mine, and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
turn to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
long, shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear, and
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight, and
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place where -

kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frededrick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.

Music: "Down Ampney," Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); By permission of Oxford University Press.

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.

The Communion Song

Just as I Am without One Plea

Hymnal #693



Just as I am, — with — out — one plea, but
 Just as I am, — though tossed — a — bout with
 Just as I am, — poor, wretch — ed, blind; sight,
 Just as I am, — thou wilt — re — ceive, wilt
 Just as I am, — thy love — un — known has
 Just as I am, — of thy — great love the



that — thy blood was shed for me, and that thou
 ma — ny'a con — flict, ma — ny'a doubt; fight — ings and
 rich — es, heal — ing of the mind, yea, all I
 wel — come, par — don, cleanse, re — lieve, be — cause thy
 bro — ken ev — 'ry bar — rier down; now to be
 breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, here for a



bidd'st me come to thee, — O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 fears — with — in, with — out, — O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 need, in thee to find, — O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 prom — ise I be — lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 thine, yea, thine a — lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 sea — son, then a — bove: O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871). Music: "Woodworth," William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868).

Please kneel or stand as able.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. 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

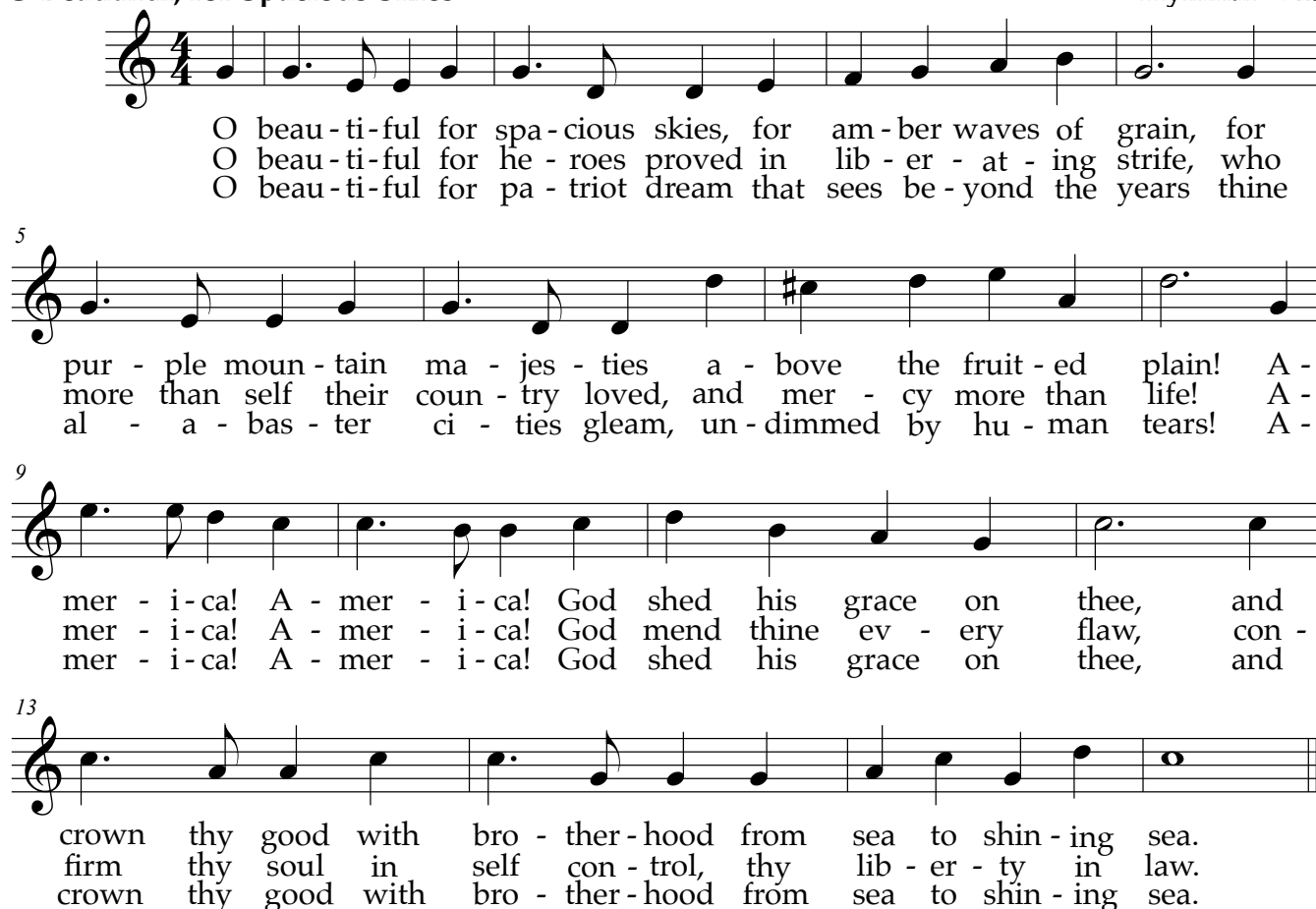
Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Recessional Hymn
O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies

Hymnal #719



O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain, for
O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife, who
O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years thine

5
pur-ple moun-tain ma-jes-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain! A-
more than self their coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life! A-
al-a-bas-ter ci-ties gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears! A-

9
mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee, and
mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God mend thine ev-ery flaw, con-
mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee, and

13
crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.
firm thy soul in self con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law.
crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.

Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: "Materna," Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903).

The Postlude

*God Bless America/
Battle Hymn of the Republic/
Stars and Stripes Forever*

arr. for organ - David Knight

Announcements

Welcome Home, Bishop Jennifer Reddall!

We are delighted to welcome The Rt. Rev. Jennifer A. Reddall, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, back to St. Francis on **Sunday, July 12**.

Bishop Reddall and her family were parishioners at St. Francis during the 1980s. She was ordained as a priest by the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles in 2003, and ordained as the first woman bishop of Arizona in 2019.

We are honored to welcome her home to preach at both our **8:00 AM and 10:00 AM** worship services, and look forward to hearing her share God's Word and celebrating this special homecoming with our parish family.

Please join us in giving Bishop Jennifer a warm St. Francis welcome!

Meet St. Zita!

St Francis has initiated a new ministry for the stewardship of our internal spaces, and we have named it St Zita's. Our Buildings and Grounds Committee beautifully maintains the infrastructure and gardens of our campus. St Zita's will focus on how our ministries are using the spaces inside our buildings. Most of us know what happens when we occupy a space for many years. The corners become full of things we have forgotten we are keeping, and those projects to use or remove items get delayed, and the items seem to multiply. It is no different with our Parish buildings, some of which we have lived in for 70 years!

St Zita is the patron Saint of maids, housekeepers and the finder of lost keys. She started her service at the age of 12 in Lucca, Italy. She got up early every day to attend mass before beginning her work, and was an exceptional house manager. She was devoted to serving the poor and the needy, often giving her own food and her Master's table scraps to those who were hungry. In her Master's will, he decreed that after his death Zita should continue to manage his household. Naturally the other servants were jealous, and reported Zita's care for the needy to their Master, accusing Zita of stealing. When the Master demanded Zita open the cupboards to show him the inventory, miraculously the cupboards were overflowing!

Why St Zita?

1. Devotion to her faith
2. Outstanding stewardship of her Master's house
3. Outreach, caring for the poor and needy above all else
4. Miracle of abundance!

We started doing work around the campus over a year ago. Hopefully, you have noticed some improvement in the Narthex, Library, Kitchen or Board Room. Taking care of these spaces is a continual effort. We look forward to sharing more as our work continues. If you have an interest in what accumulates in a church's closets after 70 years, or have other questions for St Zita's, please contact Shelly Zak (moglezak@gmail.com)

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SUMMER ART CAMP

at St. Francis!

July 6-10

9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Open to children ages 5-12

\$150 per camper

\$120 Early Registration, before June 1

Space is limited to 20 campers

**For more information or to register,
visit the church office or call 310-375-4617.**

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CAMP PENDLETON AND FORT MACARTHUR COLLECTION

Saturday, July 11, 2026

9:00am-12:00pm

SUPPORT OUR MILITARY FAMILIES

Camp Pendleton is home to over 70,000 Marines and 10,000 children under 5. More than 160 babies are born there each month. Most families arrive with only what fits in their car and often lack essentials for newborns and small children, plus furnishings for their housing. The Rotary Clubs of District 5280 are collecting new and gently used items for these families to select from at Camp Pendleton's "Warrior Warehouse" and Fort MacArthur's "Airman's Attic", which is filled with donated items that are free for local military families.

ITEMS NEEDED

- Diapers
- Baby & children's clothes
- Toys, books, bathtubs, strollers, cribs
- Dishes, cookware, meal prep tools
- Bedding
- Gift cards (\$25) to Target/Walmart

DROP OFF


Hawthorne High School
 4859 El Segundo Blvd.
 Hawthorne, CA 90250

For More Information:

David Henseler
 Rotary Club of South Bay Sunrise
 310-753-0929

Bring items by Thursday, July 9, 2026, to the church office or Susie's house (call for address).

Items will be loaded to drop off at Hawthorne High School on July 11. Meet at St. Francis at 8:15 AM to load. Leave at 8:45 AM.

St. Francis Contact:

Susie Zimmerman

susiezimmerman@gmail.com

or leave text: (310) 316-5941

If you can help drop off items on July 11, please contact Susie.

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, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Frances Rosenthal, Irena Dybeic, Jeff, Jerry Pinkston, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, KT Martyniak, 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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