

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 16, 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, August 16

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

Tuesday, August 18

- 6:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting
- 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, August 19

- 10:00 am Healing Service
- 11:00 am Good Grief Group Meeting

Thursday, August 20

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

Friday, August 21

- 8:00 am Annual Rummage Sale (Parish Hall)

Saturday, August 22

- 8:00 am Annual Rummage Sale (Parish Hall)

Sunday, August 23

- 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

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Hymnal #470

There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
 For the love of God is broad - er than the meas - ure of the mind;

there's a kind - ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion, in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: "Beecher," 1870, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

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

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.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant—

⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

⁸Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response: Psalm 67

Reader Let us read from Psalm 67 responsively.



Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: "Nettleton," from "A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II" 1813;
harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934).

¹May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

²Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
**for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.Refrain**

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

⁷May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.Refrain

The Second Lesson: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

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

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Reader The Word of the Lord

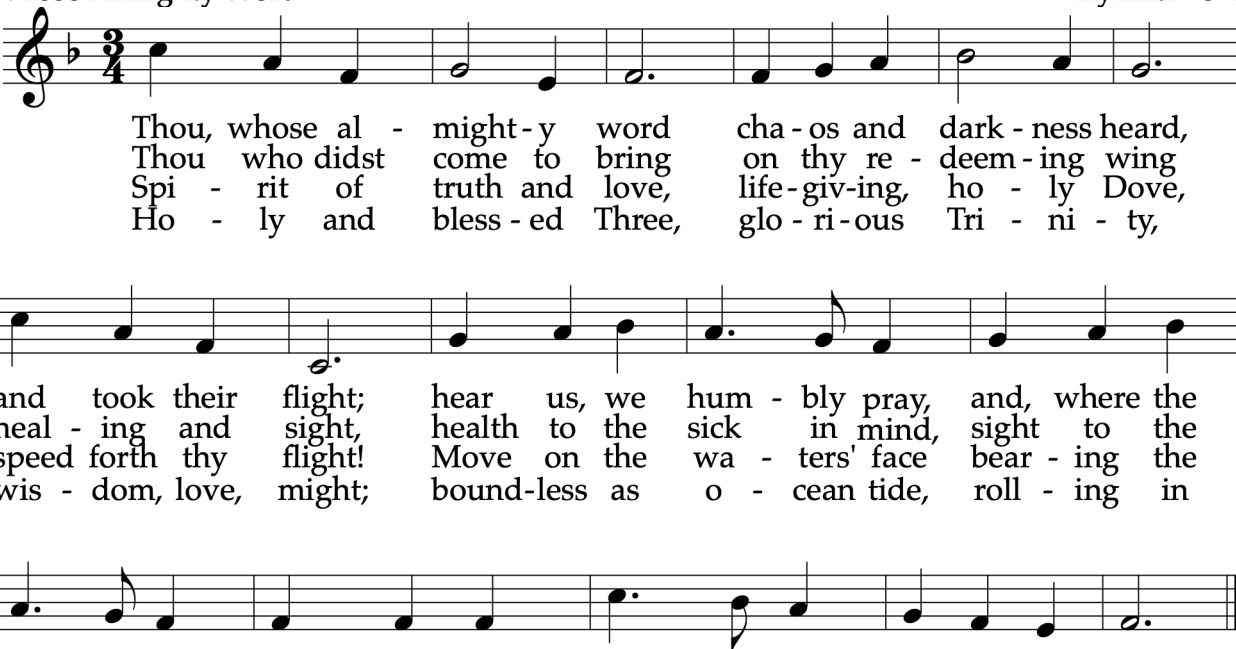
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

Thou, Whose Almighty Word

Hymnal #371



Thou, whose al - might-y word cha - os and dark - ness heard,
Thou who didst come to bring on thy re - deem - ing wing
Spi - rit of truth and love, life-giv-ing, ho - ly Dove,
Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, glo - ri - ous Tri - ni - ty,

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and took their flight; hear us, we hum - bly pray, and, where the
heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the
speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face bear - ing the
wis - dom, love, might; bound-less as o - cean tide, roll - ing in

12
Gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light!
in - ly blind, now to all hu - man-kind, let there be light!
gifts of grace, and, in earth's dark - est place, let there be light!
full - est pride, through the world, far and wide, let there be light!

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt. Music: "Moscow," Felice de Giardini (1716-1796);
harm. "The New Hymnal," 1916, based on "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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.

Musical Offering

"Offertoire pour le Jour de Paques" by Jean-Francois Dandrieu

Yun Lee

The Offertory Hymn

From All that Dwell Below the Skies

Hymnal #380

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the first six measures of the hymn, and the second staff contains the remaining six measures, starting with a measure rest. The lyrics are written below the notes.

From all that dwell be - low the skies let the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let
Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him all crea - tures here be - low; praise

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the Re - deem - er's Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly hosts; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711).
Music: "Old 100th," melody from "Pseaumes octante trois de David," 1551, alt.;
harm. after Louis Bougeois (1510?-1561?).

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

Spirit of the Living God

LEVAS II #115

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me;

5 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

9 Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

13 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

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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

Heal Me, Hands of Jesus

WLP #773



Heal — me, hands of Je-sus, — and search out all my pain: re -
 Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, — take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
 Know — me, mind of Je-sus, — and show me all my sin; dis -
 Fill — me, joy of Je-sus: — anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

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store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
 me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.
 pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
 heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

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Music: "Sharpe," Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from "Tunes for Grace," © 1997 Carl Haywood.

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

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

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Hymnal #544

Je - sus shall reign where - e're the sun
 To Bless him shall end less - prayer be made,
 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and reigns: bring

doth his suc - ces - sive to jour neys run;
 and the prais - es thron - to crown his head;
 pe - cu - liar hon - ors lose to their chains,
 King;

his king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
 his Name like sweet per - fume shall rise,
 the wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest,
 an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,

'til moons shall wax and wane no more.
 with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 and all who suf - fer the want are - blest.
 and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: "Duke Street," John Hatton (d. 1793).

The Postlude

Music for the Royal Fireworks

G. F. Handel

Announcements

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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, 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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