

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 16, 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.

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 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;

5
 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.
 5 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

9
 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;
 9 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

13
 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.
 13 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 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 Gloria Book of Common Prayer p. 324
 The Collect of the Day: Proper 15 Book of Common Prayer p. 180

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

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.

The Response Psalm 67 (Book of Common Prayer p. 675)

The Epistle Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

¹I 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.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

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.

The Sermon.....The Rev. Jason Shelby

The Nicene CreedBook of Common Prayer p. 327

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

The ConfessionBook of Common Prayer p. 331

The PeaceBook 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 ThanksgivingBook 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: Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun..... Hymnal #544

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

doth and his prais - es suc - ces - sive to jour - neys run;
the pe - cu - liar hon - to crown lose his head;
5 his king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
his Name like sweet per - fume shall rise,
the wea - ry de - find e - ter - nal rest,
an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,
9 'til moons shall wax and wane no more.
with ev - every morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
and all who re - peat - ing fer want - are - blest.
and earth re - peat the loud a - men.
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Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: "Duke Street," John Hatton (d. 1793).

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 Ghare, 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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