24th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 8, 2026 ❖ 8:00 am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby
Deacon: The Rev. Deacon Celeste Stump

Saint Francis Church

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 for the Altar: 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, November 8
- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:30 am Altar Guild Meeting (Board Room)

Monday, November 9
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 11 – Veterans Day
- *Church office closed today*
- 10:00 am Service of Healing and Reconciliation (Chapel)
- 11:00 am Good Grief Group Meeting
- 6:00 pm Men's Corner (Corner Bakery)

Thursday, November 12
- 7:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group

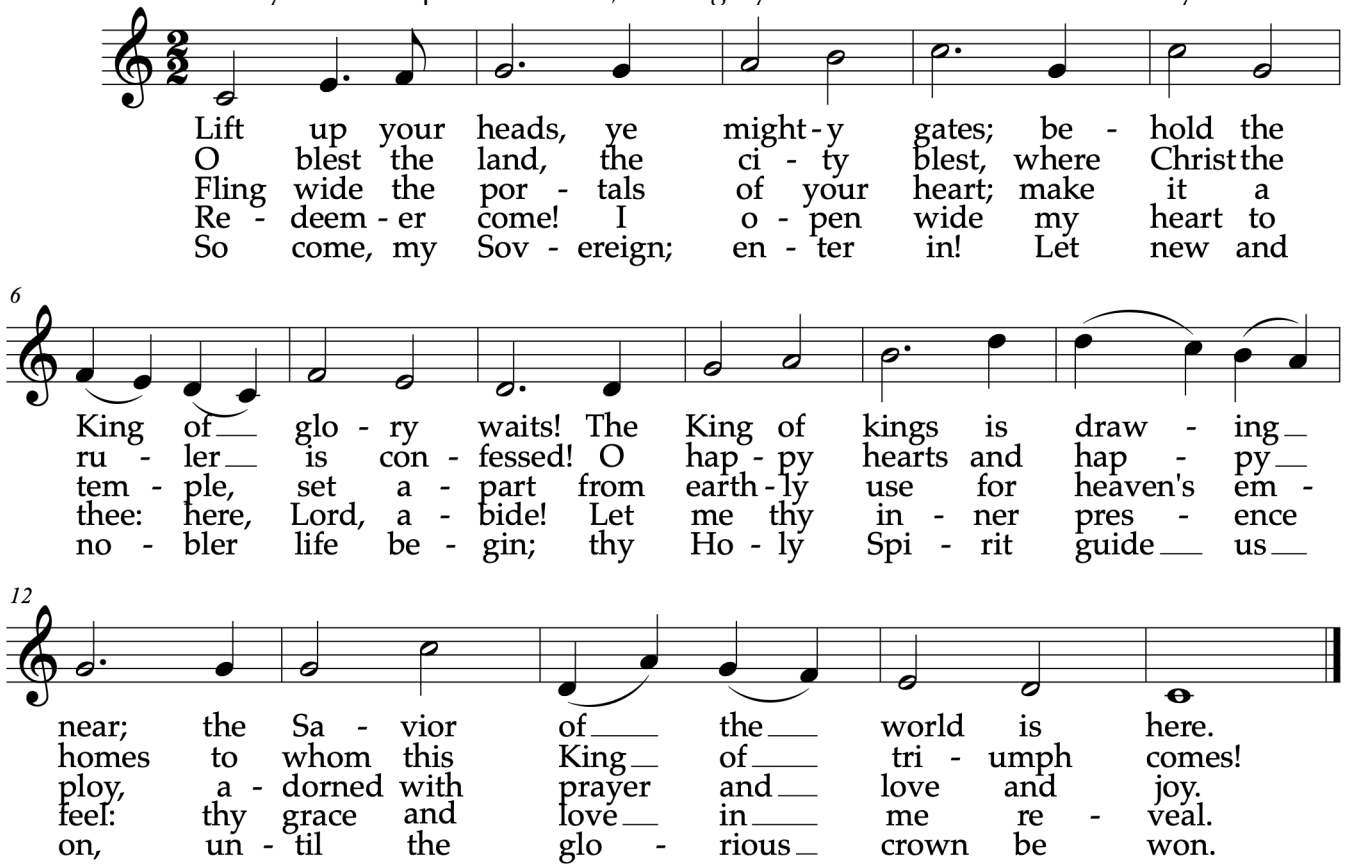
Friday, November 13
- *Diocesan Convention (Riverside, CA)*
- 3:30 pm Peninsula High School Orchestra

Saturday, November 14
- *Diocesan Convention (Riverside, CA)*
- 1:00 pm Dr. David Cannon Memorial Service

Sunday, November 15
- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:30 am Episcopal Church Women Meeting (Board Room)

Prelude *I Call to You, Lord Jesus Christ* *J.S. Bach*

The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates ..... Hymnal #436



Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878). Music: "Truro," melody from "Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II," 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), 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

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

The First Lesson.....Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16

12 Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
13 She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
14 One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,

for she will be found sitting at the gate.
15To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
16because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

The Response ..... Psalm 70 (Book of Common Prayer p. 682)

The Epistle ..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. 16For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. 18Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Holy Gospel ..... Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, 1"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; 4but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. 6But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. 8The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. 11Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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.

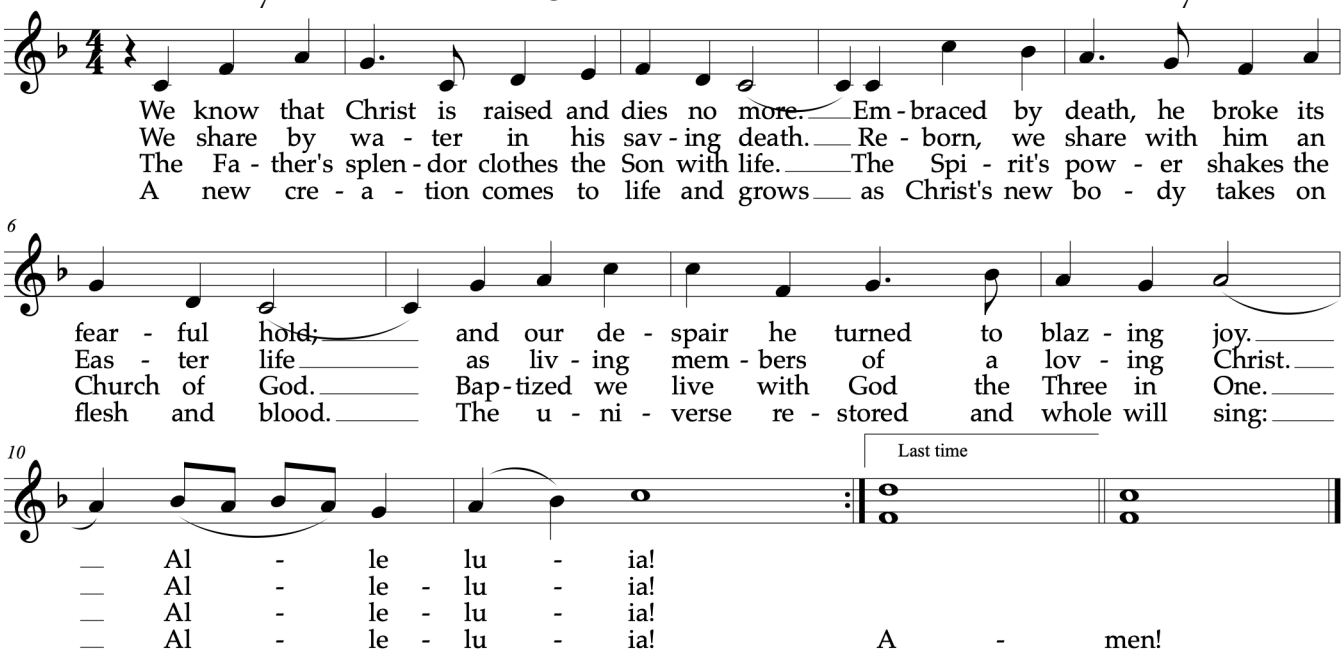
The Great Thanksgiving ..... Book of Common Prayer p. 333
The Post-Communion Prayer ..... Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. 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 and Sending Forth.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Recessional Hymn: We Know that Christ Is Raised and Dies No More ..... Hymnal #296



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Music "Engelberg," by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

The Postlude *St. Thomas* *Williams/Burdett*

Announcements

Altered Guild Meeting
Sunday, November 8 at 11:30 am

The Altered Guild will meet in the St. Francis Board Room at 11:30 am on Sunday, November 8. All members are asked to attend.

Share the Joy of Christmas with a Family in Need
Sign up to ECS Family-to-Family by November 13

Episcopal Community Services of California's Family-to-Family for the Holidays program brings Christmas cheer to San Diego families. Last year, 86 sponsoring families helped provide gifts for 383 neighbors!

You can make a difference this season:

Sign up by November 13 and get matched with a family based on your giving preferences. You'll receive your match in mid-November.

Shop for your family. Provide each family member with at least one new gift valued at $30–$50. Your gifts may be their only presents this holiday season.

Deliver gifts December 1–9 to the ECS Family Engagement Center or directly to your matched family.

Invite friends, family, coworkers, and neighbors to join you! Please include batteries with battery-operated gifts, and consider donating extra gift bags, wrapping paper, and tape.

Sign up today and help make the holidays brighter:

https://www.ecscalifornia.org/family-to-family-2026

Carol Lin at {pages} bookstore
Thursday, November 19 at 6:00 pm

{pages} is pleased to host **Carol Lin**, celebrating her new book, *When News Breaks: A Memoir of Love and War* on **Thursday, November 19th at 6:00 pm.** Carol will be in conversation with Sandra Endo. Carol Lin is best known for being the first national anchor to report the first 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center. Carol was a long-time anchor and correspondent for CNN and ABC News. During her career, she covered the war in the Middle East, the aftermath of the Kosovo War, the 2002 Winter Olympics, and every imaginable natural disaster from hurricanes, tornadoes, historic wildfires, and floods. This is a free event but we hope you will consider supporting the author and {pages} by purchasing a copy of the book.

Online Giving
To make a one-time donation to St. Francis,
scan this QR code or visit https://bit.ly/STFGIVING1

2026 St. Anne's Guild
Christmas Auction

Friday, December 11, 6-9 pm

St. Francis Episcopal Church
Parish Hall
2200 Via Rosa, Palos Verdes Estates

Refreshments

Christmas Items for Sale

Live Auction



It's an evening of fellowship with opportuniies to take home Christmas gifts and holiday baked goods.

Proceeds donated to various charities.

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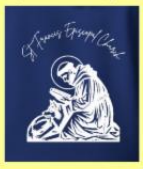
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Prayers this Week

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, Angel Lara Gonzalez, Anne Sharp, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Bob, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump and her family, Chris, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Irena Dybeic, Jeff, Jerry Pinkston, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, KT Martyniak, Liz, Marilyn and Dale Ghere, Mary Sharp, Miguel Diaz, Patt Parker, Phyllis Niski, Rex Claytor, Rob Ramsay, Robert, 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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