

# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 24, 2017, 10:00 am



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

Consider making a donation of altar flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of someone you love.

The suggested donation is \$40. To arrange, please contact Mary in the Church Office:

310-375-4617 or [mary.sanchez@stfrancispalosverdes.org](mailto:mary.sanchez@stfrancispalosverdes.org).

## The Word of God

*Prelude*

*Jesus Loves Me*

*Arr. Lloyd Larson*

*We hope you enjoy our piano-led worship while our beautiful church organ undergoes restoration and repair.*

*Please STAND as able, and join in singing,*

The Processional Hymn

**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

**Hymnal #410**

The Opening Acclamation

† Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship, and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 for the readings.*

The First Lesson Jonah 3:10-4:11

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die."

Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

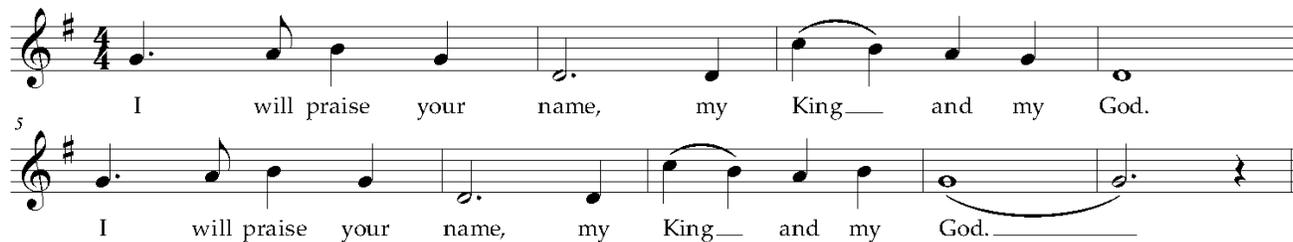
**Celebrant:** The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

**Deacon/Preacher:** The Rev. Peter Huang

Please remain seated, and join in singing,  
The Response

Psalm 145

David Haas



I will praise your name, my King and my God.

I will praise your name, my King and my God.

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*I will give you glory my God and King, and I will bless your name forever. Every day I will bless and praise your name forever.*

*The Lord is full of grace and mercy, he is kind and slow to anger. He is good in all his works and full of compassion.*

*Let all your works give you thanks, O Lord, and let all the faithful bless you.*

*Let them speak of your might, O Lord, the glory of your kingdom.*

*The Lord is faithful in all his words, and always near, his name is holy. He lifts up all those who fall, he raises up the lowly.*

The Second Lesson Philippians 1:21-30

2nd Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND, as able, and join in singing,

The Gospel Procession

"Step by Step"

Beaker



O God, you are my God, and I will ev-er praise you. O God, you are my God, and

I will ev-er praise you. I will seek you in thorn - ing, I will learn to walk in your

ways, and step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol-low you all of my days.

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The Holy Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please repeat singing "Step by Step", as the Gospel Procession returns.*

*Please remain seated for*

† The Sermon

*There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.*

*Please STAND as able, and join in saying,*

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.**

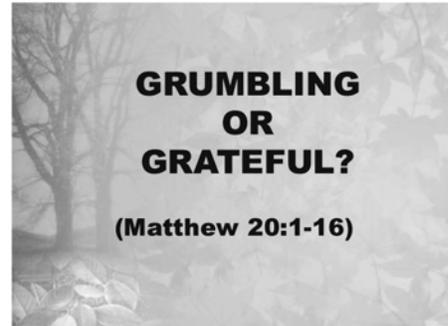
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.**



The Rev. Peter Huang

## The Prayers of the People

*The People join in reading the words in bold.*

We thank you, God, for your abiding guidance and presence. You continually invite us to become our best selves and, in Jesus, model for us the way of love. We offer these prayers in faith and in hope on behalf of ourselves and all with whom we share life in this time and place.

For God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael; for our Bishops Jon, John and Diane, for all our ministers, and for us gathered as your church family. Let us be available to your Spirit.

**Lord, make us wise and faithful.**

For peace; for goodwill among nations; for the well-being of all people, and for boldness in confronting injustice of any kind. Let us respect the dignity of every human being.

**Lord, make us compassionate and loving.**

For all who serve in our civil services, especially first responders, and in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Kelly Hall, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve. Let us pray for a safe and peaceful world.

**Lord, make us strong to help and serve.**

For the unemployed and underemployed; for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, the oppressed, those in prison or afraid; for those facing challenges of any kind, especially: Andrea, Lynne, Howard Dale, Ceri Falk, Dato Family (Kelly Lynch's sister), Rob and Pam Fitting, Mama Hill, Elizabeth Hodgson, Gail Joerger, Chong-Kyun Kim, Joni McIntyre, Marjorie Morris, Munoz Family, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith, Chris Snapp, Hayward and Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*. Let us pray for healing of any kind.

**Lord, make us whole and holy.**

For all those killed or injured from terrorism, violence of any kind, from natural disasters and for those who grieve for them. Let us pray for the safety of life.

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace and comfort.**

For those we love but see no longer, for all those who have died, especially all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*. Let us pray in God's comfort and grace.

**Lord, help us live for you all the days of our lives.**

For all who anticipate birthdays, anniversaries and joyful events *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud)*. Let us pray that we remember moments of blessing.

**Lord, make us grateful for all we have.**

Let us pray together:

**Watch over your children, O God, as our days increase; bless and guide us wherever we may be. Strengthen us when we stand; comfort us when discouraged or sorrowful; raise us up if we fall; and in our hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide in us all the days of our lives. Amen.**

*Collect no. 51 from the Book of Common Prayer.*

## The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*Please stand or kneel as able*

**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.**

† 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 for

## The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## Welcome and Announcements



# The Holy Communion

On the fourth Sunday of each month, the children of the parish gather at the altar to experience the mystery and joy of Communion up close, so their Sunday School learning may come alive in their experience.

## Offertory Anthem

*Gratitude Changes Everything*

Mark Hayes

*Gratitude changes everything. A grateful heart makes all things new.*

*I give thanks in all things, knowing my good comes from you.*

*I am grateful for each new day of life. I am grateful that I can sing. I am grateful for friends and family, and every living thing.*

*I am grateful for the kiss of the wind on my cheek, for the sunlight on my face.*

*I am grateful to know how it feels to be loved, and God's amazing grace!*

*Gratitude changes everything...*

*I give thanks. I am changed.*

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

## Offertory Hymn

### I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Traditional

I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
 The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 Tho' none go with me, still I will fol - low, tho' none go with me, still I will  
 5 Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low  
 Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus, no turn - ing back, — no turn - ing back.  
 fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me, no turn - ing back, — no turn - ing back.  
 fol - low, tho' none go with me, still I will fol - low, no turn - ing back, — no turn - ing back.  
 Je - sus? Will you de - cid - e now to fol - low Je - sus? No turn - ing back, — no turn - ing back.

Please continue STANDING, as able, for

## The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant God, through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer. They will become for us spiritual food.

**People We bless God forever.**

Celebrant God, receive our gifts for the work of your Church.

**People We Bless God forever.**

Celebrant God, you have blessed us with the joy of children and families and members of all ages. We thank you that they are with us, surrounding your table.

**People We bless God forever.**



Remain standing for  
The Great Thanksgiving



Celebrant God is here.

**People We praise God together.**

Celebrant Let us say thank you to God

**People God has done so much for us.**

Celebrant O God, you made all things, and you blessed them.

**People You gave us the earth to feed us, the sky to open our hearts, the water for us to drink. You blessed all those who came before us, and you bless us, also.**

Celebrant When it was time, you sent angels to Mary and Joseph to tell them about having a child, whom they would call Jesus. Jesus would be the Savior of the world. And so we praise you with all the angels as we sing:

Sanctus

LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are  
6 full of your glo-ry, Ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes, in the name of the  
12 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

LAND OF REST American Folk Tune, Arrangement by Annabel Buchanan (1889-1983)Worship, Love , & Praise #859

Please STAND or kneel, as you are able, or feel most comfortable.

Celebrant God, you made us, and the world and everything in it.

*Microphone is passed by Deacon to a Family*

**Family** All the good we see comes from you.  
You have always loved us  
but people have not always loved you.  
You sent Jesus to show us how to live  
and to bring us back to you again.

**People Amen. We are alive in Jesus.**

*Microphone is passed by Deacon to a Family*

**Family** He died for us on the cross  
so that through your Spirit  
we can all be your people.  
And so with thanks we praise you.

**People Amen. We are alive in Jesus.**

Celebrant We are here because on the night before he died  
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.  
There he took some bread  
and gave thanks to you, God.  
He broke it into pieces, and gave it to them.  
"This is my body," he said.

**People Do this, and know that I am with you.**



Celebrant Later, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you.  
He shared it with them, and said  
"This is my blood, which brings new life.

**People** **Do this, and know that I am with you."**

Celebrant We remember what Jesus has done for us:

**People** **Jesus died, then was raised to new life by you, and is alive forever,  
We are glad to share that life and live in him.  
Amen. We are alive in Jesus.**

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and wine can be for us the body and blood of Jesus,  
and through this food give us strength to live as your people.

**People** **Amen. We are alive in Jesus.**

Celebrant Help us care for your world and for each other in the way that Jesus showed us.

*Microphone is passed by Deacon to a Family*

**Family** Help us to love God, love others, serve the world,  
Until he comes again,  
with all your people in every time and every land.

Celebrant We worship you and say:

**People** **We praise you.  
We thank you.  
We bless you.  
Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

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

### Fraction Anthem

#### "Whoever Comes to Me"

*Carl Haywood*

Who - ev - er comes to me shall not hun - ger, and  
5 who - ev - er be - lieves in me shall nev - er thirst.

## The Communion of the People

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread\* in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive or are not yet baptized, 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 to be served in your seat.*

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 someone will be available to pray with you.

*\*Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

Communion Music

Jesus Loves Me

arr. Joel Raney

We are all God's children, we are one in God's love. Jesus loves me, this I know. Everyone's a child of God.
Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes! Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.
Jesus loves me, he who died heaven's gate to open wide; he will wash away my sin, let his precious child come in.
Yes! Jesus loves me...

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of all Life, we have seen with our own eyes and touched with our own hands the Bread of Life, this precious gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you, in love for one another, and in love for all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant May the peace of Christ which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.



Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Recessional Hymn

I've Got the Joy Down In My Heart

Traditional

Musical score for 'I've Got the Joy Down In My Heart' with lyrics: I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?) I've got the love of Je - sus, love of Je - sus down in my heart (where?) I've got the peace that pass - es un - der - stand - ing down in my heart (where?) I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart, I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart, I've got the love of Je - sus, love of Je - sus Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart, I've got the peace that pass - es un - der - stand - ing Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart, I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart to stay! Down in my heart to stay! Down in my heart to stay! Down in my heart to stay!

The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

All Creatures of Our God and King

Arr. Larry Shackley