



Welcome to St. Francis Church

We are happy to welcome you! Masks are strongly encouraged for all, and required for unvaccinated persons while indoors. We recommend properly fitting medical-type (not cloth) or K/N95 masks. We also recommend that masks be worn while entering and exiting the church, singing, and during the distribution of communion. Please take advantage of our online worship to stay home if you are feeling unwell in any way.

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Susie and Albert Zimmerman, and in thanksgiving for all the fathers, uncles, brothers, and friends in our lives; we are truly blessed! Also in thanksgiving for Zoey Welcher, who will be baptized today.

Celebrant/Preacher:The Rev. Jerry Sather
 Deacon:The Rev. Celeste Stump

Prelude: *Give Me Jesus*.....*arr. Moses Hogan*

Processional Hymn—*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*.....**Hymn #493, vv. 1-6**

O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and
 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new
 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your
 Glo - ry to God and praise and love be

3
 dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim and spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive, the mourn - ful bro - ken
 loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold, your
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

6
 God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

The Opening Acclamation.....Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

(this and all similar page refs. refer to Book of Common Prayer—the red book in the pew rack in front of you)

The Gloria p. 324

The Collect of the Day p. 178

The First Lesson Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"
to a nation that did not call on my name.

I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious
people,

who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;

a people who provoke me
to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;

who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;

who eat swine's flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

who say, "Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all day long.

See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps
their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities
together,

says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the mountains
and reviled me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps
full payment for their actions.

Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, "Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it,"

so I will do for my servants' sake,
and not destroy them all.

I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;

my chosen shall inherit it,
and my servants shall settle there.

The Response: Psalm 22:18-27, *Deus, Deus meus* p. 611

The Second Lesson.....Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Holy GospelLuke 8:26-39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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<i>The clergy will carry the Sacrament to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward for Holy Communion. Please inform one of the ushers if you would like to be served at your seat. 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.</i>	
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Welcome!

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.

With blessings and peace from the community of St Francis Church.

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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 Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble:

Andrea, Amy Clute, Matthew, Pauline Duley, Daniel, Ceri Falk, Colette Furbush, Terry Gillette, Frances Hailwood, Sally Hill, Joel Jr., Yone Kawahara, Anna and Gabriel Alan Kurth, Mick Mohuchy, Anne Marie and Greg Morris, Marjorie Morris, Bruce Shaefer, Stephen, Christa and Marita, that they may know your healing power.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Closing Hymn: Lift Every Voice and SingHymn #599, vv. 1-3

Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and hea - ven
 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening
 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent
 ring, ring with the har - mon - ies of lib - er - ty. Let our re -
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast
 joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening skies; let it re -
 stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet come to the
 by thy might led us in - to the light; keep us for
 sound loud as the roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the
 place for which our fa - thers sighed? We have come ov - er a
 ev - er in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the
 faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the
 way that with tears has been wat - ered; we have come, tread - ing our
 pla - ces, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the
 hope that the pre - sent has brought us; fac - ing the ri - sing
 path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y
 wine of the world we for - get thee; sha - dowed be - neath thy
 sun of our new day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to -
 past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright
 hand may we for ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our
 ry is won.
 star is cast.
 na - tive land.

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Postlude: Joyful, Joyful Beethoven/arr. Mervyn Warre

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