



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.

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. To arrange, please contact Claire in the Church Office: 310-375-4617 or Claire.erbeznik@stfrancispalosverdes.org.

Presider/Preacher:.....Femi Gonsalves Knight
 Prelude: Adoration Florence Price
 Processional Hymn—Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise Hymn #423, v. 1-4

Im - mor - tal, in - vi - si - ble, God on - ly wise, in
 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, nor
 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small; in
 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light, thine

5
 light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes, most bles - sed, most
 want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might; thy jus - tice, like
 all life thou liv - est, the true life of all; we blos - som and
 an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight; all laud we would

10
 glo - rious, the An - cient of Days, al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy
 moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove thy clouds, which are foun - tains of
 flour - ish, like leaves on the tree, then with - er and per - ish, but
 ren - der; O help us to see 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of

15
 great good - ness we praise.
 nought chan - geth thee.
 light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908). Music: "St. Denio," Welsh hymn, from "Caniadau y Cyssegr," 1839, adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. "The English Hymnal;" 1906.

The Opening Acclamation.....Book of Common Prayer, p. 323
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The Gloria p. 324

The Collect of the Day p. 179

The First LessonGenesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The Response: Psalm 15, *Domine, quis habitabit?* p. 599

The Second Lesson..... Colossians 1:15-28

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The Holy Gospel Luke 10:38-42

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Sermon Femi Gonsalves Knight

The Nicene Creed p. 327

The Prayers of the People p. 328

The Lord's Prayer p. 336

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Closing Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing (Ash Grove)

7 Sent forth by God's bless-ing our true faith con-fess-ing, the peo-ple of— God from this
With praise and thanks-giv-ing to God ev-er— liv-ing, the tasks of our ev-ery-day

14 dwell-ing take leave. The ser-vice is— end-ed, O now be ex-tend-ed the fruits of our—
life we will face. Our faith ev-er shar-ing, in love ev-er car-ing, em-brac-ing God's

19 wor-ship in all who be-lieve. The seed of— the teach-ing, re-
chil-dren of each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with

24 cep-tive souls reach-ing, shall blos-som in— ac-tion for God and for
your light now lead us; u-nite us— as— one in this life that we

29 all. God's grace did in-vite us, and love shall u-nite us to
share. Then may all the— liv-ing with praise and— thanks-giv-ing give

work for— God's king-dom and an-swer the call.
hon-or— to— Christ and that name which we bear.

Words by Omar Westendorf, 1964 (Ash Grove) Welsh folk tune

Postlude: The Sunbeams.....They Scatter Yiruma

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, Daniel Drayling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, Colette Furbush, Terry Gilette, Frances Hailwood, Sally Hill, Mick Mohuchy, Marjorie Morris, Anne Marie Morris, Greg Morris, Mike Morris, Bruce Schaefer, Stephen, and Marita Spalding.

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



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